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Personal protective equipment

Proposal for a regulation (COM(2014)0186 – C7-0110/2014 – 2014/0108(COD))

Amendment 1

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3a) This Regulation covers PPE which is new to the Union market when it is placed on the market; that is to say it is either new PPE made by a manufacturer established in the Union or products, whether new or second-hand, imported from a third country.

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3b) This Regulation should apply to all forms of supply, including distance selling.

Proposal for a regulation Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁶ lays down *horizontal provisions* on the accreditation of conformity assessment bodies *and on* the CE marking.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁷ provides common principles and reference provisions for the purposes of legislation based on the New Approach principles. In order to ensure consistency with other sectoral product legislation, it is appropriate to align certain provisions of this Regulation to that Decision, in so far as sectoral specificities do not require a different solution. Therefore, certain definitions, the general obligations of economic operators, the presumption of conformity, EU declaration of conformity, rules on CE marking, requirements for conformity assessment bodies and notification procedures, the conformity assessment procedures and the provisions

Amendment

(5) Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁶ lays down *rules* on the accreditation of conformity assessment bodies, *provides a framework for the market surveillance of products and for controls on products from third countries, and lays down the general principles of the CE marking.*

Amendment

(6) Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹lays down common principles and reference provisions *intended to apply* across sectoral legislation. In order to ensure consistency with other sectoral product legislation, it is appropriate to align certain provisions of this Regulation to that Decision, in so far as sectoral specificities do not require a different solution. Therefore, certain definitions, the general obligations of economic operators, the presumption of conformity, EU declaration of conformity, rules on CE marking, requirements for conformity assessment bodies and notification procedures, the conformity assessment procedures and the provisions concerning

¹⁶ Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products (OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 30).

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concerning procedures to deal with products presenting a risk should be aligned to that Decision.

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¹⁷ Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on a common framework for the marketing of products, and repealing Council Decision 93/465/EEC(OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 82).

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Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation Recital 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) Regulation (EU) No xx/xxxx of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁸ provides detailed rules on market surveillance and on controls of harmonised products, including PPE, entering the Union from third countries. In accordance with that Regulation, Member States are to organise and carry out market surveillance, to appoint market surveillance authorities, to specify their powers and duties, and to set up general and sector-specific market surveillance programmes. That Regulation also sets out a safeguard clause procedure.

Amendment

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¹⁷ Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on a common framework for the marketing of products, and repealing Council Decision 93/465/EEC(OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 82).

¹⁸ [Regulation (COM/2013/075 final - 2013/0048 (COD)) on market surveillance of products and amending Council Directives 89/686/EEC and 93/15/EEC, and Directives 94/9/EC, 94/25/EC, 95/16/EC, 97/23/EC, 1999/5/EC, 2000/9/EC, 2000/14/EC, 2001/95/EC, 2004/108/EC, 2006/42/EC, 2009/48/EC, 2007/23/EC, 2008/57/EC, 2009/48/EC, 2009/105/EC, 2009/142/EC, 2011/65/EU, Regulation (EU) No 305/2011, Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament

and of the Council (OJ L XXXX)].

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) Some products on the market that provide a protective function to the user are excluded from the scope of Directive 89/686/EEC. In order to ensure as high level of protection for the user of those products as for the PPE covered by Directive 89/686/EEC, the scope of this **Regulation should include PPE** for private use against damp, water and heat (e.g. dish-washing gloves, oven gloves), in line with similar PPE for professional use which is already covered by Directive 89/686/EEC. Artisanal products, such as handmade gloves, for which the manufacturer does not explicitly claim a protective function are not personal protective equipment; they are therefore not concerned by this inclusion. It is also appropriate to clarify the exclusion list set out in Annex I to Directive 89/686/EEC by adding a reference to products covered by other legislation and therefore are excluded from the PPE Regulation.

Amendment

(9) Some products on the market that provide a protective function to the user are excluded from the scope of Directive 89/686/EEC. Artisanal or decorative products for which the manufacturer does not explicitly claim a protective function are not personal protective equipment; they should therefore not be covered by this Regulation. In order to ensure a high level of protection, the scope of this Regulation should include products which are explicitly described and marketed accordingly by their manufacturers for private use to protect against heat. In the case of products intended for private use to protect against atmospheric conditions that are not of an extreme nature or to protect against damp and water, including but not limited to seasonal clothing, umbrellas and dishwashing gloves, these should be outside of the scope of this **Regulation.** It is also appropriate to clarify the exclusion list set out in Annex I to Directive 89/686/EEC by adding a reference to products covered by other legislation and therefore are excluded from the PPE Regulation.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(10a) During field demonstrations and field tests, adequate measures should be taken to ensure the protection of persons.

Field tests should not be designed to test the protection performance of the PPE but to evaluate other non-protective aspects such as comfort, ergonomics and design. All concerned parties, for instance the employer as well as the wearer or the consumer, should be informed in advance concerning the scope and purpose of the test.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) Economic operators should be responsible for the compliance of *products*, in relation to their respective roles in the supply chain, so as to ensure a high level of protection of public interests, such as health and safety, and the protection of users and to guarantee fair competition on the Union market.

Amendment

(11) Economic operators should be responsible for the compliance of *the PPE*, in relation to their respective roles in the supply chain, so as to ensure a high level of protection of public interests, such as health and safety, and the protection of users *and*, *where appropriate*, *other persons*, and to guarantee fair competition on the Union market.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) All economic operators intervening in the supply and distribution chain should take appropriate measures to ensure that *PPE protects the health and safety of persons and that* they make available on the market only *products* which *comply* with this Regulation. This Regulation should provide a clear and proportionate distribution of obligations which correspond to the role of each operator in the supply and distribution chain.

Amendment

(12) All economic operators intervening in the supply and distribution chain should take appropriate measures to ensure that they make available on the market only *PPE* which *is in conformity* with this Regulation. This Regulation should provide a clear and proportionate distribution of obligations which correspond to the role of each *economic* operator in the supply and distribution chain.

Proposal for a regulation Recital 12 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(12a) In order to facilitate communication between economic operators, market surveillance authorities and consumers, Member States should encourage economic operators to include a website address in addition to the postal address.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) It is necessary to ensure that PPE entering the Union market complies with this Regulation and, in particular, that appropriate assessment procedures have been carried out by manufacturers. Provision should therefore be made for importers to make sure that the PPE they place on the market complies with the requirements of this Regulation and that they do not place on the market PPE which does not comply with such requirements or which present a risk. Provision should also be made for importers to make sure that the conformity assessment procedures have been carried out and that the CE marking and technical documentation drawn up by manufacturers are available for inspection by the market surveillance authorities.

Amendment

(14) It is necessary to ensure that PPE entering the Union market complies with this Regulation and, in particular, that appropriate *conformity* assessment procedures have been carried out by manufacturers. Provision should therefore be made to the effect that importers shall place on the market only PPE which complies with the requirements of this Regulation and *does not* present a risk. Provision should also be made for importers to make sure that the conformity assessment procedures have been carried out and that the CE marking and technical documentation drawn up by manufacturers are available for inspection by the market surveillance authorities.

Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) When placing PPE on the market, importers should indicate on the *product* their name and the address at which they can be contacted. Exceptions should be provided for in cases where the size or nature of the PPE does not allow for *such an indication*. This includes cases where the importer would have to open the packaging to put his name and address on the *product*.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(16) When placing PPE on the market, importers should indicate on the *PPE* their name, *registered name or trademark* and the *postal* address at which they can be contacted. Exceptions should be provided for in cases where the size or nature of the PPE does not allow for *it*. This includes cases where the importer would have to open the packaging to put his name and address on the *PPE*.

Amendment

(16a) Efforts should be made by economic operators to ensure that all relevant documentation, such as the user's instructions, whilst ensuring precise and comprehensible information, are easily understandable, take into account technological developments and changes to end-user behaviour, and are as up to date as possible.

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation Recital 19

Text proposed by the Commission

(19) Ensuring traceability of PPE throughout the supply chain helps to make market surveillance simpler and more efficient. An efficient traceability system facilitates the market surveillance authorities' task of tracing economic operators who made non-compliant product available on the market.

