

	CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE	EXPLOSIVES
<p><i>Module F</i></p> <p>Conformity to type based on product verification</p>		

Conformity to type based on product verification is the part of a conformity assessment procedure whereby the manufacturer or his/her authorized representative established within the association guarantees and declares that the products concerned are in conformity with the type as described in the EU-type examination certificate and satisfy the requirements of Directive 2014/28/EU.

The applicant shall send a list of the products for which it is requested to carry out the module in question, including the quantity of individual products. In case that module B on these products was performed by another NB, applicant will also send a copy of all final documents issued by this NB (certificates including all amendments, final reports, certificate attachments ...) from which it is possible to find out what parameters the individual products had on EU-type examination when they were assessed. At the same time, applicant will also send a complete technical documentation of the products if it is not part of the documents concerned. Documentation must be in Slovak, Czech or English language. Documentation in other language can be submitted only after mutual agreement. Applicant shall also propose the place and date of sampling necessary for carrying out the tests.

NB shall provide applicant with information on the standards under which the conformity assessment will be carried out.

If the applicant wishes to carry out conformity assessment according to his/her own procedure and not to harmonized standards, he/she shall submit this procedure to the Notified Body before commencing the conformity assessment, together with a study comparing the results obtained according to his/her own procedure and those achieved according to the standard.

On the basis of the submitted study, NB will theoretically assess whether the proposed procedure allows quantitative and qualitative evaluation of the parameter under assessment and at the same time NB will evaluate the reproducibility of the test method.

If the applicant does not provide a study to compare the results achieved according to his/her own procedure and the standard, or the theoretical assessment result does not sufficiently demonstrate the objectivity of the evaluation of the parameter under assessment, NB will physically test the parameters according to the procedure proposed by the applicant and the standard. The safety parameters will be tested automatically according to both procedures.

On the basis of the test results according to both procedures, the head of the COV approves eventually rejects the applicant's own conformity assessment procedure. NB shall inform the applicant about the outcome of the assessment of the conformity assessment procedure proposed by the applicant. If the applicant's own conformity assessment procedure has been rejected, NB will assess the conformity according to the harmonized standards, or, in cooperation with the applicant, agree on an alternative method of conformity assessment which will allow an objective conformity assessment of the given parameters.

Notified body shall send the applicant a price proposal for the conformity assessment with the scope of the assessment (list of tests to be carried out), including the determination of the number of test samples for each individual product lot.

In case of approval of the price proposal, the conditions and the date for taking the required samples, as well as the approval of the expected end date of the assessment, the applicant shall send filled form "Žiadosť na posudzovanie zhody" KOTA D-414 in Slovak language, or "Application Form for Conformity Assessment" KOTA D-523 in English language to the Notified Body. The form must be completed fully and legibly. The veracity of the information provided shall be confirmed by the applicant's signature and if appropriate with a company stamp.

Notified Body shall draw up a draft contract incorporating all relevant and pre-discussed conditions for the conformity assessment. Notified Body shall send the draft contract to the applicant for review. Once the wording of the agreement is approved, both parties (the applicant's statutory representative and the statutory representative of the Notified Body) will sign the contract.

If it is necessary to import the test samples from abroad based on the signed contract, Notified Body shall request the competent authority of the State Administration to issue an import license for the samples of explosives necessary for performance of the conformity assessment.

Upon receiving the relevant license and transfer permission, Notified Body shall inform the applicant about readiness to take samples. Samples intended for conformity assessment must be labeled according to the requirements of the relevant standards and the Directive.

If it is not possible to preserve the properties of the article during transportation with respect to the article's nature, NB shall make mutual agreement with the client, whether the tests will be performed at the place of the production or the applicant will submit the components of the article to NB, from which NB shall arrange the preparation of testing samples.

After sampling, Notified Body shall perform the tests in accordance with the relevant harmonized standards, or mutually agreed procedure that enables objective evaluation of assessed parameter, on samples statistically chosen from each assessed lot.

Upon completion of the assessment, Notified Body shall issue a Final Conformity Report with the type to which this conformity assessment module applies for each approved lot. This document (these documents) together with the invoice are sent to the applicant's address. NB shall also authorize the manufacturer to affix the CE marking to the relevant products, to which the number 1395 is attached. Using of CE marking on the products is checked during the lot test.

If the samples of any of the lot assessed do not meet the requirements of the Directive or it does not reach the parameters in terms of technical documentation, Notified Body prohibits the manufacturer from affixing the CE marking to the product. The non-compliant parameters shall be stated in the Final Report. At the same time, it shall notify the manufacturer about the possibility and method of appeal.

The product may only be re-tested after removing the non-conformity, and the manufacturer shall inform the Notified Body about that.

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