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BSI UKCA marking update

For gas appliances and their fittings

What is UKCA marking and how does it affect me?

The UKCA (UK Conformity Assessed) marking is the new product marking that is required for certain products placed on the market in Great Britain (England, Wales and Scotland). It covers most products that previously required CE marking.

The UKCA marking came into force on 1 January 2021 and after 31 December 2021 only products with UKCA marking will be accepted in Great Britain.

BSI is an approved body (number 0086) for UKCA marking services and we can work with you on the required conformity assessment procedures that will allow you to affix UKCA marking to your products.

What happens if I don't get my products UKCA marked?

Most CE marking certificates will not be recognized in Great Britain after 31 December 2021, so you need to act now to ensure you can continue to place your products on the GB market after 31 December 2021.

If you currently hold CE marking certificates issued by an EU27 notified body, you will need to get new UKCA marking certificates issued by a UK approved body. BSI can provide this service. You must do this before the end of 2021. After this date your CE marking certificates will no longer be valid to place products on the market in Great Britain.

If you currently hold CE marking certificates issued by a UK notified body, then these certificates will likely be re-issued as UKCA marking certificates by your current UK notified body. If you are a BSI client with CE marking certificates issued by our UK notified body we will automatically re-issue your certificates as UKCA marking certificates. You can still apply the UKCA mark to your products before this happens.

If you wish to continue to trade in the EU27, then you will still need to have valid CE marking certificates issued by an EU27 notified body. (If you have a certificate that has been issued by a UK notified body it will not be recognized in EU27 countries from 1 January 2021). The good news is that BSI can provide CE marking services from our Netherlands notified body.

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What are the requirements for UKCA marking of gas appliances and their fittings?

At the time of writing this document from a technical perspective, the requirements between UKCA and CE marking remain the same for the time being.

This means you will need to continue meeting the requirements of the Gas Appliances Regulation (EU) 2016/426 and Boiler Efficiency Directive 92/42/EEC (where applicable) and their UK equivalents as brought into UK law and amended, which currently outline the same technical requirements and conformity assessment procedures.

The only real change is the need to affix UKCA marking to products instead of (or where appropriate certification is in hand, in addition to) CE marking. The rules for UKCA marking are the same as for CE marking, however until 1 January 2023 the mark may be affixed on an additional label where it is not practical to replace the current marking immediately.

As with CE marking, the UKCA mark is supported by the manufacturer's declaration of conformity. The requirements for this are the same as current EU declarations of conformity, except that they must now make reference to UK legislation, BS versions of standards and UKCA certificates.

How do I get a UKCA certificate?

BSI can issue UKCA marking certificates for products that fall into the scope of the current Gas Appliances Regulation (EU) 2016/426 and Boiler Efficiency Directive 92/42/EEC.

If you currently hold certificates to support CE marking from an EU notified body, we can review these and the basis for these certificates and use that evidence to issue UKCA certificates.

For type examination we will aim to accept existing test reports, risk assessments and other documentation, however in some cases we may need to see updated declarations of conformity (in case of fittings) or review product samples.

Surveillance is also required and can be arranged with BSI. If you choose to use BSI for both CE marking through our Netherlands notified body and UKCA marking through our UK approved body, we will combine the assessment activities so that there will be no duplication of audits.

Act now to preserve access to the UK market, provide reassurance to your customers, remain compliant and build resilience in your business.

Why BSI?

We are committed to working with you to build a trusted partnership as you grow your business for the long-term. When you need to keep up-to-date and comply with the latest regulatory requirements BSI is ideally placed to support your market access needs. As the UK National Standards Body with 83 offices worldwide, our global reach combined with our local presence means we are never far away and always on hand to work with you. What's more, our teams of trusted experts have an in-depth knowledge of standards and market access requirements that can enable you to successfully navigate the evolving regulatory landscape so your business remains resilient.



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