Amendment

(19) Ensuring traceability of PPE throughout the *whole* supply chain helps to make market surveillance simpler and more efficient. An efficient traceability system facilitates the market surveillance authorities' task of tracing economic operators who made non-compliant product available on the market. *When keeping the information required under*

this Regulation for the identification of other economic operators, economic operators should not be required to update such information in respect of other economic operators who have either supplied them with PPE or to whom they have supplied PPE unless such updated information has been supplied to them.

Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(20a) 'Field test' means a trial period by the user of non-compliant PPE, before it is placed on market and for which all the necessary information of tests carried out by accredited or authorised laboratories is available in the technical file to ensure the protection of the user and meets the applicable requirements in Annex II, is made available in a very limited number for a limited time and whose principal purpose is to undertake a final evaluation of its non-protection characteristics.

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) It is necessary to clearly specify the relationship and scope of this Regulation with the entitlement of Member States to lay down requirements for the use of PPE at workplace, in particular pursuant to Council Directive 89/656/EEC¹⁹, in order to avoid any confusion and ambiguity and hence ensure the free movement of compliant PPE.

Amendment

(21) It is necessary to clearly specify the relationship and scope of this Regulation with the entitlement of Member States to lay down requirements for the use of PPE at workplace, in particular pursuant to Council Directive 89/656/EEC¹⁹, in order to avoid any confusion and ambiguity and hence ensure the free movement of compliant PPE. Article 4 of that Directive obliges employers to provide PPE which complies with the relevant Union

provisions on design and manufacture with respect to safety and health.
Pursuant to that Article, manufacturers of PPE who provide that PPE to their employees must ensure that such PPE fulfils the requirements laid down in this Regulation.

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation Recital 22

Text proposed by the Commission

(22) The requirement in other internal market legislation to supply an EU declaration of conformity with the equipment has been found to facilitate and to enhance the efficiency of market surveillance and should therefore also be introduced into this Regulation. It should be possible to provide a simplified EU declaration of conformity in order to reduce the burden associated with this requirement without reduction of its effectiveness. Both possibilities should therefore be provided for in this Regulation.

Amendment

(22) Market surveillance authorities should have easy access to the declaration of conformity. In order to fulfil that requirement, manufacturers should ensure PPE is accompanied either by a full copy of the declaration of conformity or the internet address where the EU declaration of conformity can be accessed. Alternatively, the manufacturer should be able to choose to provide a simplified declaration of conformity.

Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation Recital 22 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(22a) To ensure effective access to information for market surveillance

¹⁹ Council Directive 89/656/EEC of 30 November 1989 on the minimum health and safety requirements for the use by workers of personal protective equipment at the workplace (OJ L 393, 30.12.1989, p. 18).

¹⁹ Council Directive 89/656/EEC of 30 November 1989 on the minimum health and safety requirements for the use by workers of personal protective equipment at the workplace (OJ L 393, 30.12.1989, p. 18).

purposes, in cases where PPE is covered by one or more Union harmonisation legal acts the information required to identify all applicable Union acts should be available in a single EU declaration of conformity. In order to reduce the administrative burden on economic operators, it should be possible for that single EU declaration of conformity to be a dossier made up of relevant individual declarations of conformity.

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

(24) In order to ensure that PPE is examined on the basis of the state of the art the limit of validity of the EU type-examination certificate should set to a maximum of five years. A process for reviewing the certificate should be provided for. A minimum content of the certificate should be required in order to facilitate the work of the market surveillance authorities.

Amendment

(24) PPE should be examined on the basis of the state of the art. The maximum period of validity of the EU type-examination certificate should be five years and a process for reviewing the certificate should be provided for. Following a positive review, a renewed certificate may continue to be valid for further periods, each of which should be for a maximum of five years. A minimum content of the certificate should be required in order to facilitate the work of the market surveillance authorities.

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24a) A simplified procedure should be applied for re-certification of the EU-type examination certificate when the product, applied harmonised standards or other technical solutions applied by the manufacturer have not been changed and continue to meet the essential health and

safety requirements in the light of the state of the art, making additional tests or technical examinations unnecessary and thereby keeping the administrative burden and related costs to a minimum.

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24b) The withdrawal of a harmonised standard should not invalidate existing certificates issued by notified bodies; it only concerns the conformity that is conferred onto new conformity assessments that follow the new harmonised standard. Products produced in accordance with the existing certificate should still benefit from the continuing conformity with the essential requirements and it should continue to be possible to place them on the market until the end of the validity of the relevant certificates issued by notified bodies.

Justification

To avoid legal uncertainty regarding cases where the harmonized standard on the certificate has been replaced by a revised version, this text has been added to the text from the Commission's 'Blue Guide' on the implementation of EU product rules.

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) In order to ensure compliance with the essential safety requirements, it is necessary to lay down appropriate conformity assessment procedures to be followed by the manufacturer. Directive 89/686/EEC classifies PPE into three categories that are subject to different

Amendment

(28) In order to ensure compliance with the essential *health and* safety requirements *laid down in this Regulation*, it is necessary to lay down appropriate conformity assessment procedures to be followed by the manufacturer. Directive 89/686/EEC classifies PPE into three

conformity assessment procedures. In order to ensure a consistently high level of safety for all PPE, the list of products subject to one of the conformity assessment procedures relating to the production phase should be enlarged. The conformity assessment procedures for each category of PPE should be set, as far as possible, on the basis of the conformity assessment modules laid down in Decision No 768/2008/EC.

categories that are subject to different conformity assessment procedures. In order to ensure a consistently high level of safety for all PPE, the list of products subject to one of the conformity assessment procedures relating to the production phase should be enlarged. The conformity assessment procedures for each category of PPE should be set, as far as possible, on the basis of the conformity assessment modules laid down in Decision No 768/2008/EC.

Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Recital 29 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(29a) If a conformity assessment body demonstrates conformity with the criteria laid down in harmonised standards it should be presumed to comply with the corresponding requirements set out in this Regulation.

Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30a) The system set out in this Regulation should be complemented by the accreditation system provided for in Regulation (EC) No 765/2008. Since accreditation is an essential means of verifying the competence of conformity assessment bodies, it should also be used for the purposes of notification.

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30b) Transparent accreditation as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 765/2008, ensuring the necessary level of confidence in conformity certificates, should be considered by the national public authorities throughout the Union as the preferred means of demonstrating the technical competence of conformity assessment bodies. However, national authorities may consider that they possess the appropriate means of carrying out that evaluation themselves. In such cases, in order to ensure the appropriate level of credibility of evaluations carried out by other national authorities, they should provide the Commission and the other Member States with the necessary documentary evidence demonstrating the compliance of the conformity assessment bodies evaluated with the relevant regulatory requirements.

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30c) Conformity assessment bodies frequently subcontract parts of their activities linked to the assessment of conformity or have recourse to a subsidiary. In order to safeguard the level of protection required for the PPE to be placed on the market, it is essential that conformity assessment subcontractors and subsidiaries fulfil the same requirements as notified bodies in relation to the performance of conformity assessment tasks. Therefore, it is important that the assessment of the competence and the

performance of bodies to be notified and the monitoring of bodies already notified cover also activities carried out by subcontractors and subsidiaries.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30d) Since notified bodies may offer their services throughout the Union, it is appropriate to give the other Member States and the Commission the opportunity to raise objections concerning a notified body. It is therefore important to provide for a period during which any doubts or concerns as to the competence of conformity assessment bodies can be clarified before they start operating as notified bodies.

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 e (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30e) In the interests of competitiveness, it is crucial that notified bodies apply the conformity assessment procedures without creating unnecessary burdens for economic operators. For the same reason, and to ensure equal treatment of economic operators, consistency in the technical application of the conformity assessment procedures needs to be ensured. That can best be achieved through appropriate coordination and cooperation between notified bodies.

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 f (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30f) Member States should take all appropriate measures to ensure that products covered by this Regulation may be placed on the market only if, when properly stored and used for their intended purpose, or under conditions of use which can be reasonably foreseen, they do not endanger the health and or safety of users or, where applicable, of other persons. Products covered by this Regulation should be considered as noncompliant with the essential health and safety requirements laid down in this Regulation only under conditions of use which can be reasonably foreseen, that is when such use could result from lawful and readily predictable human behaviour.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 g (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30g) In order to ensure legal certainty, it is necessary to clarify that rules on Union market surveillance and control of products entering the Union market provided for in Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 apply to products covered by this Regulation. This Regulation should not prevent Member States from choosing the competent authorities to carry out those tasks.

Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 h (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30h) Directive 89/686/EC already provides for a safeguard procedure which is necessary to allow the possibility for contesting the conformity of a product. In order to increase transparency and to reduce processing time, it is necessary to improve the existing safeguard procedure, with a view to making it more efficient and drawing on the expertise available in Member States.

Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 i (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30i) The existing system should be supplemented by a procedure under which interested parties are informed of measures intended to be taken with regard to PPE presenting a risk to the health or safety of users or, where applicable, of other persons. It should also allow market surveillance authorities, in cooperation with the relevant economic operators, to act at an earlier stage in respect of such PPE.

Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 j (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30j) Where the Member States and the Commission agree as to the justification of a measure taken by a Member State, no further involvement of the Commission should be required, except where noncompliance can be attributed to shortcomings of a harmonised standard.

Proposal for a regulation Recital 32 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(32a) The Commission should adopt immediately applicable implementing acts where, in duly justified cases relating to compliant PPE which presents a risk to the health or safety of persons, imperative grounds of urgency so require.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation Article 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

This Regulation lays down requirements for the design and manufacture of personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to ensure the *health and safety* protection of users and rules on its free movement in the Union.

Amendment

This Regulation lays down requirements for the design and manufacture of personal protective equipment (PPE) *which is being made available on the market* in order to ensure the protection of users and rules on its free movement in the Union.

Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

This Regulation shall apply to personal protective equipment (PPE), as defined in Article 3.

Amendment

This Regulation shall apply to personal protective equipment (PPE), as defined in Article 3 and classified into the risk categories set out in Annex I.

Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) specifically designed for use by the armed forces or for the maintenance of law and order:

Amendment

(a) specifically designed for use by the armed forces or *in* the maintenance of law and order:

Amendment 38

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) *intended* to be used for self-defence;

Amendment

(b) designed to be used for self-defence, with the exception of PPE intended for sporting activities;

Amendment 39

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) intended for private use to protect against atmospheric conditions that are not of an extreme nature:

Amendment

- c) intended for private use to protect against:
- (i) atmospheric conditions that are not of an extreme nature:
- (ii) damp and water not of an extreme nature;
- (iii) heat, for which the economic operator does not explicitly describe and market the products as having a protective function;

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) for head, face or eye protection of

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users, subject to *the relevant Regulation* of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), *of two- or threewheeled* motor *vehicles*. users, subject to Regulation 22 of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), on uniform provisions concerning the approval of protective helmets and of their visors for drivers and passengers of motor cycles and mopeds;

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) in the form of clothing intended for private use, with reflective or fluorescent garments which are exclusively included for reasons of design or decoration, and for which the economic operator does not describe and market the products as having a protective function;

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point e b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(eb) designed and placed on the market as artisanal products which are decorative in nature.

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) equipment *intended* to be worn or held by a person for protection against one or more risks for his or her health or safety that is placed on the market separately or combined with personal non-protective equipment;

Amendment

(a) equipment *designed and manufactured* to be worn or held by a person for protection against one or more risks for his or her health or safety that is placed on the market separately or combined with personal non-protective equipment;

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) connexion systems for equipment referred to in point (a) that are not held or worn by a person, that are *intended* to connect that equipment to an external device or *structure*, *that are removable* and not intended to be permanently fixed to a structure;

Amendment

(c) connexion systems for equipment referred to in point (a) that are not held or worn by a person, but which are essential to the equipment's function, that are designed to connect that equipment to an external device or to a reliable anchorage point, that are not designed to be permanently fixed and that do not require fastening works before use;

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. 'individually adapted PPE' means PPE produced in series where each item is manufactured to fit an individual user;

Amendment

2. 'PPE type' means the series of PPE that is equal to the PPE described in the technical documentation and to the PPE subject to the EU type examination (in the case of category II or III);

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. 'placing on the market' means the first making available of *PPE* on the Union market;

Amendment

5. 'placing on the market' means the first making available of *the PPE type* on the Union market;

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 18 a (new) Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

18a. 'Union harmonisation legislation' means any Union legislation harmonising the conditions for the marketing of products;

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

20a. 'Demonstration' means any showing of PPE, not in a hazardous setting, for promotional purposes;

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 20 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

20b. 'Field test' means an event in which a non-certified PPE for which all the necessary test documents (tests carried out by accredited or authorised laboratories) supporting the technical file to ensure the protection of the wearer are available and met is made available in a very limited number to carry out a final evaluation. A field test is limited in time, with time and purpose defined and motivated before the start of the test and confirmed by the concerned parties;

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – title Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Free movement

Free movement, demonstrations and field tests

Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

At trade fairs, exhibitions, and demonstrations, Member States shall not prevent the showing of PPE which does not comply with this Regulation provided that a visible sign clearly indicates that the PPE does not comply with this Regulation and is not available on the market until it has been brought into conformity.

Amendment

At trade fairs, exhibitions, demonstrations or field tests, Member States shall not prevent the showing of PPE which does not comply with this Regulation and is not available on the market. Field tests shall not be designed to test the protection performance of the PPE, but to evaluate other non-protective aspects such as comfort, ergonomics and design.

Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

During demonstrations, adequate measures shall be taken to ensure the protection of persons.

Amendment

During demonstrations, *and field tests*, adequate measures shall be taken to ensure the protection of persons.

Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

PPE covered by this paragraph may be displayed or field tested provided that a visible sign clearly indicates that the PPE does not comply with this Regulation.

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Manufacturers shall keep the technical documentation and the EU declaration of conformity for at least *10* years after the PPE has been placed on the market.

Amendment

3. Manufacturers shall keep the technical documentation and the EU declaration of conformity for at least *five* years after the PPE has been placed on the market.

Justification

The requirement for technical documentation to be kept for 10 years is excessive, particularly because the period of validity of the conformity certificate is only five years.

Amendment 55

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Manufacturers shall ensure that procedures are in place for series production to remain in conformity with this Regulation. Changes in the design or characteristics of the PPE and changes in the harmonised standards or in other technical specifications by reference to which the conformity of the PPE is declared shall be adequately taken into account.

Amendment

4. Manufacturers shall ensure that procedures are in place for series production to remain in conformity with this Regulation. When deemed appropriate with regard to the risks presented by PPE, manufacturers shall, to protect the health and safety of consumers and other end users, carry out sample testing of PPE made available on the market, investigate, and, if necessary, keep a register of complaints, of non-conforming PPE and PPE recalls, and shall keep distributors informed of any such monitoring.

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Manufacturers shall ensure that the PPE which they place on the market bears a

Amendment

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type, batch or serial number or other element allowing its identification or, where the size or nature of the PPE does not allow it, that the required information is provided on the packaging or a document accompanying the PPE. either a type, batch or serial number or other element allowing its identification or, where the size or nature of the PPE does not allow it, that the required information is provided on the packaging or a document accompanying the PPE.

Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Manufacturers shall indicate, on the PPE, their name, registered trade name or registered trade mark and the postal address at which they can be contacted or, where that is not possible, on its packaging or in a document accompanying the PPE. The address shall indicate a single point at which the manufacturer can be contacted. The contact details shall be in a language easily understood by end-users and market surveillance authorities.

Amendment

6. Manufacturers shall indicate, their name, registered trade name or registered trade mark, the postal *or e-mail* address at which they can be contacted *on the PPE*, its packaging or in a document accompanying the PPE. The address shall indicate a single point at which the manufacturer can be contacted. The contact details shall be in *the* language *or languages of the Member State in which the PPE is to be marketed*.

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Manufacturers shall ensure that *the* PPE is accompanied by the instructions set out in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by endusers, as determined by the Member State concerned.

Amendment

7. Manufacturers shall ensure that PPE is accompanied by the instructions set out in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by consumers and end-users, as determined by the Member State concerned in which the PPE is made available on the market. Such instructions, as well as any labelling, shall be clear, understandable and intelligible. Where PPE is available in packages containing multiple units, such instructions shall accompany each smallest commercially available unit.

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7a. Manufacturers shall ensure that performance as recorded during relevant technical tests to check the levels of classes of protection provided by the PPE is available electronically or upon request.

