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THE PRESSURE EQUIPMENT (SAFETY) REGULATIONS 2016

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- 10. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 11. Authorised representative

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- 13. Type examination–production type shall consist of an assessment of the...
- 14. The manufacturer shall lodge an application with a single approved...
- 15. The approved body shall—(a) examine the technical documentation and...
- 16. Where the type meets the requirements of these Regulations, the...
- 17. The Type examination-production type certificate shall—(a) include—
- 18. Where the type does not satisfy the applicable requirements of...
- 19. Provision shall be made for an appeals procedure.
- 20. The approved body shall keep itself appraised of any changes...
- 21. The manufacturer shall inform the approved body that holds the...
- 22. Each approved body shall inform the Secretary of State concerning...
- 23. Each approved body shall inform the other approved bodies concerning...
- 24. Other approved bodies may, on request, obtain a copy of...
- 25. The approved body shall keep a copy of the Type...
- 26. The manufacturer shall keep a copy of the Type examination-production...
- 27. The manufacturer's authorised representative may lodge the application referred to...

Type examination—design type

- 28. Type examination-design type is the part of a conformity assessment...
- 29. Type examination-design type shall consist of an assessment of the...
- 30. The experimental design method provided for at paragraph 6 of...
- 31. The manufacturer shall lodge an application with a single approved...
- 32. The application may cover several versions of the pressure equipment,...
- 33. The approved body shall—(a) examine the technical documentation and...
- 34. Where the design meets the requirements of these Regulations, the...
- 35. The Type examination-design certificate type shall— (a) include—
- 36. Where the design does not satisfy the applicable requirements of...
- 37. The approved body shall keep itself appraised of any changes...
- 38. The manufacturer shall inform the approved body that holds the...
- 39. Each approved body shall inform its approved authority concerning Type...
- 40. Each approved body shall inform the other approved bodies concerning...
- 41. Other approved bodies may, on request, obtain a copy of...
- 42. The approved body shall keep a copy of the Type...
- 43. The manufacturer shall keep a copy of the Type examination-design...
- 44. The manufacturer's authorised representative may lodge the application referred to...

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- 46. Manufacturing
- 47. Final assessment and pressure equipment check
- 48. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 49. Authorised representative

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- 54. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 55. Authorised representative

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- 57. Technical documentation
- 58. Manufacturing
- 59. Quality system
- 60. Surveillance under the responsibility of the approved body
- 61. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 62. Authorised representative

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- 66. Surveillance under the responsibility of the approved body
- 67. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 68. Authorised representative

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- 72. Quality system
- 73. Surveillance under the responsibility of the approved body
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- 75. Authorised representative

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- 80. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 81. Authorised representative

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- 82. General
- 83. Technical documentation
- 84. Manufacturing
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- 87. Authorised representative

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- 89. Manufacturing
- 90. Quality system
- 91. Surveillance under the responsibility of the approved body
- 92. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 93. Authorised representative

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- 94. General
- 95. Manufacturing
- 96. Quality system
- 97. Design examination

- 98. Surveillance under the responsibility of the approved body
- 99. UK marking and declaration of conformity
- 100. Authorised representative

SCHEDULE 1B — Conformity Assessment Tables

- 1. The references in the tables to categories of modules are...
- 1A (1) Where in order to mitigate the effects of very...
- 2. The safety accessories defined in paragraph 5, are classified in...
- 3. (1) The pressure accessories defined in paragraph 6, are classified...
- 4. (1) The demarcation lines in the following conformity assessment tables...
- 5. In this Schedule "safety accessories" are defined as follows—
- 6. In this Schedule "pressure accessories" are defined as follows—

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- 1. (1) The obligations arising from the essential safety requirements listed...
- 2. (1) Pressure equipment must be designed, manufactured and checked, and...

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- 4. Design for adequate strength
- 5. Calculation method
- 6. Experimental design methods
- 7. Provisions to ensure safe handling and operation
- 8. Means of examination
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- 10. Corrosion or other chemical attack
- 11. Wear
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- 31. (1) Materials used for the manufacture of pressure equipment must...

 PART 5 SPECIFIC PRESSURE EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS
 - In addition to the applicable requirements of Parts 1 to...
- 33. Fired or otherwise heated pressure equipment with a risk of overheating as referred to in regulation 6

34. Piping as referred to in regulation 6(c)

PART 6 — SPECIFIC QUANTITATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PRESSURE EQUIPMENT

- 35. (1) The following provisions apply as a general rule, but...
- 36. Allowable stresses
- 37. The permissible general membrane stress for predominantly static loads and...
- 38. Joint coefficients
- 39. Pressure limiting devices, particularly for pressure vessels
- 40. Hydrostatic test pressure
- 41. Material characteristics

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PART 1 — Classification of pressure equipment before IP completion day

- 1. Pressure equipment referred to in regulation 6 must be classified...
- 2. (1) In order to determine the appropriate category for classification...
- 3. For the purposes of the classification referred to in paragraph...
- 4. In this Schedule, "the CLP Regulation" means Regulation (EC) No...

PART 2 — Classification of pressure equipment immediately on or after IP completion day

- 5. Pressure equipment referred to in regulation 6 (pressure equipment and...
- 6. (1) In order to determine the appropriate category for classification...
- 7. For the purposes of the classification referred to in paragraph...
- 8. Where a vessel is composed of a number of chambers,...

