

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Medical Devices Regulations 2002

PART IV

In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices

Determining compliance of *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices with relevant essential requirements **E+W+S**

35.—(1) In determining which are the relevant essential requirements for a particular relevant device, and whether or not it complies with any of the relevant essential requirements, account shall be taken of its intended purpose.

(2) In order to meet the essential requirements set out in Section 8 of Part B of Annex I, the information to be provided under that Section must be in English ^{F1}...

(3) A relevant device shall be presumed to comply with an essential requirement if it conforms as respects that requirement to a relevant [^{F2}designated standard].

(4) A relevant device shall be treated as complying with an essential requirement in respect of which there is an applicable common technical specification only if it is in conformity with that specification or, if for duly justified reasons the manufacturer has not complied with that specification, an equivalent or higher specification.

Extent Information

E1 This version of this provision extends to England and Wales and Scotland only; a separate version has been created for Northern Ireland only

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in reg. 35(2) omitted (E.W.S.) (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Medical Devices \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/791), regs. 1(1), **6(4)(a)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 paras. 2, **37**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**

F2 Words in reg. 35(3) substituted (E.W.S.) (31.12.2020) by [The Medical Devices \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/791), regs. 1(1), **6(4)(b)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 paras. 2, **37**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**

Determining compliance of *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices with relevant essential requirements **N.I.**

35.—(1) In determining which are the relevant essential requirements for a particular relevant device, and whether or not it complies with any of the relevant essential requirements, account shall be taken of its intended purpose.

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(2) In order to meet the essential requirements set out in Section 8 of Part B of Annex I, the information to be provided under that Section must be in English if the device may reach a final user in [^{F3}Northern Ireland], unless—

- (a) the Secretary of State, to the extent that Directive 98/79 allows him to do so, has authorised the use of another Community language or more than one other Community language; or
- (b) the relevant device is a device for self-testing, in which case the instructions for use and the label must include a translation into the official language of any member State of the Community in which the device reaches a final user.

(3) A relevant device shall be presumed to comply with an essential requirement if it conforms as respects that requirement to a relevant national standard.

(4) A relevant device shall be treated as complying with an essential requirement in respect of which there is an applicable common technical specification only if it is in conformity with that specification or, if for duly justified reasons the manufacturer has not complied with that specification, an equivalent or higher specification.

Extent Information

- E2** This version of this provision extends to Northern Ireland only; a separate version has been created for England and Wales and Scotland only

Textual Amendments

- F3** Words in [reg. 35\(2\)](#) substituted (N.I.) (31.12.2020 immediately before IP completion day) by [The Medical Devices \(Amendment etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1478\)](#), [reg. 1\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 12](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- reg. 35(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 6\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 6(4) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 37)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

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- Pt. 8 inserted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 10](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 54)
- Pt. 9 inserted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 11](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 11 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 55)
- Sch. 3 inserted by [2021 c. 3 Sch. 3 para. 2](#)
- Sch. 19 para. 5 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 12 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 11\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- Sch. 19 para. 5 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 12 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 11\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- Sch. 24 para. 1(7) heading words omitted by virtue of [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 12 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 11\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- Sch. 24 para. 1(7) words omitted by virtue of [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 12 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 11\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 4D(10)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 3(7) (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 2\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 para. 2(3) omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(a)(ii))
- reg. 4E(7) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/791](#), reg. 3(7) (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 para. 2(3) omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of [S.I. 2020/1478](#), regs. 1(2), 4(2)(a)(ii))

- reg. 6(d) inserted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 4\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 4(2) omitted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 10)
- reg. 33(1)(c) inserted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 6\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 6(2) omitted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 35)
- reg. 33(2)(c) inserted by [S.I. 2019/791 reg. 6\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Reg. 6(2) omitted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(3), Sch. 2 para. 35)
- reg. 60A excluded by [2021 c. 3 Sch. 2 para. 4](#)
- reg. 60A excluded by [2021 c. 3 Sch. 2 para. 5\(2\)](#)
- reg. 60A-60C inserted by [2021 c. 3 Sch. 3 para. 1](#)
- reg. 75(3) words inserted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 10 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 9\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 75(7) inserted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 10 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 9\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 93(4) inserted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 10 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 9\(3\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 119(6) words inserted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 10 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 9\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 124(5) words substituted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 10 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 9\(5\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 149(5)(e) words substituted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 11 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 10\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 158(1) substituted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 11 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 10\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))
- reg. 158(3) inserted by S.I. 2019/791, reg. 11 (as amended) by [S.I. 2019/1385 Sch. 2 para. 10\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 2 paras. 9-11 omitted (9.12.2020) by virtue of S.I. 2020/1478, regs. 1(2), 4(2)(c))