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Directive 93/15/EEC on Civil Explosives

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Council Directive <u>93/15/EEC</u> of 5 April 1993 on the harmonization of the provisions relating to the <u>placing on the market</u> and <u>supervision</u> of explosives for civil uses



Purpose of 93/15/EEC

- To establish a single market in the EU in trade of explosives for civil uses
- To harmonise the safety requirements for civil explosives at a high level of protection

 To establish an administrative system for the supervision of transfers of explosives and ammunition

"Scope of 93/15/EEC"

- Class I explosives listed in the UN Orange Book (8th Edition)
- Not pyrotechnical articles
- Not explosives or ammunition intended for use by the armed forces or police
- Not ammunition (except transfer requirements)

Legal base: Art. 95 (Internal Market Legislation)

- Free movement of goods
- Removal of barriers to trade
- Harmonisation of national regulations
- High level of protection of health, safety and the environment

"New Approach" Directive

 The "New Approach" applies to several sectors

 Common features and structures

The "New Approach"

- Essential Requirements
- Harmonised Standards
- Conformity Assessment
- CE Marking
- Market Surveillance

What does 93/15/EEC do?

 Explosives placed on EU market must conform to essential safety requirements

 If products conform, they receive a "CE marking" and can be placed on market anywhere in EU

Recent developments

- Article 13 Committee
 - –Definition of Pyrotechnic Articles:
 - Commission Directive 2004/57/EC of 23 April 2004
 - –Transfer document (between Member States):

Commission Decision <u>2004/388/EC</u> of 15 April 2004 on an Intra-Community transfer of explosives document

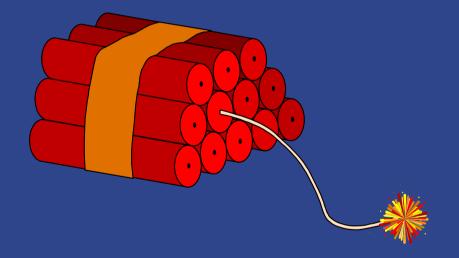
Intra-Community transfer of explosives document

INTRA-COMMUNITY TRANSFER OF EXPLOSIVES (except ammunition) (Article 9 of Directive 1993/15/IEEC)												
1. Nature of authorisation												
Expiry date *:												
☐ Single tr	ansfer (Article	9(5))		1	☐ Multiple transfers - fixed period (Art. 9(6))							
2. Details of operators concerned												
2.1. Recipier	nt applicant *				2.2. Supplier							
Name:				1	Name:							
Address (hea	adquarters);			,	Address (headquarters):							
Telephone:					Telephone:							
Fax:					Fax:							
E-mail:					E-mail:							
Signature:												
2.3. Transpo	ort operator(s)											
Name: Name:				ame:			Name:					
Address (hea	adquarters);		Address (I	neadquarters):		Address (headquarters):						
Telephone:			Telephone		Telephone:							
Fax:					Fax:							
E-mail:			E-mail:		E-mail:							
3. Full description of the explosives												
Closel				CE marking	Factory address		Q.,	Other relevant				
UN No * division Trade name *		(Yes/No)		Quantity *			information					

4. Transfer details							
4.1. Location and calendar	r:						
Place of departure:				Departure date:			
Place of delivery:				Expected arrival date:			
4.2. General circumstance	s of the itiner	ary:					
Member State			Point of entry	Point of exit		Means of transport	
5. Authorisations from the	authorities ir	the Member	r States of transit including	secure identification (e.g. stamp)		
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DATE C		OF AUTHORISATION NUMBER		EXPIRY DATE			
TRANSIT COUNTRIES DATI			AUTHORISATION NUMBER	EXPIRY DATE		Seal	
6. Authorisation from the	authority in th	e Member St	tate of recipient (including	secure identification)			
Date:							
Position in signatory authorit	ly:					Seal	
		(signature)					

Future issues

- Harmonised labelling scheme for explosives
- Explosives precursors, Detectability ?!
- Proposal for a
 Directive on
 Pyrotechnic Articles
 (COM 2005) 457 final





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