CE marking
The fast route to compliance in the European Union
CE marking on a product is the manufacturer’s declaration that the product complies with the essential requirements of all the Directives that apply to it. It indicates to the appropriate bodies that the product may be legally offered for sale in their country.

The requirements for CE marking differ across all the Directives and may also vary for different products within a Directive. Depending on the product, CE marking may be as simple as formulating a technical file, or as complex as having to submit your products to regular independent scrutiny. Third party testing, systems assessment and technical file assessments may be mandatory, but sometimes the manufacturer’s unverified claim is all that’s asked for.

How can BSI help you with CE marking?

Where a Directive requires products or systems to be independently tested, certified or inspected you will need to use the services of a “Notified”, “Competent” or “Approved” Body. This is an organisation that has been notified to the European Commission by a Member State. BSI is a Notified Body (number 0086) for many of the European New Approach Directives.

Requirements for CE marking range from a manufacturer’s declaration, up to mandatory full Notified Body assessment of the product and manufacturing controls.

When you choose BSI, you can be confident that you will benefit from our experience and expertise as a Notified Body.
BSI – your route to compliance

We strive to deliver outstanding value to our customer base. At every step of the CE marking process, we are committed to your success by providing rapid turnaround, value-based pricing, technical assistance, key account management and accurate reporting.

These commitments enable our clients to improve the quality of their products, the image of their brand and get their products to market quickly and efficiently. The measure of success of our long-term client partnerships is not only based on greater product safety and performance, but also in our client’s financial return on their investment.

BSI is currently a Notified Body for the following New European Directives and Regulations:

- Low Voltage (LVD) 2006/95/EC
- Construction Products (CPR) 305/2011
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 89/686/EEC
- Non-automatic Weighing Machines (NAWI) 2009/23/EC
- Active Implantable Medical Devices (AIMDD) 90/385/EEC
- Appliances Burning Gaseous Fuels (GAD) 2009/142/EC
- Hot Water Boilers (BED) 92/42/EEC
- Medical Devices (MDD) 93/42/EEC
- Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) 2004/108/EC
- Marine Equipment (MED) 96/98/EC
- Pressure Equipment (PED) 97/23/EC
- Simple Pressure vessels 2009/105/EC
- Transportable Pressure Equipment (TPED) 2010/35/EU
- Radio Equipment & Telecommunications Terminal Equipment (RTTE) 1999/5/EC
- Equipment to be used in potentially explosive atmospheres (ATEX) 94/9/EC (ATEX)
- Measuring Instrument Directive (MID) 2004/22/EC
- In Vitro Diagnostics Directive (IVDD) 98/79/EC

BSI make the CE marking process simple

Compliance can be a complex and somewhat daunting process. The CE marking requirements vary from Directive to Directive, and even within Directives. Our team of experts understand all these requirements and can help and advise you throughout every step of the process, from identifying appropriate Directives, to correct application of the CE mark on your product.

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Why choose BSI as your Notified Body?

BSI will deliver a comprehensive and tailored service to take a product through the CE marking process quickly and efficiently. The BSI experts assigned to work with you will be able to advise every step of the way. Our aim is to provide a high quality, fast, reliable and stress-free service to meet your deadlines.

BSI carries out independent testing and assessments on products before they go on sale in the EU, whether CE marking is mandatory or not. This gives manufacturers confidence and is sound evidence of due diligence through the approval of one of the world’s most respected testing and certification bodies.

BSI offers all the services required by the European Directives and Regulations such as:

- Standards identification
- Technical file evaluation
- Gap Analysis
- Initial type testing
- Type Examination
- Quality system assessment
- Factory production control (FPC) system assessment
- EC Certificate or Certificate issue (where applicable)
- Surveillance of product and quality system or FPC
- Verification certificates

To start your route to CE marking compliance with BSI, contact us:
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