

Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006 on machinery, and amending Directive 95/16/EC (recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

*Article 1*

**Scope**

- 1 This Directive applies to the following products:
  - a machinery;
  - b interchangeable equipment;
  - c safety components;
  - d lifting accessories;
  - e chains, ropes and webbing;
  - f removable mechanical transmission devices;
  - g partly completed machinery.
  
- 2 The following are excluded from the scope of this Directive:
  - a safety components intended to be used as spare parts to replace identical components and supplied by the manufacturer of the original machinery;
  - b specific equipment for use in fairgrounds and/or amusement parks;
  - c machinery specially designed or put into service for nuclear purposes which, in the event of failure, may result in an emission of radioactivity;
  - d weapons, including firearms;
  - e the following means of transport:
    - [<sup>F1</sup>agricultural and forestry tractors, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on those vehicles,]
    - motor vehicles and their trailers covered by Council Directive 70/156/EEC of 6 February 1970 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of motor vehicles and their trailers<sup>(1)</sup>, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these vehicles,
    - vehicles covered by Directive 2002/24/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 March 2002 relating to the type-approval of two or three-wheel motor vehicles<sup>(2)</sup>, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these vehicles,
    - motor vehicles exclusively intended for competition, and
    - means of transport by air, on water and on rail networks with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these means of transport;
  - f seagoing vessels and mobile offshore units and machinery installed on board such vessels and/or units;
  - g machinery specially designed and constructed for military or police purposes;
  - h machinery specially designed and constructed for research purposes for temporary use in laboratories;
  - i mine winding gear;
  - j machinery intended to move performers during artistic performances;
  - k electrical and electronic products falling within the following areas, insofar as they are covered by Council Directive 73/23/EEC of 19 February 1973 on the harmonisation

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of the laws of Member States relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits<sup>(3)</sup>:

- household appliances intended for domestic use,
  - audio and video equipment,
  - information technology equipment,
  - ordinary office machinery,
  - low-voltage switchgear and control gear,
  - electric motors;
- 1 the following types of high-voltage electrical equipment:
- switch gear and control gear,
  - transformers.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Substituted by [Regulation \(EU\) No 167/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 February 2013 on the approval and market surveillance of agricultural and forestry vehicles \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).

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- (1) [OJ L 42, 23.2.1970, p. 1](#). Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2006/28/EC ([OJ L 65, 7.3.2006, p. 27](#)).
- (2) [OJ L 124, 9.5.2002, p. 1](#). Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2005/30/EC ([OJ L 106, 27.4.2005, p. 17](#)).
- (3) [OJ L 77, 26.3.1973, p. 29](#). Directive as amended by Directive 93/68/EEC ([OJ L 220, 30.8.1993, p. 1](#)).