

BSI UKCA marking update

For lifts and lift safety components

What is UKCA marking and how does it affect me?

The UKCA (UK Conformity Assessed) marking is the new product marking that will be required for certain products placed on the market in Great Britain (England, Wales and Scotland). It covers most products that previously required the 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 (0086) for UKCA marking services and we can work with you on the required conformity assessment procedures that will allow you to affix the UKCA marking.

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 may need to act now to continue to trade.

If you currently hold a CE marking certificate issued by an EU27 notified body, you will need to get a new UKCA certificate 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 certificate will no longer be valid to place products on the market in Great Britain.

If you currently hold a CE marking certificate for your product and it is issued by a UK notified body, then this certificate is likely to be transferred to a UKCA marking certificate by your current UK notified body as it will not be valid for CE marking from January 2021. If you are a BSI client with a CE marking certificate issued by our UK notified body we will automatically transfer this certificate to a UKCA marking certificate.

If you wish to continue to trade in the EU27, then you will also need to have a valid CE marking certificate 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).



What are the requirements for UKCA marking of lifts and lift safety components?

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 meet the requirements of the SI 2016 No. 1093 (amended by SI 2016 No.1186) - The Lifts Regulations 2016 as amended by The Product Safety and Metrology etc. (Amendment to Extent and Meaning of Market) (EU Exit) Regulations SI 2020 No. 676 and SI 2020 No. 852). Schedule 22 refers to Lifts Regulations 2016.

There are further minor amendments to the above regulations which can be found at:

https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi

You will need to update your marking details, Declarations of Conformity and technical documentation for Lifts and Lift Safety Components to address the requirements of UKCA marking as determined by the UK Government.

If you intend to apply for UKCA for lifts that do not have a permanently available refuge space, please refer to the guidance produced jointly by BIS, the UK Association of Notified Bodies and the Lift and Escalator Industry Association (LEIA):

www.leia.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/TGN25rev1-Lifts-Directive-EHSR-2.2-Guidance-on-application-and-on-applying-to-BEIS-for-derogation-Clean.pdf

How do I get a UKCA certificate?

BSI can issue UKCA marking certificates for all types of lifts and lift safety components.

If you are a current CE certificate holder and cannot obtain the UKCA mark from your current notified body then BSI can help.

- We would need to review your existing certificates used to support your CE marking
- We would need to review all existing test, audit reports and technical documentation that support your current CE marking certification

- We will conduct a review and determine if UKCA certification can be issued based on information contained within the technical file. Further tests, audits or technical information may be required to satisfy the requirements of UKCA marking
- Once this has been reviewed and a positive recommendation made we will issue your UKCA marking certificate

Important: all documents must either be in English language or be provided with authenticated translations. BSI can offer an authenticated translation service if required.

Additional information

Where lifts and/or lifts safety components are manufactured at various locations additional to that of the certificate holder then supportive documentation must be included in the applications such as on-going surveillance visits. The additional site addresses must be included in the certificates and technical documentation.

For lifts the UK does require that refuge spaces to be permanently available and guidance as issued by the UK Government and reissued by LEIA must be noted.

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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