Amendment 60

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

8. Manufacturers shall ensure that the PPE is accompanied by a copy of the EU declaration of conformity referred to in Article (15)(2). Manufacturers may choose to fulfil this requirement by accompanying the PPE with the simplified EU declaration of conformity referred to in Article (15)(3). Where only the simplified EU declaration of conformity is provided, it shall *be immediately followed by* the exact internet address where the full text of the EU declaration of conformity can be obtained.

Amendment

8. Manufacturers shall ensure that the PPE is accompanied by a copy of the EU declaration of conformity referred to in Article (15)(2). Manufacturers may choose to fulfil this requirement by accompanying the PPE with the simplified EU declaration of conformity referred to in Article (15)(3) or include in the instructions and information the internet address where the EU declaration of conformity can be accessed. Where only the simplified EU declaration of conformity is provided, it shall contain the exact internet address where the full text of the EU declaration of conformity can be obtained.

Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

10. Manufacturers shall, further to a reasoned request from a competent national authority, provide it with all the information and documentation necessary to demonstrate the conformity of the PPE,

Amendment

10. Manufacturers shall, further to a reasoned request from a competent national authority, provide it with all the information and documentation necessary to demonstrate the conformity of the PPE,

in a language which can be easily understood by that authority. They shall cooperate with that authority, at its request, on any action taken to eliminate the risks posed by PPE which they have placed on the market.

in *paper or electronic form, in* a language which can be easily understood by that authority. They shall cooperate with that authority, at its request, on any action taken to eliminate the risks posed by PPE which they have placed on the market.

Amendment 62

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) keep the EU declaration of conformity and the technical documentation at the disposal of the national market surveillance authorities for at least 10 years after the PPE has been *placed* on the market;

Amendment

(a) keep the EU declaration of conformity and the technical documentation at the disposal of the national market surveillance authorities for at least 10 years after the PPE has been *made available* on the market;

Justification

If adopted, this change will be made throughout the text.

Amendment 63

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Importers shall indicate, on the PPE, their name, registered trade name or registered trade mark and the postal address at which they can be contacted, *or where that is not possible*, on its packaging or in a document accompanying the PPE. The contact details shall be in *a* language *easily understood by end-users and market surveillance authorities*.

Amendment

3. Importers shall indicate, on the PPE, their name, registered trade name or registered trade mark and the postal address at which they can be contacted on its packaging or in a document accompanying the PPE. The contact details shall be in *the official* language *or languages of the Member State(s) in which the PPE is to be marketed*.

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Importers shall ensure that *the* PPE is accompanied by the instructions *referred to* in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by consumers and other end-users, as determined by the Member State concerned.

Amendment 65

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. Importers shall ensure that PPE is accompanied by the instructions and safety information as set out in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by consumers and other endusers, as determined by the Member State concerned. Where PPE is available in packages containing multiple units, such instructions shall accompany each smallest commercially available unit.

Amendment

5a. When deemed appropriate with regard to the risks presented by PPE, importers shall, to protect the health and safety of consumers and other end-users, carry out sample testing of PPE made available on the market, investigate, and, if necessary, keep a register of complaints, of non-conforming PPE and PPE recalls, and shall keep distributors informed of any such monitoring.

Amendment 66

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Importers who consider or have reason to believe that PPE which they have placed on the market is not in conformity with this Regulation shall immediately take the corrective measures necessary to bring the

Amendment

6. Importers who consider or have reason to believe that PPE which they have placed on the market is not in conformity with this Regulation shall immediately take the corrective measures necessary to bring the

PPE into conformity, to withdraw it or to recall it, as appropriate. Furthermore, where the PPE presents a risk, importers shall immediately inform the *market surveillance* authorities of the Member States in which they made the PPE available on the market to that effect, giving details, in particular, of the nonconformity and of any corrective measures taken.

PPE into conformity, to withdraw it or to recall it, as appropriate. Furthermore, where the PPE presents a risk, importers shall immediately inform the *manufacturer and the competent national* authorities of the Member States in which they made the PPE available on the market to that effect, giving details, in particular, of the non-conformity and of any corrective measures taken.

Amendment 67

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Importers shall, for at least 10 years after the PPE has been placed on the market, *keep* a copy of the EU declaration of conformity *at the disposal of the market surveillance authorities and ensure that* the technical documentation can be made available to *those* authorities, upon request.

Amendment

7. Importers shall, for at least 10 years after the PPE has been placed on the market, *ensure that* a copy of the EU declaration of conformity *and* the technical documentation can be made available to *the market surveillance* authorities upon request.

Amendment 68

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Before making PPE available on the market, distributors shall verify that it bears the CE marking, is accompanied by the *EU declaration of conformity or a simplified EU declaration of conformity, and that it is accompanied* by the instructions set out in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by end-users in the Member State in which PPE is to be made available on the market and that the manufacturer and the importer have complied with the requirements set out in Article 8(5) and (6) and Article 10(3).

Amendment

Before making PPE available on the market, distributors shall verify that it bears the CE marking, is accompanied by the *required documents*, by the instructions *and other information* set out in point 1.4 of Annex II in a language which can be easily understood by *consumers and other* end-users in the Member State in which PPE is to be made available on the market and that the manufacturer and the importer have complied with the requirements set out in Article 8(5) and (6) and Article 10(3).

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Distributors who consider or have reason to believe that PPE which they have made available on the market is not in conformity with the requirements of this Regulation shall make sure that the necessary corrective measures are taken to bring it into conformity, to withdraw it or to recall it, as appropriate. Furthermore, where the PPE presents a risk, distributors shall immediately inform the market surveillance authorities of the Member States in which they have made the PPE available on the market to that effect. giving details, in particular, of the nonconformity and of any corrective measures taken.

Amendment

4. Distributors who consider or have reason to believe that PPE which they have made available on the market is not in conformity with the requirements of this Regulation shall make sure that the necessary corrective measures are taken to bring it into conformity, to withdraw it or to recall it, as appropriate. Furthermore, where the PPE presents a risk, distributors shall immediately inform the manufacturer or importer and the competent national authorities of the Member States in which they have made the PPE available on the market to that effect, giving details, in particular, of the non-conformity and of any corrective measures taken.

Amendment 70

Proposal for a regulation Article 12 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

An importer or distributor shall be considered a manufacturer for the purposes of this Regulation and he shall be subject to the obligations of the manufacturer set out in Article 8 where he places PPE on the market under his name or trademark or modifies PPE already placed on the market in such a way that the conformity with the applicable essential health and safety requirements set out in Annex II may be affected.

Amendment

An importer or distributor shall be considered a manufacturer for the purposes of this Regulation and he shall be subject to the obligations of the manufacturer set out in Article 8 where he places PPE on the market under his name or trademark or modifies PPE already placed on the market in such a way that *compliance with this Regulation* may be affected.

Proposal for a regulation Article 14 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Unless otherwise provided for by Union harmonisation legislation, the withdrawal of a harmonised standard shall not invalidate existing certificates issued by notified bodies. Such withdrawal shall only concern the conformity that is conferred onto new conformity assessments that follow the new harmonised standard. Products produced in accordance with the existing certificate shall still benefit from continuing conformity with the essential requirements and may continue to be placed on the market until the end of the validity of the relevant certificates issued by notified bodies.

Justification

The current wording provides legal uncertainty regarding cases where the harmonized standard on the certificate has been replaced by a revised version. To avoid any legal uncertainty, the clarifications provided in the "Blue Guide" on the implementation of EU product rules 2014, 4.1.2.6, p.41 should be introduced in the PPE Regulation directly.

Amendment 72

Proposal for a regulation Article 15 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The EU declaration of conformity shall *have the* structure *and* shall contain the elements set out in *Annex IX* and shall be continuously updated. It shall be translated into the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is made available on the market.

Amendment

2. The EU declaration of conformity shall be based on the model structure set out in Annex IX, shall contain the elements specified in the relevant modules set out in Annexes IV, VI, VII and VIII and shall be continuously updated. It shall be translated into the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is placed or made available on the market.

Proposal for a regulation Article 15 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. A simplified EU declaration of conformity shall *contain the elements* set out in Annex X and it shall be continuously updated. It shall be translated into the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is made available on the market. The EU declaration of conformity accessible through internet address shall be available in the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is made available on the market.

