



## Brexit Information - What our customers should know by today

### The UK has left the EU -

#### What impact does the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the EU and United Kingdom have on our business?

- The acceptance period for CE marked products has been extended again to give companies time to adapt to the new national marking requirements (UKCA Mark)
  - The transition period applies to existing and new CE marked products and is extended until December 31, 2022
- > **Customers can continue to import CE marked goods into the UK until December 31, 2022**
- > **Customers must be prepared to follow the UKCA marking requirements and to comply with the new UK legislation if they wish to import goods into the UK that will be placed on the market after January 01, 2023.**
- From January 1, 2023, all products imported into the United Kingdom must comply with the national regulations of the UK government and, if required, undergo a certification process with an approved body based in the UK.
  - Former EU notified bodies (EU NB) based in the UK are transferred to the status of UK approved bodies.
  - Former notified bodies (NB) based within the UK are no longer authorized to certify according to the RED.
  - The remaining EU27 NBs are not yet allowed to certify according to the UKCA procedure, but conformity assessment under the RED will be accepted by the UK until December 31, 2022.
  - If your product requires mandatory third-party conformity assessment and the conformity assessment is carried out by a UK conformity assessment body, the UKCA marking procedure must be used from now on regardless of the transition phase.

#### Important aspects for manufacturers whose products are placed onto market during the transition period

- **EU27 market:** If you had your product approved by a UK NB according to RED, you now need to submit an application to apply for a TEC with an EU27 NB.
- **UK market:** If you had your product approved by an RED NB, this approval will be accepted until the end of the transition period. Afterwards, it will be required to apply for a new certificate from a UK approved body.
- **Northern Ireland:** According to the EU-UK Treaty (EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement), Northern Ireland will continue to be treated according to EU27. There are special rules that take into account Northern Ireland's hybrid situation between UK and EU. Please do not hesitate to ask us if we can assist you with the specific marking requirements.

The new UK legal framework and the technical requirements for the approval process will be broadly the same as they are now. We are pleased to assist you in meeting the market requirements if your product falls under the UK self-declaration (former EU Declaration of Conformity). During the self-declaration process, the CE conformity assessment procedure will be accepted until December 31, 2022. After that date, it is important to follow the new UK rules by applying the UK legislation and its references. **The testing standards under RED were adopted by the UK on December 31, 2020 and will be listed as "EN" standard as long as no technical changes occur. If technical variations arise in the future, the UK government may introduce new standards to reflect these deviations.**

#### How does this affect CTC advanced GmbH as your certification partner?

We do not yet have any information on whether it is possible for us, as an EU27 NB to obtain the status of a UK approved body. However, you can be sure that we will take care of this matter so that we can continue to provide you with the best possible support for your UK certification.

**With this information we would like to keep you up to date on what we know at this time about the implications of Brexit. We will update our information for you if anything changes.**

Please check out the official links below for more information and updated guidance on the transition period and new UK legislation:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/placing-manufactured-goods-on-the-market-in-great-britain-from-1-january-2021>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/using-the-ukca-mark-from-1-january-2021>