

Update: UKCA Marking and Certified Products Easements Made by the UK Government from the 20th of June

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

the UK government announced changes to existing legislation on 20 June 2022 that will simplify the requirements for manufacturers supplying products from the European Economic Area into the UK market.

The easements relevant to our products are as follows:

1. UKCA Marking Placed on Products

Instead of placing the UKCA marking on the product itself, it is now accepted to place the marking and to include importer information for products from EEA countries on an accompanying document or label until 31st December 2025. I.e. the UKCA marking must be used from 01 January 2023, but can be realised until 31 December 2025 on an accompanying document or sticky label on the packaging.

2. UKEx Certification

To reduce re-testing costs for the UKCA Certification, it is now allowed to use existing certificates or certificates issued before the end of 2022 by an EU based conformity assessment body (CAB), as the basis for the UKEx Certification until 31st December 2027.

The usage of existing or completed certifications by the end of 2022 (issued by an EU based CAB) is further detailed in the descriptions below:

Products currently certified under an EU-Type Examination Certificate (ATEX)

Any product that currently has certification with an EU-Type Examination Certificate according to the Directive 2014/34/EU (ATEX certification) issued before the end of 2022 will not require a UK Type Examination Certificate according to the Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016 (UKEx certification) until 31st of December 2027.

Products certified with an EU Type Examination Certificate (ATEX) until 31st December 2022

Products that undergo conformity assessment activity and receive an ATEX Certification before the end of 2022 will not require UKEx Certification until 31st of December 2027.

Products certified under a new EU-Type Examination Certificate (ATEX) after 31st December 2022

Any product that undergoes conformity assessment activities and receives new ATEX Certification after the end of 2022 will require UKEx certification.

Updates to products certified under an EU-Type Examination Certificate (ATEX) after 31st of December 2022

Any product that undergoes conformity assessment activities and requires an update to the existing ATEX Certificate after the end of 2022 will require UKEx certification.

Regardless of the above easements, we would like to assure you that Weidmüller will implement all relevant UKCA preparations as planned by the end of 2022. This includes the following activities:

- The UKCA marking of our products and/or the marking of the product packaging if marking of the product itself is not possible for technical reasons.
- Updating the accompanying documentation for the product, such as user instructions with the necessary UKCA information and the preparation of all UK Declarations of Conformity (DoC).
- Applying for the UKEx Certificates for the certified products. These will be made available to our customers for download on the Weidmüller website.

With regards to the UKEx Certification of certified products we would like to reassure our customers that the vast majority of certificates are already available with the remainder to be issued by the end of October 2022.

Kind regards,



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