Amendment

3. A simplified EU declaration of conformity shall *be based on the model structure* set out in Annex X and it shall be continuously updated. It shall be translated into the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is made available on the market. The EU declaration of conformity accessible through internet address shall be available in the language or languages required by the Member State in which the PPE is *placed or* made available on the market.

Amendment 74

Proposal for a regulation Article 15 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. By drawing up the EU declaration of conformity, the manufacturer shall assume the full responsibility for the *conformity* of the PPE with the requirements *of* this Regulation.

Amendment

5. By drawing up the EU declaration of conformity, the manufacturer shall assume the full responsibility for the *compliance* of the PPE with the requirements *laid down in* this Regulation.

Amendment 75

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The CE marking shall be affixed before the PPE is placed on the market. It may be followed by a pictogram or other marking indicating the risk against which the PPE is intended to protect.

Amendment

3. The CE marking shall be affixed before the PPE is placed on the market.

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. For category III PPE, the CE marking shall be followed by the identification number of the notified body involved in the procedure for ensuring conformity to type based on product verification or the procedure for ensuring conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process.

Amendment

4. For category III PPE, the CE marking shall be followed by the identification number of the notified body involved in the procedure for ensuring conformity to type based on product verification or the procedure for ensuring conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process. The identification number of the notified body shall be affixed under its instructions, by the manufacturer or his authorised representative.

Amendment 77

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The CE marking and, where applicable, the identification number of the notified body may be accompanied by a pictogram or other marking indicating the risk against which the PPE is intended to protect.

Amendment 78

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4b. Member States shall build upon existing mechanisms to ensure correct application of the regime governing the CE marking and shall take appropriate action in the event of improper use of that marking.

Proposal for a regulation Article 17

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

deleted

Article 17

Risk categories of PPE

The PPE shall be classified into the risk categories set out in Annex I.

Amendment 80

Proposal for a regulation Article 23 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. A conformity assessment body shall be established under national law and have legal personality.

Amendment

2. A conformity assessment body shall be established under national law *of a Member State* and have legal personality.

Amendment 81

Proposal for a regulation Article 23 – paragraph 7 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) appropriate knowledge and understanding of the essential health and safety requirements set out in Annex II, of the corresponding harmonised standards and of the relevant provisions of Union harmonisation legislation;

Amendment

(c) appropriate knowledge and understanding of the essential health and safety requirements set out in Annex II, of the corresponding harmonised standards and of the relevant provisions of Union harmonisation legislation and of relevant national legislation;

Amendment 82

Proposal for a regulation Article 23 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Conformity assessment bodies shall take out liability insurance unless liability is assumed by the State in accordance with national law, or the Member State itself is directly responsible for the conformity assessment.

Amendment

9. Conformity assessment bodies shall take out liability insurance unless liability is assumed by the *Member* State in accordance with national law, or the Member State itself is directly responsible for the conformity assessment.

Amendment 83

Proposal for a regulation Article 23 – paragraph 11

Text proposed by the Commission

11. Conformity assessment bodies shall participate in, or ensure that their personnel responsible for carrying out the conformity assessment tasks are informed of, the relevant standardisation activities and the activities of the notified body coordination group established under this Regulation and shall apply *as general guidance the administrative* decisions and documents produced as a result of the work of that group.

Amendment

11. Conformity assessment bodies shall participate in, or ensure that their personnel responsible for carrying out the conformity assessment tasks are informed of, the relevant standardisation activities and the activities of the notified body coordination group established under *Article 35 of* this Regulation and shall apply *the* decisions and documents produced as a result of the work of that group.

Amendment 84

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The application for notification shall be accompanied by a description of the conformity assessment activities, the conformity assessment *procedure(s)* and the kinds of PPE for which that body claims to be competent, as well as by an accreditation certificate, where one exists, issued by a national accreditation body attesting that the conformity assessment body fulfils the requirements laid down in Article 23.

Amendment

2. The application for notification shall be accompanied by a description of the conformity assessment activities, the conformity assessment *module or modules* and the kinds of PPE for which that body claims to be competent, as well as by an accreditation certificate, where one exists, issued by a national accreditation body attesting that the conformity assessment body fulfils the requirements laid down in Article 23.

Justification

If adopted, this change will be made throughout the text.

Amendment 85

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Where a notification is not based on an accreditation certificate referred to in Article 26(2), the notifying authority shall provide the Commission and the other Member States with documentary evidence which attests to the conformity assessment body's competence and the arrangements in place to ensure that that body will be monitored regularly and will continue to satisfy the requirements laid down in Article 23.

Amendment

deleted

Justification

Accreditation should be the general rule for notified bodies

Amendment 86

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. In the event of restriction, suspension or withdrawal of notification, or where the notified body has ceased its activity, the notifying Member State shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the files of that body are either processed by another notified body or kept available for the responsible notifying and market surveillance authorities at their request.

Amendment

2. In the event of restriction, suspension or withdrawal of notification, or where the notified body has ceased its activity, the notifying Member State shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the files of that body are either processed by another notified body or kept available for the responsible notifying and market surveillance authorities at their request. The notifying Member State shall inform the manufacturers concerned and give them the possibility to select another notified body of their choice.

Proposal for a regulation Article 30 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. The notifying Member State shall provide the Commission, on request, with all information relating to the basis for the notification or the maintenance of the competence of the notified body concerned.

Amendment 88

Proposal for a regulation Article 32 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that *an* appeal procedure against decisions of the notified bodies is available.

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that *a transparent and accessible* appeal procedure against decisions of the notified bodies is available.

Amendment 89

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that the bodies notified by them participate in the work of that group, directly or by means of designated representatives.

Amendment

Notified bodies shall participate in the work of that group, directly or by means of designated representatives. In the event that a notified body does not comply with this requirement, the notification shall be suspended or withdrawn.

Amendment 90

Proposal for a regulation Chapter V a (new) Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

CHAPTER VA

UNION MARKET SURVEILLANCE, CONTROL OF PPE ENTERING THE UNION MARKET AND UNION SAFEGUARD PROCEDURE

Amendment 91

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 35a

Union market surveillance and control of PPE entering the Union market

Article 15(3) and Articles 16 to 29 of Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 shall apply to PPE covered by Article 2(1) of this Regulation.

Amendment 92

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 35b

Procedure for dealing with PPE presenting a risk at national level

1. Where the market surveillance authorities of one Member State have sufficient reason to believe that PPE covered by this Regulation presents a risk to the health or safety of users or, where applicable, of other persons, they shall carry out an evaluation in relation to the PPE concerned covering all relevant requirements laid down in this Regulation. The relevant economic operators shall cooperate as necessary

with the market surveillance authorities for that purpose.

Where, in the course of the evaluation referred to in the first subparagraph, the market surveillance authorities find that the PPE does not comply with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, they shall without delay require the relevant economic operator to take all appropriate corrective actions to bring the PPE into compliance with those requirements, to withdraw the PPE from the market, or to recall it within a reasonable period, commensurate with the nature of the risk, as they may prescribe.

The market surveillance authorities shall inform the relevant notified body accordingly.

Article 21 of Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 shall apply to the measures referred to in the second subparagraph of this paragraph.

- 2. Where the market surveillance authorities consider that non-compliance is not restricted to their national territory, they shall inform the Commission and the other Member States of the results of the evaluation and of the actions which they have required the economic operator to take.
- 3. The economic operator shall ensure that all appropriate corrective action is taken in respect of all the PPE concerned that it has made available on the market throughout the Union.
- 4. Where the relevant economic operator does not take adequate corrective action within the period referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 1, the market surveillance authorities shall take all appropriate provisional measures to prohibit or restrict the PPE's being made available on their national market, to withdraw the PPE from that market or to recall it.

The market surveillance authorities shall

inform the Commission and the other Member States, without delay, of those measures.

- 5. The information referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 4 shall include all available details, in particular the data necessary for the identification of the non-compliant PPE, the origin of the PPE, the nature of the non-compliance alleged and the risk involved, the nature and duration of the national measures taken and the arguments put forward by the relevant economic operator. In particular, the market surveillance authorities shall indicate whether the non-compliance is due to either of the following:
- (a) failure of the PPE to meet requirements relating to the health or safety of persons; or
- (b) shortcomings in the harmonised standards referred to in Article 14 conferring a presumption of conformity.
- 6. Member States other than the Member State initiating the procedure under this Article shall without delay inform the Commission and the other Member States of any measures adopted and of any additional information at their disposal relating to the non-compliance of the PPE concerned, and, in the event of disagreement with the adopted national measure, of their objections.
- 7. Where, within three months of receipt of the information referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 4, no objection has been raised by either a Member State or the Commission in respect of a provisional measure taken by a Member State, that measure shall be deemed justified.
- 8. Member States shall ensure that appropriate restrictive measures, such as withdrawal of the PPE from the market, are taken in respect of the PPE concerned without delay.

