



## CE Marking and the Construction Products Regulation

Now the UK has left the EU, the requirements for placing work equipment and machinery on the UK and EU markets, including arrangements for conformity assessment, marking and labelling have changed.

CE marked workplace products will be accepted in the UK until January 1st 2022. This includes workplace goods which have been assessed by an EU-recognised notified body.

The UK Conformity Assessed (UKCA) mark is the new UK product mark for workplace products and other goods; as from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 UKCA marking began to replace CE marking for goods being placed on the UK market; from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 the UKCA mark must be used on all workplace goods products.

Up until 31 December 2022 the UKCA mark can be placed directly on the product or on an accompanying document. From January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 the UKCA mark must be placed directly on the product.

When a product is placed on the UK market, it is mandatory for manufacturers to draw up a declaration of performance and apply the UKCA mark to any of their construction products that are covered by a designated standard (approved by Secretary of State and published by BSI); or conform to a UK technical assessment (UKTA) that has been issued for them.

Distributors in the EU who bring products in from the EU to the GB market will, in most cases, now be classified as 'importers', bringing in products to the GB from a third country. This change will bring new obligations such as: a requirement for importers to label their products with their name and address • ensuring that the assessment and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP) requirements has been carried out by the manufacturer • the product must bear the conformity marking • ensuring that the manufacturer has complied with their labelling obligations.

Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 defines a construction product as "any product or kit which is produced and placed on the market for incorporation in a permanent manner in construction works or parts thereof and the performance of which has an effect on the performance of the construction works with respect to the basic requirements for construction works". This definition will remain the same when the transition period ends in January 2022. Any construction product being placed on the GB market until the end of 2021, can show an accepted marking or the combination of markings: UKCA or CE or CE & UK(NI). As of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 the transition period ends and any construction products placed on the GB market should show the marking: UKCA.

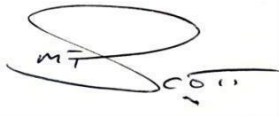
As a business, Compressed Air Solutions does not manufacture goods for end users. The scope of the business is the design, supply, installation and service of compressed air equipment and systems. The company use construction products in their operational activities.

As both a user and supplier of construction products, including personal protective equipment, Compressed Air Solutions will continue to purchase goods, lawfully marked with the CE mark and placed on the EU market before the end of the transition period, whether they are in the UK or the EU, providing that they are covered by a harmonised European standard, which is the same as a UK designated standard; are affixed with CE marking; are accompanied by a manufacturer's declaration of

performance; have been assessed by an EU-recognised notified body, where third party assessment is required. Under the terms of the Withdrawal Agreement, goods lawfully marked with the CE mark and placed on the EU market before the end of the transition period can continue to circulate until they reach their end user, whether they are in the UK or the EU.

Following the end of the transition period, checks will be carried out on goods received to ensure products that are to be used directly by Compressed Air Solutions or supplied to our customers, bear the UKCA markings.

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis and made available to all interested parties.

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Managing Director

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021