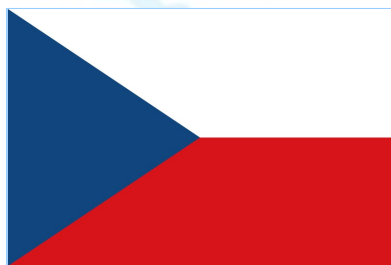


PROTECTION OF RIGHTFUL INTEREST IN THE EU BASIC - TERMS



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Accreditation

- Procedure initiated upon request from a physical or legal entity, which invokes requirement for certification of the competency for performance of product tests, gauge calibration and certification or another similar technical activity within a limited scope

Authorized person

- assures the activities within the scope defined in resolution for authorisation
- follows technical regulations to conduct objective findings with performance of professional efforts corresponding to the current state of the art
- complies with the legal regulation and follows technical findings to issue certificates of other documents the validity of which he can restrict or suspend

Authorization

- Authorization of a legal entity for activity leading to assessment of conformity of products, authorization in accordance with the Act No. 22/1997 Coll. on requirements for technical product specification b, awarded to a limited scope by the Institute for Standardisation, Metrology and State Testing.

Safe product

- A product posing no threat or a product posing a minimum threat only with respect to the following:
 - properties of the very product
 - impact on other products
 - demonstration method
 - user category
- A product is shall be considered safe, when compliant to the following requirements:
 - special regulation
 - if there are no such regulations, then the requirements implied by Czech standards shall apply, or a product compliant with the state of the art valid at the time of product market launch

Standard

- A document, which
 - has been issued pursuant to consent
 - has been approved by acknowledged authority
 - has been intended for general and repeated use
 - contains rules or attributes for activities and their results
 - focuses on achievement of the optimum level of arrangement
 - has been based on common results of science, technical activity and practical experience

Standardization

- Activity leading to optimisation of arrangement of the technical issues

Czech technical standard

- A document approved by an authorised legal entity in the Czech Republic (Czech Standardisation Institute) and for repeated or permanent use labelled with the ČSN mark, the validity of which was announced in the Bulletin of the Institute for Technical Standardisation, Metrology and State Testing (hereinafter referred to as the “Institute Bulletin”); the Czech technical standard is not generally binding

European standard

- A standard issued by the European Standardisation Organisation (CEN/CENELEC)

Harmonised standard

- Technical standard, which fully accepted the requirements stipulated within the European standard or the harmonisation document acknowledged by authorities from the European Community as a harmonized European standard or an European standard, which has been identified a harmonized European standard in accordance with the law of European Communities by means of common agreement between notified parties

Distributor

- An entity acting within the supplier chain conducting a subsequent trade activity related to the launch of product on the market

Importer

- An entity launching a product on the market, whereas such products comes from other than EU country or agency activities related to such product

Government order

- A technical regulation, which is usually used to implement technical EU regulations into the legal order in Czech Republic to amend the following
 - identification of selected products
 - technical requirements pertaining to products
 - conformity assessment procedures

Instruction for use

- the part of technical documentation containing necessary product data and instructions related to its safe launch, utilisation, maintenance, renovation and liquidation

Notification

- Notifying authorities, which poses the competency to award selected entities with competency – so called notifications – enabling to conduct conformity assessment activities. The act of authorisation has the notifying authority assess, whether the notified entity is technically able to carry out relevant procedures of conformity assessment.

Notified Body

- A legal entity, whom an EU member country reports to authorities of the European Community and all the EU member states as the entity authorised by an EU member state to carry out activities related to product conformity assessment with respect to technical requirements.