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 35c

Union safeguard procedure

1. Where, on completion of the procedure set out in Article 35b(3) and (4), objections are raised against a measure taken by a Member State, or where the Commission considers a national measure to be contrary to Union legislation, the Commission shall without delay enter into consultation with the Member States and the relevant economic operator or operators and shall evaluate the national measure. On the basis of the results of that evaluation, the Commission shall adopt an implementing act determining whether the national measure is justified or not.

The Commission shall address its decision to all Member States and shall immediately communicate it to them and the relevant economic operator or operators.

- 2. If the national measure is considered justified, all Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the non-compliant PPE is withdrawn from their market, and shall inform the Commission accordingly. If the national measure is considered unjustified, the Member State concerned shall withdraw that measure.
- 3. Where the national measure is considered justified and the noncompliance of the PPE is attributed to shortcomings in the harmonised standards referred to in point (b) of Article 35b(5) of this Regulation, the Commission shall apply the procedure provided for in Article 11 of Regulation

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 35d

Compliant PPE which presents a risk

- 1. Where, having carried out an evaluation under Article 35b(1), a Member State finds that although a PPE is in compliance with this Regulation, it presents a risk to the health or safety of persons, it shall require the relevant economic operator to take all appropriate measures to ensure that the PPE concerned, when placed on the market, no longer presents that risk, to withdraw the PPE from the market or to recall it within a reasonable period, commensurate with the nature of the risk, as it may prescribe.
- 2. The economic operator shall ensure that corrective action is taken in respect of all the PPE concerned that he has made available on the market throughout the Union.
- 3. The Member State shall immediately inform the Commission and the other Member States. That information shall include all available details, in particular the data necessary for the identification of the PPE concerned, the origin and the supply chain of the PPE, the nature of the risk involved and the nature and duration of the national measures taken.
- 4. The Commission shall without delay enter into consultation with the Member States and the relevant economic operator or operators and shall evaluate the national measures taken. On the basis of the results of that evaluation, the Commission shall decide by means of implementing acts whether the national

measure is justified or not and, where necessary, propose appropriate measures.

The implementing acts referred to in the first subparagraph of this paragraph shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 38(2a).

On duly justified imperative grounds of urgency relating to the protection of health and safety of persons, the Commission shall adopt immediately applicable implementing acts in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 38(2b).

5. The Commission shall address its decision to all Member States and shall immediately communicate it to them and the relevant economic operator or operators.

Amendment 95

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 e (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 35e

Formal non-compliance

- 1. Without prejudice to Article 35b, where a Member State makes one of the following findings, it shall require the relevant economic operator to put an end to the non-compliance concerned:
- (a) the CE marking has been affixed in violation of Article 30 of Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 or of Article 16 of this Regulation or has not been affixed;
- (b) the identification number of the notified body involved in the production control phase has been affixed in violation of Article 16 or has not been affixed;
- (c) the EU declaration of conformity has not been drawn up or has not been drawn

up correctly;

- (d) the technical documentation is either not available or not complete.
- (e) the information referred to in Article 8(6) or Article 10(3) is absent, false or incomplete;
- (f) any other administrative requirement provided for in Article 8 or Article 10 is not fulfilled.
- 2. Where the non-compliance referred to in paragraph 1 persists, the Member State concerned shall take all appropriate measures to restrict or prohibit the PPE being made available on the market or ensure that it is recalled or withdrawn from the market.

Amendment 96

Proposal for a regulation Article 36 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 37 to amend Annex I with respect to the category of a specific risk, in response to technical progress and knowledge or new scientific evidence and by taking into account the conformity assessment procedure that need to be followed for each category, in accordance with Article 18.

Amendment

In order to take into account technical progress and knowledge or new scientific evidence with respect to the category of a specific risk, the Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 37 to amend Annex I by reclassifying the risk from one category to another.

A Member State which has concerns about the classification of a risk into a specific risk category referred to in Article 17 shall immediately inform the Commission of its concerns and provide reasons in support.

Prior to adopting a delegated act the Commission shall carry out a thorough assessment of the risks that require reclassification and of its impacts.

Proposal for a regulation Article 38 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.

Amendment 98

Proposal for a regulation Article 38 – paragraph 2 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2b. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 8 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, in conjunction with Article 5 thereof, shall apply.

Amendment 99

Proposal for a regulation Article 39 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall lay down the rules on penalties applicable to infringements of the provisions of this Regulation and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are *implemented*. The penalties provided for must be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. Member States shall notify those provisions to the Commission by [3 months prior to the date of application of this Regulation] at the latest and shall notify it without delay of any subsequent amendment affecting them.

Amendment

Member States shall lay down the rules on penalties applicable to infringements by economic operators of the provisions of this Regulation and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are enforced. Such rules may include criminal penalties for serious infringements. The penalties provided for must be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. Member States shall notify those provisions to the Commission by [3 months prior to the date of application of this Regulation] at the latest and shall notify it without delay of any subsequent amendment affecting them.

Proposal for a regulation Article 42 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

However, Articles 19 to 35 shall apply from [six months after entry into force].

Amendment

However, Articles 19 to 35 *and Articles 38 and 39* shall apply from [six months after entry into force].

Amendment 101

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 1 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) contact with water or cleaning materials of weak action;

Amendment

(b) contact with water or cleaning materials of weak action *or prolonged contact with water*;

Amendment 102

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 2 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) made-to-measure PPE except where such PPE is intended to protect users against risks listed in Category I.

deleted

Amendment 103

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

PPE intended to protect users against very serious risks. Category III includes exclusively PPE intended to protect users against the following risks:

PPE intended to protect users against very serious risks, *such as death or irreversible damage to health*. Category III includes exclusively PPE intended to protect users

against the following risks:

Amendment 104

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) *inhalation of harmful* substances;

(a) substances and mixtures which are hazardous to health;

Amendment 105

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) atmospheres with oxygen deficiency;

Amendment 106

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) aggressive chemicals;

(b) harmful biological agents;

Amendment 107

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point l a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(la) occupational risk of severe impact to the head.

Amendment 108

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point c Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) ionising radiation;

(c) ionising radiation, laser radiation and radioactive contamination;

Amendment 109

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – section 3 – paragraph 1 – point k

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(k) bullet wounds or knife stabs;

(k) bullet wounds, *explosive fragments* or knife stabs:

Amendment 110

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.2 – point 1.2.1 – point 1.2.1.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The materials of which the PPE is made, including any of their possible decomposition products, must not adversely affect the health or safety of users.

The materials of which the PPE is made, including any of their possible decomposition products, must not adversely affect the health or safety of users or result in the PPE no longer complying with the essential health and safety requirements laid down in this Regulation.

Amendment 111

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.3 – point 1.3.3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

If the same manufacturer places on the market several models of PPE *models* of different types in order to ensure the simultaneous protection of adjacent parts of the body, they must be compatible.

If the same manufacturer places on the market several models of PPE of different types in order to ensure the simultaneous protection of adjacent parts of the body, they must be compatible.

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.3 – point 1.3.3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.3.3a. Protective clothing containing removable protectors

Protective clothing containing removable protectors constitute PPE and should be assessed as a combination during conformity assessment procedures.