SCHEDULE 4 — Approved body requirements

- 1. An approved body or recognised third party organisation must meet...
- 2. A conformity assessment body must have legal personality and must...
- 3. A conformity assessment body must be a third party body...
- 4. (1) A conformity assessment body, its top level management and...
- 5. A conformity assessment body, its top level management and the...
- 6. A conformity assessment body, its top level management and the...
- 7. A conformity assessment body must ensure that the activities of...
- 8. A conformity assessment body and its personnel must carry out...
- 9. A conformity assessment body must be capable of carrying out...
- 10. A conformity assessment body must have at its disposal—
- 11. A conformity assessment body must have the means necessary to...
- 12. The personnel responsible for carrying out conformity assessment activities must...
- 13. A conformity assessment body must be able to demonstrate the...
- 14. The remuneration of the top level management and the personnel...
- 15. A conformity assessment body must have, and must satisfy the...
- 16. A conformity assessment body must ensure that its personnel observe...
- 17. Paragraph 16 does not prevent the personnel from providing information...
- 18. A conformity assessment body must participate in, or ensure that...

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- 1. A user inspectorate must be established in the United Kingdom...
- 2. A user inspectorate must be organisationally identifiable and have reporting...
- 3. (1) A user inspectorate, its top level management and the...
- 4. A user inspectorate, its top level management and the personnel...
- 5. A user inspectorate, its top level management and the personnel...

- 6. A user inspectorate and its personnel must carry out the...
- 7. A user inspectorate must be capable of carrying out all...
- 8. A user inspectorate must have at its disposal at all...
- 9. A user inspectorate must have the means necessary to perform...
- 10. The personnel responsible for carrying out conformity assessment tasks must...
- 11. A user inspectorate must be able to demonstrate the impartiality...
- 12. The remuneration of the top level management and the personnel...
- 13. Unless liability is assumed by the group of which it...
- 14. A user inspectorate must ensure that its personnel observe professional...
- 15. Paragraph 14 does not prevent the personnel from providing information...
- 16. A user inspectorate must participate in, or ensure that its...

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- 1. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
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- 3. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
- 4. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
- 5. Where an approved body, recognised third party organisation or user...
- 6. Where, in the course of the monitoring of conformity following...
- 7. Where the approved body, recognised third party organisation or user...
- 8. Paragraph 9 applies where an approved body, recognised third party...
- 9. Where this paragraph applies, the approved body, recognised third party...
- 10. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
- 11. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
- 12. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...
- 13. An approved body, recognised third party organisation or user inspectorate...

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- 1. Enforcement powers under the 1974 Act
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- 1. Compliance notice
- 2. Withdrawal notice
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SCHEDULE 11 — EU Declaration of Conformity

- 1. ... Declaration of conformity (No xxxx)
- 2. Name and address of the manufacturer and, where applicable, his...
- 3. This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility...
- 4. Object of the declaration (identification of pressure equipment or assembly...
- 5. The object of the declaration described above is in conformity...
- 6. References to the relevant designated standards used or references to...
- 7. Where appropriate, the name, address and number of the approved...
- 8. Additional information: Signed for and on behalf of: (place and...

SCHEDULE 12 — Consequential amendments and revocations

- Amendment of the Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998
- 2. Amendment of the Provision and Use of Equipment at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999
- 3. Amendment of the Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000
- 4. Amendment of the Pressure Systems Safety Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004
- 5. Amendment of the Enterprise Act 2002 (Part 9 Restrictions on Disclosure of Information)(Specification) Order 2004
- 6. Amendment of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform (Regulatory Functions) Order 2007
- Amendment of the Legislative Reform (Health and Safety Executive) Order 2008
- 8. Amendment of the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008
- 9. Amendment of the Co-ordination of Regulatory Enforcement (Regulatory Functions in Scotland and Northern Ireland) Order 2009
- 10. Amendment of the Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulations 2015
- 11. Amendment of the Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015
- 12. Amendment of the Consumer Rights Act 2015

Explanatory Note

Changes to legislation:

The Pressure Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 08 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. View outstanding changes

Changes and effects yet to be applied to:

- Sch. 2 para. 31(8) omitted by S.I. 2019/696 Sch. 24 para. 45(c) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Amending words in Sch. 24 para. 45(c) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2019/1246, regs. 1(3), 14(c))
- reg. 2(1) words omitted by S.I. 2024/696 reg. 15(2)
- reg. 2(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/696 Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(c) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(c) omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1460, reg. 1(4), Sch. 3 para. 3)
- reg. 2(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/696 Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(m) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(m) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/676, regs. 1(1), 4(12)(a))
- reg. 2(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/696 Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(p) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(p) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/676, regs. 1(1), 4(12)(b))
- reg. 2(1) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/696, Sch. 24 para. 2(2)(c) by S.I. 2020/852 reg. 4(2)Sch. 1 para. 1(m)(i) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 1 para. 1(m)(i) omitted immediately before it comes into force by virtue of S.I. 2020/1460, regs. 1(3), Sch. 4 para. 1(3))
- reg. 39C substituted by S.I. 2024/696 reg. 15(3)
- reg. 88A(4)-(6) omitted by S.I. 2024/696 reg. 15(4)