



In order to obtain an EC type-examination certificate you will need to demonstrate to a Notified Body how the product satisfies the Essential Health and Safety Requirements (EHSRs) of the Directive.

Sira prefers to approach this by holding a project planning meeting with the client at as early a stage as possible. We hold this meeting at our site in Chester, and do not charge for it. The meeting lasts for approx 2 hours and gives you an ideal opportunity to ask questions about the certification process, and meet the engineers who conduct the work.

Discussion on EHSR's

The basic process we go through is to take each EHSR and to discuss with you how you will demonstrate that the product meets it. Obviously you will get more out of the meeting if you have done some preparatory work and considered the EHSRs in advance, but this is not essential, particularly if the product is of relatively simple design. The meeting will follow a structure based on a confidential interpretation document and a summary guide.

We will probably find that we end the meeting with three lists:

Testing

List one will be EHSR's that can be satisfied by testing and assessing to the specified European harmonised standards, or existing European or national standards.

It should be noted however that testing and assessment to a standard is not mandatory, it can be demonstrated in some other satisfactory way that the product satisfies an EHSR.

If your product complies with existing standards and is already certified, this list will usually be short.

Declarations

List two will be EHSR's that can be satisfied by a declaration from the manufacturer, or the provision by the manufacturer of some third party information. We will agree with you what is required.



Other Requirements

List three will be the few EHSRs where the product cannot be demonstrated as satisfying the requirements either by reference to harmonised standards or by a declaration.

We will discuss with you and agree the appropriate action, which may be testing to an appropriate programme, or may involve other experimental work.

It may be necessary for this testing to be undertaken by ourselves, or another approved laboratory, or in certain cases it may be acceptable for us to witness you undertake the work.

Fixed Price Quotations

Once the above lists have been prepared, a fixed price quotation will be issued for the certification exercise.

During the assessment and test phase of the work, we will liaise closely with your staff and work to a project plan and agreed dates to ensure that the project runs to meet your timescales, if at all possible.



If the product is not yet fully developed, the quotation may include time for our certification engineers to attend project meetings to advise on the certification issues. This is an optional requirement and Sira can advise whether this is necessary.

Once all the necessary information is in place to confirm that the product satisfies all the EHSRs then an EC type-examination certificate will be issued.

Quality Assurance

Quality assurance issues are a mandatory requirement and go hand-in-hand with the issue of an EC Type-Examination Certificate.

Please see our datasheet “**HOW TO OBTAIN A PRODUCTION OR PRODUCT QUALITY CERTIFICATE**” or contact Sira to discuss your QA requirements.

More Information

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