Amendment 113

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.4. Manufacturer's instructions

1.4. Manufacturer's instructions *and information*

Amendment 114

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) performance as recorded during technical tests to check the levels or classes of protection provided by the PPE; deleted

Justification

This information shall not necessarily be supplied in the instructions with each PPE. It shall be included in the technical documentation (see annex III), and shall made available by the manufacturer in another way upon request (see amendment on article 8 paragraph 7a new)

Amendment 115

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) accessories that may be used with the PPE and the characteristics of appropriate spare parts;

Amendment

(c) *where applicable*, accessories that may be used with the PPE and the characteristics of appropriate spare parts;

Amendment 116

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (d) the classes of protection appropriate to different levels of risk and the corresponding limits of use;
- (d) *where applicable*, the classes of protection appropriate to different levels of risk and the corresponding limits of use;

Amendment 117

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (e) the date or period of obsolescence of the PPE or of certain of its components;
- (e) *where applicable*, the date or period of obsolescence of the PPE or of certain of its components;

Amendment 118

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (f) the type of packaging suitable for transport;
- (f) *where applicable*, the type of packaging suitable for transport;

Amendment 119

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new) Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) risks against which the PPE is designed to protect;

Amendment 120

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) reference to the relevant harmonised standard(s) used, including the date of the standard(s) or references to the other technical specification used:

Amendment 121

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – point i b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ib) the internet address where the EU declaration of conformity can be accessed.

Amendment 122

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

These instructions, which must be precise and comprehensible, must be provided at least in the official language(s) of the Member State of destination.

These instructions, which must be precise and comprehensible and clearly legible, must be provided at least in the official language(s) of the Member State of destination. The instructions shall be deemed to be clearly legible if they can be read easily from an appropriate distance and without artificial aids by a normal user with normal vision.

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 1 – point 1.4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

These instructions, which must be precise and comprehensible, must be provided at least in the official language(s) of the Member State of destination.

Amendment

These instructions, which must be precise and comprehensible, must be provided at least in the official language(s) of the Member State of destination. Any additional relevant instructions for selection, use, care and maintenance of the PPE must be made available in a way that is easily accessible to any person concerned.

Amendment 124

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

As far as possible, PPE enclosing the parts of the body to be protected must be *sufficiently ventilated* to limit perspiration resulting from use; otherwise, *it must be equipped with* means of absorbing perspiration.

Amendment

As far as possible, PPE enclosing the parts of the body to be protected must be *designed* to limit perspiration resulting from use; otherwise, means of absorbing perspiration *must be incorporated*.

Amendment 125

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 2 – point 2.9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Where PPE incorporates components which can be adjusted or removed by the user for replacement purposes, they must be designed and manufactured so that they can be easily attached and removed without tools.

Amendment

Where PPE incorporates components which can be adjusted or removed by the user for replacement purposes, they must be designed and manufactured so that they can be easily attached, *adjusted* and removed without tools.

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 2 – point 2.12 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The identification markings or indicators directly or indirectly relating to health and safety affixed to these types of PPE must, if possible, take the form of harmonized pictograms or ideograms. They must be perfectly visible and legible and remain so throughout the foreseeable useful life of the PPE. In addition, these markings must be complete, precise and comprehensible so as to prevent any misinterpretation; in particular, when such markings include words or sentences, the latter must be written in *the official* language(*s*) *of* the Member State where the equipment is *to be used*.

Amendment

The identification markings or indicators directly or indirectly relating to health and safety affixed to these types of PPE must, if possible, take the form of harmonized pictograms or ideograms. They must be perfectly visible and legible and remain so throughout the foreseeable useful life of the PPE. In addition, these markings must be complete, precise and comprehensible so as to prevent any misinterpretation; in particular, when such markings include words or sentences, the latter must be written in a language easily understood by consumers and end-users, as determined by the Member State where the equipment is made available on the market.

Amendment 127

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.4 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

3.4. Protection in *the water*

Amendment

3.4. Protection in *liquids*

Amendment 128

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.4 – point 3.4.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Clothing which will ensure an effective degree of buoyancy, depending on its foreseeable use, which is safe when worn and which affords positive support in *water*. In foreseeable conditions of use, this PPE must not restrict the user's freedom of movement but must enable him, in particular, to swim or take action to escape

Clothing which will ensure an effective degree of buoyancy, depending on its foreseeable use, which is safe when worn and which affords positive support in *liquids*. In foreseeable conditions of use, this PPE must not restrict the user's freedom of movement but must enable him, in particular, to swim or take action to

from danger or to rescue other persons.

escape from danger or to rescue other persons.

Amendment 129

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.6 – point 3.6.1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Materials and other components of equipment intended for brief use in high-temperature environments and of PPE which may be splashed by hot products such as large quantities of molten material must also possess sufficient thermal capacity to *retain most of the stored heat* until after the user has left the danger area and removed his PPE.

Amendment

Materials and other components of equipment intended for brief use in high-temperature environments and of PPE which may be splashed by hot products such as large quantities of molten material must also possess sufficient thermal capacity to *protect from burns* until after the user has left the danger area and removed his PPE.

Amendment 130

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.6 – point 3.6.1 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

PPE materials and other components which may accidentally come into contact with flame and those used in the manufacture of fire-fighting equipment must also possess a degree of non-flammability corresponding to the risk class associated with the foreseeable conditions of use. They must not melt when exposed to flames nor contribute to flame propagation.

Amendment

PPE materials and other components which may accidentally come into contact with flame and those used in the manufacture of *industrial or* fire-fighting equipment must also possess a degree of non-flammability *and thermal or arc heat protection* corresponding to the risk class associated with the foreseeable conditions of use. They must not melt when exposed to flames nor contribute to flame propagation.

Amendment 131

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.6 – point 3.6.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The manufacturer's instructions accompanying PPE intended for *brief* use in high-temperature environments must in particular provide all relevant data for the determination of the maximum permissible user exposure to the heat transmitted by the equipment when used in accordance with its intended purpose.

Amendment

The manufacturer's instructions accompanying PPE intended for *limited time* use in high-temperature environments must in particular provide all relevant data for the determination of the maximum permissible user exposure to the heat transmitted by the equipment when used in accordance with its intended purpose.

Amendment 132

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.9 – point 3.9.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

To this end, *protective glasses* must be so designed and manufactured as to possess, for each harmful wave length, a spectral transmission factor such that the radiant-energy illumination density capable of reaching the user's eye through the filter is minimized and, under no circumstances, exceeds the maximum permissible exposure value.

Amendment

To this end, eye protective equipment must be so designed and manufactured as to possess, for each harmful wave length, a spectral transmission factor such that the radiant-energy illumination density capable of reaching the user's eye through the filter is minimized and, under no circumstances, exceeds the maximum permissible exposure value. PPE designed to protect the skin against non-ionising radiation must be capable of absorbing or reflecting the majority of the energy radiated in the harmful wavelengths.

Justification

If adopted, this change of 'glasses' to 'eye protective equipment' will be made throughout the text.

Amendment 133

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.9 – point 3.9.1 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The relevant protection factor number must be marked on all specimens of

The relevant protection factor number must be marked on all specimens of filtering *eye*

filtering glasses by the manufacturer.

protective equipment by the manufacturer.

Amendment 134

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.10 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3.10. Protection against *dangerous* substances and *infectious* agents

3.10. Protection against substances and *mixtures which are hazardous to health* and against biological agents

Amendment 135

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.10 – point 3.10.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

PPE intended to prevent the surface contact of all or part of the body with *dangerous* substances and *infective agents* must be capable of preventing the penetration or permeation of such substances and agents through the protective integument under the foreseeable conditions of use for which the PPE is intended.

PPE intended to prevent the surface contact of all or part of the body with substances and *mixtures which are hazardous to health or biological agents* must be capable of preventing the penetration or permeation of such substances *and mixtures* and agents through the protective integument under the foreseeable conditions of use for which the PPE is intended.

Amendment 136

Proposal for a regulation Annex II – part 3 – point 3.10 – point 3.10.2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Where, by virtue of their nature and the foreseeable conditions of their use, certain *dangerous* substances *or infectious* agents possess high penetrative power which limits the duration of the protection provided by the PPE in question, the latter must be subjected to standard tests with a view to their classification on the basis of

Where, by virtue of their nature and the foreseeable conditions of their use, certain health hazardous substances and mixtures which are hazardous to health or biological agents possess high penetrative power which limits the duration of the protection provided by the PPE in question, the latter must be subjected to standard

their performance. PPE which is considered to be in conformity with the test specifications must bear a marking indicating, in particular, the names or, failing this, the codes of the substances used in the tests and the corresponding standard period of protection. The manufacturer's instructions must also contain, in particular, an explanation of the codes (if necessary), a detailed description of the standard tests and all appropriate information for the determination of the maximum permissible period of wear under the different foreseeable conditions of use.

tests with a view to their classification on the basis of their performance. PPE which is considered to be in conformity with the test specifications must bear a marking indicating, in particular, the names or, failing this, the codes of the substances used in the tests and the corresponding standard period of protection. The manufacturer's instructions must also contain, in particular, an explanation of the codes (if necessary), a detailed description of the standard tests and all appropriate information for the determination of the maximum permissible period of wear under the different foreseeable conditions of use.