Rightful interest

- An interest of the society regarding protection of health and personal safety, assets, environment or any other public concerns

CE Labelling

- Labelling to show that the product complies with technical requirements stipulated in all the statutory orders related thereto and which define or enable this labelling, and that the assessment of its conformity as conducted in compliance with the defined procedure

Conformity assessment

- An activity, whereas various procedures (the so called modules) are used to verify conformity with technical requirements pertaining to selected products contained in the legislation to amend the launch of such products on the market or operation

Legal regulation

- A regulation published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic or in the Collection of International Treaties of the Czech Republic (laws, Decrees by central authorities of public administration issued pursuant to authorisation stipulated in laws, international treaties)

Declaration of Conformity

- A document, which is issued in connection with assessment of conformity by the manufacturer, an authorised representative or an importer, containing assurance that the products either complies with basic requirements stipulated in relevant directives or that the product conforms to the type, which was issued with a certificate of type re-testing, and that the product conforms to basic requirements of particular directives

Selected product

- A product, which represents a higher threat to the rightful interest and which therefore needs to be assessed for conformity of its properties with requirements implied by technical regulations
- Identified products include also such products, which are launched on the market as used or refurbished.

State testing activities

- A set of activities conducted by the Institute and legal or physical entities authorised in accordance with the Act No. 22/1997 Coll., whose aim is to assure assessment of conformity on products stipulated in this law and in accordance with requirements in technical regulation.

Technical documentation

- A set of documents (technical specification, calculations, test reports, certificates, descriptions of control systems, operation manuals, maintenance instructions, etc.), containing information, which prove the conformity of the product with relevant requirements; the requirements for contents of technical documentation are usually stipulated in directives and harmonised standards

Technical product requirements

- Technical specification contained in a legal regulations,. Technical document or a technical standard, which stipulates required characteristics pertaining to the product as the level of quality, end-use properties, safety and dimensions, including requirement for its name, under which the product is sold, amendment of naming, symbols, product testing and testing method, packaging requirements, product labelling or plate installation, procedures for assessment of product conformity with legal regulations or technical standards, production methods and processes product characteristics

Technical product requirements

- Other requirements necessary owing to protection of the rightful interest or consumer protection, which relate to product life cycle after its launch on the market or into operation (e.g. conditions of use, recycling, re-use or disposal of the product), if such conditions have significant impact on composition or the nature of product or its launch on the market or into operation

Technical regulation

- A legal regulation containing technical requirements related to products including rules for services or amending obligations related to the launch of product on the market or into operation, during its use or provision or establishment of service or banning the production, import, sale or utilisation of a certain product or the utilisation, provision or establishment of a certain service

Third party

- A person or an authority acknowledged as an independent entity related to the issue of conformity assessment

Third party country

- A third party country is the country beyond the territory of European Communities

Launch into operation

- The launch into operation is the moment, when the product was first used by a user in EU countries to suit the purpose, for which it has been designed; if stated so in a statutory order, the product is considered launched into operation at the moment, when it is ready or provided for such use; if the product has been launched into operation at the workplace, the user defined herein is the employer

Placing of the product on market

- The moment, when a product has been introduced to the EC market for the first time and handed over against payment or free of charge or offered for either such handover to be distributed or utilised or the moment of first cession of property rights pertaining to such product, unless otherwise stated by the law. Products shall be considered launched on the market even if produced or imported for operation purposes during the very business activity run by manufacturers or importers and products provided for repeated use, if their conformity with legal regulations has been assessed prior to use, if implied so by a statutory order. Should it be necessary, the statutory order shall specify the term “launch on market” for those products amended by this technical regulation.

Product user

- The entity, who uses the products for the purpose compliant to its design, if such product has been launched into operation at a workplace, the user defined herein shall be the employer

Manufacturer

- The person, who produces or has designed the product, and, in cases defined by the law, the person, who performs the assembly, packing, processing or labelling the product conformant in accordance with the said law and which the

Product

- A product is defined as any item manufactured, yielded or otherwise obtained regardless of the level of finishing and the item is intended to be launched on the market as new or used

Authorised representative

- A person residing in an EU member country, who holds the written authorisation from manufacturer to act on his behalf with respect to requirements implied to the manufacturer by law

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