## **UKCA Markings Update**



June 2022: Statement issued by the UK Government.

The UKCA marking will become mandatory for most goods which previously used the CE markings if they are first placed on the market in Great Britain after 31 December 2022.

The UK Government wants to make it easier for businesses to comply with the changes so we will introduce four measures to further support businesses adopting UKCA.

These measures are as follows:

- Government will reduce re-testing costs for UKCA certification, by allowing certificates provided by EU (European Union) conformity assessment bodies (CABs) issued before the end of this year to be used as a basis for UKCA marking certification (including a specific arrangement for construction products, via the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities). This will prevent duplication and immediate increased costs for businesses.
- 2. Government will make clear there is no need to re-test existing imported stock, as these products will be considered already placed on the Great Britain (GB) market. This will prevent the costly, and unnecessary re-labelling of existing stock for businesses.
- 3. Government will make clear that spare parts that repair or replace goods already on the GB market can meet the same requirements as the goods that they repair or replace. This will allow products and goods requiring spare parts to continue to be maintained.
- 4. Government will allow the UKCA marking and importer details to be added to products using a sticky label or on an accompanying document until 31 December 2025. This will allow business to adjust their product design to accommodate marking changes at a convenient and cost-effective time.

The UK Government also intends to lay secondary legislation before the end of the calendar year to give effect to the changes for labelling and testing.

The consumer products that these measures apply to include:

- aerosols
- electrical and electronics
- · equipment for explosive atmospheres
- pyrotechnics
- outdoor equipment
- · personal protective equipment
- toys

## How Does this Impact You? Contact Us to Discuss

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