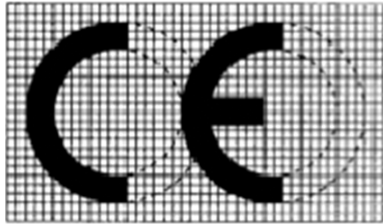


## **Affix CE marking**

- Once the necessary steps have been successfully completed, the logo can be affixed on the product.
- The marking has to be placed visibly and legibly on the product or, if not possible because of the nature of the product, be affixed to the packaging and the accompanying document. The CE marking shall consist of the initials 'CE' taking the following form:



- The various components of the CE marking must have substantially the same vertical dimension, which may not be less than 5 mm. If the CE marking is reduced or enlarged, the proportions given in the above graduated drawing must be respected.
- When the product is subject to other Directives covering other aspects and which also provide for the 'CE' marking, the accompanying documents must indicate that the product also conforms to those other Directives.

However, when one or more of those Directives allow the manufacturer, during a transitional period, to choose which arrangements to apply, the 'CE' marking has to indicate conformity only with the Directives applied by the manufacturer. In that case, particularities of the Directives applied, as published in the Official Journal of the European Union, must be given in the documents, notices or instructions required by the Directives and accompanying such products.

If a Notified Body has been involved in the conformity assessment procedure, its identification number must also be displayed.

## **Which products must (not) be CE marked?**

Not all products have to be CE marked<sup>195</sup>. The obligation to affix the CE marking extends to all products within the scope of legislative acts providing for its affixing, and which are intended for the Union market. Thus, the CE marking must be affixed:

- to all newly manufactured products that are subject to legislation providing for CE marking, whether manufactured in the Member States or in third countries;
- to used and second-hand products imported from third countries that are subject to legislation providing for CE marking;
- to modified products that, as new, are subject to legislation providing for CE marking and which have been modified in a way that could affect the safety or the compliance of the

product with the applicable harmonisation legislation.

● Union harmonisation legislation providing in general for CE marking may exclude the application of the CE marking on certain products. As a general rule, such products are subject to free circulation, if:

**a)** They are accompanied by:

- a Declaration of incorporation for partly completed machinery, according to the Machinery Directive;
- a Declaration of conformity in the case of partly completed boats referred to in the Directive on recreational craft.

**b)** They are accompanied by an attestation of conformity in the case of components as defined in the Directive on equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres (ATEX).

**c)** They are accompanied by a statement in the case of:

- custom-made medical devices and devices intended for clinical investigations referred to in the Directives on active implantable medical devices and medical devices;
- devices intended for performance evaluation referred to in the Directive on in vitro diagnostic medical devices.

**d)** They are accompanied by a certificate of conformity in the case of fittings referred to in the Directive relating to gas appliances.

**e)** The product bears the manufacturer's name and an indication of maximum capacity in the case of instruments not subject to conformity assessment according to the Directive relating to non-automatic weighing instruments.

**f)** The product is manufactured in accordance with sound engineering practice in the case of certain vessels referred to in the Directives relating to simple pressure vessels and pressure equipment.