Amendment 137

Proposal for a regulation Annex IV – section 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Internal production control is the conformity assessment procedure whereby the manufacturer fulfils the obligations laid down in points 2, 3 and 4, and ensures and declares on his sole responsibility that the PPE concerned satisfies the applicable essential health and safety requirements referred to in Article 5 and set out in Annex II.

Amendment

1. Internal production control is the conformity assessment procedure whereby the manufacturer fulfils the obligations laid down in points 2, 3 and 4, and ensures and declares on his sole responsibility that the PPE concerned satisfies the applicable requirements *of this Regulation*.

Justification

If adopted, this change should be made throughout the text.

Amendment 138

Proposal for a regulation Annex IV – section 1 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The manufacturer shall establish the technical documentation described in Annex III. *The documentation shall make*

Amendment

The manufacturer shall establish the technical documentation described in

it possible to assess the conformity of the PPE to the applicable requirements, and shall include an adequate analysis and assessment of the risk(s). The technical documentation shall specify the applicable requirements and cover, as far as relevant for the assessment, the design, manufacture and operation of the PPE.

Annex III.

Amendment 139

Proposal for a regulation Annex IV – section 1 – point 4 – point 4.1

Text proposed by the Commission

4.1. The manufacturer shall affix the CE marking to each individual PPE that satisfies the applicable *essential health and safety requirements*.

Amendment

4.1. The manufacturer shall affix the CE marking to each individual PPE that satisfies the applicable *requirements of this Regulation*.

Amendment 140

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 3 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) for *individually adapted* PPE, a description of the measures to be taken by the *manufacturer* during the *fitting and* production process to ensure that each item of PPE complies with the approved type and with the applicable *essential* health and safety requirements.

Amendment

(e) for *made-to-measure* PPE, a description of the *possible variations and the* measures to be taken by the *economic operator* during the production process to ensure that each item of PPE complies with the approved *PPE* type and with the applicable health and safety requirements *laid down in Annex II*.

Amendment 141

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 6 – point 6.1 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The period of validity of a newly issued certificate and, where appropriate, of a

renewed certificate shall be not more than five years.

Amendment 142

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 6 – point 6.2 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (i) the date of issue and, where appropriate, the date(s) of renewal;
- (i) the date of issue, *the date of expiry* and, where appropriate, the date(s) of renewal;

Amendment 143

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 6 – point 6.2 – point j

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(j) the date of expiry (a maximum of five years after the date of issue or the date of the last renewal);

deleted

Amendment 144

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 7.1

Text proposed by the Commission

7.1 The notified body shall keep itself *apprised* of any changes in the generally acknowledged state of the art which indicate that the approved type may no longer comply with the applicable essential health and safety requirements, and shall determine whether such changes require further investigation. If so, the notified body shall inform the manufacturer accordingly.

Amendment

7.1 The notified body shall keep itself appraised of any changes in the generally acknowledged state of the art which indicate that the approved type may no longer comply with the applicable essential health and safety requirements, and without prejudice to paragraph 1a of point 6.1 of Annex V shall determine whether such changes require further investigation. If so, the notified body shall inform the manufacturer accordingly.

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – section 1 – point 7.5 a (new) Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- 7.5a At the earliest 12 months and at the latest 6 months prior to the expiry date, the manufacturer may inform the notified body that a simplified procedure shall apply for the review, as no modification to the PPE referred to in point 7.2 has occurred. The manufacturer shall supply the notified body with the following information:
- (a) confirmation of the current company name and address;
- (b) confirmation that there has been no modification to the product, including materials, sub-components or sub-assemblies, nor to the solutions applied in the relevant harmonised standards or in other technical specifications;
- (c) where not already supplied, copies of current product drawings and photographs, product marking and information supplied by the manufacturer; and
- (d) for category III products, information on the status of the product verification or quality assurance of the production process.

When the notified body has confirmed that no change in the state of the art referred to in point 7.3 has occurred, the EU type-examination laid down in point 4 of Annex V shall not be carried out and the notified body shall renew the EU-type examination certificate. The notified body shall ensure that the simplified procedure for renewal is finalised before the expiry date of the EU type-examination certificate. The reference of the certificate will remain unchanged.

The costs associated with that renewal shall be proportionate to the administrative burden of the simplified

procedure.

If any of the information is missing or if a change in the state of the art referred to in point 7.3 has occurred, the procedure in point 7.5 shall apply.

Amendment 146

Proposal for a regulation Annex VI – section 1 – point 2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For made-to-measure PPE the manufacturer shall take all measures necessary so that the manufacturing process and its monitoring ensure conformity of the manufactured made-to-measure PPE with the basic model described in the EU type-examination certificate and with the applicable *essential health and safety requirements*.

Amendment

For made-to-measure PPE the manufacturer shall take all measures necessary so that the manufacturing process and its monitoring ensure conformity of the manufactured made-to-measure PPE with the basic model described in the EU type-examination certificate and with the applicable *requirements of this Regulation*.

Amendment 147

Proposal for a regulation Annex VII – section 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Conformity to type based on product verification is the part of a conformity assessment procedure whereby the manufacturer fulfils the obligations laid down in points 2, 3, 5.2 and 6, and ensures and declares on his sole responsibility that the PPE, which has been subject to the provisions of point 4, is in conformity with the type described in the EU type-examination certificate and satisfies the applicable *essential health and safety* requirements *referred to in Article 5 and set out in Annex II*.

Amendment

1. Conformity to type based on product verification is the part of a conformity assessment procedure whereby the manufacturer fulfils the obligations laid down in points 2, 3, 5.2 and 6, and ensures and declares on his sole responsibility that the PPE, which has been subject to the provisions of point 4, is in conformity with the type described in the EU type-examination certificate and satisfies the applicable requirements *of this Regulation*.

Proposal for a regulation Annex VII – section 1 – point 4 – point 4.4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4.4a. The acceptance sampling procedure to be applied is intended to determine whether the manufacturing process ensures the homogeneity of production and performs within acceptable limits, with a view to ensuring conformity of the PPE.

Amendment 149

Proposal for a regulation Annex VII – section 1 – point 5 – point 5.1

Text proposed by the Commission

5.1. The notified body shall provide the manufacturer with a test report, and shall authorise the manufacturer to affix the notified body's identification number to each individual PPE that is in conformity with the type described in the EU type-examination certificate and satisfies the applicable essential health and safety requirements.

Amendment

5.1. The notified body shall provide the manufacturer with a test report.

Amendment 150

Proposal for a regulation Annex VII – section 1 – point 5 – point 5.2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5.2a. The manufacturer shall, under the responsibility of the notified body, affix the notified body's identification number during the manufacturing process.

Proposal for a regulation Annex VIII – section 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

8. If the notified body referred to in point 3.1 agrees, the manufacturer may affix the notified body's identification number to the PPE during the manufacturing process.

deleted

Amendment 152

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – heading 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

EU declaration of conformity

EU declaration of conformity

The EU declaration of conformity shall contain the following elements:

Amendment 153

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. PPE (product, batch, type or serial number):

1. Identification of the PPE (product, batch, type or serial number), including, where useful for the identification of the PPE, an image of sufficient clarity:

Amendment 154

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Name and address of the manufacturer or *his authorised representative* [The authorised representative must also give

Amendment

2. Name and address of the manufacturer or, *where applicable*, *his* authorised representative.

the business name and address of the manufacturer]:

Amendment 155

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – point 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Object of the declaration (identification of PPE allowing traceability; it may, where necessary for the identification of the PPE, include a colour image of sufficient clarity):

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 156

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – point 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. References to the *relevant* harmonised standards, including the date of the standard, or references to the other technical specifications, including the date of the specification, in relation to which conformity is declared:

Amendment

6. References to the *applied* harmonised standards, including the date of the standard, or references to the other technical specifications, including the date of the specification, in relation to which conformity is declared:

Amendment 157

Proposal for a regulation Annex X – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The full text of the EU declaration of conformity is available at the following internet address: