

PART I
CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES UNDER DIRECTIVE 2014/28/EU
EXPLOSIVES FOR CIVIL USES

I. General

This information specifies the order for carrying out all of the activities with respect to explosive conformity assessments procedures. The subject is to guarantee that all of the applicants are equal to the assessment process.

The explosive for assessment has to comply with the essential requirements of Directive 2014/28/EU.

The order, which has to be followed for the assessment procedure, has to be also applied during every following assessment.

The relationships between MINPROEKT EAD and the applicant for the conformity assessment have to be contracted and further arranged by an ancillary agreement.

The order for implementing supervision is described in PART VII "Supervision".

II. Obligations with respect to the applicant

The Notified body requires the applicant:

- to know and follow the procedure for explosives assessment and supervision;
- to ensure all of the necessary working conditions for the assessment team, appointed by the Notified body, when the explosive assessment has to be carried out, including the chance the documentation to be examined and an access to all of the places with records of the personnel;
- timely to pay all of the fees for the assessment and the supervision according to the contract and the ancillary agreements for assessment;
- when there is an objection, to pay the expenses for the objection to the members of the Appeals Commission and to the assessment team;
- without delay, to inform the Notified body about every change of the conditions in which the certificate/approval has been awarded;
- without delay, to inform the Notified body about claims and objections, which have been received with respect to the assessed explosives. To support by documents its measures with respect to the claims and where there is a inconformity, discovered during an internal control in the manufacture of the assessed explosives;
- not to use the certificate and/or the approval notification of the quality system so that it can do harm (property or non-property) to the Notified body, as well as not to make a declaration with respect to the certificate and/or the approval notification of the quality system;
- after the expiration of the validity of the certificate or when the certificate/approval has been restricted, temporarily suspended or withdrawn, to stop using it and to return all of the documents on the assessment, issued by the Notified body upon request.

PART II
CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT UNDER MODULE B:
EU-TYPE EXAMINATION

I. Applying for conformity assessment

The application according to Directive 2014/28/EU shall include:

- (a) the name and address of the manufacturer and, if the application is lodged by the authorised representative, his name and address as well;
- (b) a written declaration that the same application has not been lodged with any other Notified body;
- (c) the technical documentation. The technical documentation shall make it possible to assess the explosive's conformity with the applicable requirements of the Directive and shall include an adequate analysis and assessment of the risk(s). The technical documentation shall specify the applicable requirements and cover, as far as relevant for the assessment, the design, manufacture and operation of the explosive. The technical documentation shall contain wherever applicable, at least the following elements:
 - (i) a general description of the explosive;

- (ii) conceptual design and manufacturing drawings and schemes of components, sub-assemblies, circuits, etc.;
 - (iii) descriptions and explanations necessary for the understanding of those drawings and schemes and the operation of the explosive;
 - (iv) a list of the harmonised standards applied in full or in part the references of which have been published in the Official Journal of the European Union and, where those harmonised standards have not been applied, descriptions of the solutions adopted to meet the essential safety requirements of the Directive, including a list of other relevant technical specifications applied. In the event of partly applied harmonised standards, the technical documentation shall specify the parts which have been applied;
 - (v) results of design calculations made, examinations carried out, etc.;
 - (vi) test reports;
- (d) the specimens representative of the production envisaged. The Notified body may request further specimens if needed for carrying out the test programme;
- (e) the supporting evidence for the adequacy of the technical design solution. This supporting evidence shall mention any documents that have been used, in particular where the relevant harmonised standards have not been applied in full. The supporting evidence shall include, where necessary, the results of tests carried out in accordance with other relevant technical specifications by the appropriate laboratory of the manufacturer, or by another testing laboratory on his behalf and under his responsibility.

The relevant forms will be sent to the applicant to fill them in along with the assessment process information during the initial correspondence.

If the documents submitted are not complete, the Leading assessor shall require additional information. If the applicant does not submit all the necessary documentation a proffer to the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD the procedure to be suspended shall be made.

Within 10 (ten) days after the necessary documentation is submitted a contract shall be signed.

After contracting the application form shall be registered and all of the terms, established in this procedure, shall commence.

II. Examination of the technical documentation

The period for carrying out the examination of the technical documentation is no more than 1 (one) month after signing the contract.

The Leading assessor shall require additional information from the applicant with respect to the conditions of the explosive assessment if the presented information in the documents is insufficient for the expert conclusion. In that case the examination of the technical documentation period shall be prolonged with the period necessary to submit the information.

For all nonconformities, which have been found, non-conformity reports have to be made.

The period for carrying out the examination shall be prolonged with the period necessary for the nonconformities to be removed.

When the expert conclusion is affirmative the procedure shall continue with product conformity assessment.

When the expert conclusion is negative the applicant shall be informed in writing about the result.

The decision for ceasing the assessment procedure shall be made by the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD and the applicant shall be informed via official letter.

III. Sample testing

After the examination of the technical documentation is through the applicant shall provide the Notified body with a specimen of the explosive for the testing.

A testing report shall be drawn up with respect to the results of the testing.

IV. Product type examination

The Notified body verifies that the specimen(s) have been manufactured in conformity with the technical documentation and identify the elements which have been designed in accordance with the applicable provisions of the relevant harmonised standards, as well as the elements which have been designed in accordance with other relevant technical specifications.

The deadline for carrying out the type examination of an explosive shall be no longer than 3 (three) months. It can be prolonged with the period necessary for correction activities to be carried out.

Within 7 (seven) days after the type examination procedure has been completed the Leading assessor shall suggest to the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD a certificate to be either issued, or declined, or, if it is necessary, a partial testing to be carried out again based on an evaluation report that records the activities undertaken in accordance with PART II (IV) "Examination of the technical documentation" and their outcomes. One copy of the report shall be sent to the applicant. Without prejudice to its obligations vis-à-vis the notifying

authorities, the Notified body shall release the content of that report, in full or in part, only with the agreement of the manufacturer.

If the report has a negative conclusion, the applicant can raise a written objection to the Appeals Commission at MINPROEKT EAD within 10 (ten) days after he has received the report.

V. Decision for issuing a certificate

The decision for issuing a certificate shall be made by the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD on the basis of the information that has been submitted during the process of the assessment or any other information considering the case.

Where the type meets the requirements of this Directive that apply to the explosive concerned, the Notified body shall issue an EU-type examination certificate to the manufacturer.

Where the type does not satisfy the applicable requirements of this Directive, the Notified body shall refuse to issue an EU-type examination certificate and shall inform the applicant accordingly, giving detailed reasons for its refusal.

The manufacturer shall inform the Notified body that holds the technical documentation relating to the EU-type examination certificate of all modifications to the approved type that may affect the conformity of the explosive with the essential safety requirements of this Directive or the conditions for validity of that certificate. Such modifications shall require additional approval in the form of supplement to the original EU-type examination certificate.

The Notified body informs its Notifying authority (State Agency for Metrological and Technical surveillance, Bulgaria) and the other Notified bodies, available at the official register of the EC (NANDO), for the EU-type examination certificates and their supplements that it has issued, refused to issue, suspended or in other way restricted.

PART III

CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT UNDER MODULE C2

Conformity to type based on internal production control plus supervised product checks at random intervals

I. Applying for conformity assessment

The applicant can apply for assessment under this procedure after being successfully assessed under MODULE B: EU-TYPE EXAMINATION.

The order for applying and the activities of the Notified body are stated in PART II (I) “Applying for conformity assessment”.

If the conformity assessment under MODULE B EU-TYPE EXAMINATION has been carried out by another explosives conformity assessment Notified body, published in the official register of the European commission (NANDO), the applicant shall submit a copy of the issued product’s EU-type examination certificate and the technical dossier.

II. Examination of the technical documentation

The examination of the technical documentation is carried out according to PART II (II) “Examination of the technical documentation”, if another Notified body has carried out the conformity assessment under MODULE B: EU-TYPE EXAMINATION.

III. Assessment on site

When there is assessment on site of production the assessment team shall examine if all of the necessary measures for ensuring the manufacturing process in order to guarantee the explosive’s conformity to the type, described in the EU-type examination certificate, have been taken.

The assessment team shall witness the activities during the explosive manufacture.

The assessment on site includes:

- organization of the manufacturing process;
- control of the raw materials and products used;
- control of the product manufacturing process;
- control of the final product;
- packaging and storage of the final product;
- sampling for testing.

IV. Sample testing

The Notified body shall carry out appropriate examinations and tests in order to check the conformity of the explosives with the approved type described in the EU-type examination certificate and with the appropriate requirements of the Directive.

The sample testing has to be carried out according to the standardized methods.

A testing report is drawn up with respect to the testing results.

V. Product assessment

The period for carrying out the assessment of an explosive on all the stages of the procedure shall be no longer than 3 (three) months.

On the basis of the information that has been submitted the Notified body implements the conformity assessment procedure under the requirements of Directive 2014/28/EU, the legislative documents implementing the Directive and all other relevant legislative acts of the Republic of Bulgaria, and the established procedures for conformity assessment of Notified body MINPROEKT.

If there are non-conformities, the procedure is ceased.

VI. Decision for issuing a certificate

See PART II (V) "Decision for issuing a certificate".

VII. Issuing a certificate

Certificate for MODULE C2: "Conformity to type based on internal production control plus supervised product checks at random intervals" shall be issued under an order of the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD.

The Notified body shall inform the other explosives conformity assessment Notified bodies, published in the official register of the European commission (NANDO), about the certificates that have already been issued or have been announced as invalid.

The manufacturer shall, under the responsibility of the Notified body, affix the Notified body's identification number during the manufacturing process on each and every explosive.

PART IV

CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT UNDER MODULE D

Conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process

I. Applying for a conformity assessment

According to Directive 2014/28/EU the manufacturer shall lodge an application for assessment of his quality system with the Notified body of his choice, for the explosives concerned.

The application shall include:

- (a) the name and address of the manufacturer and, if the application is lodged by the authorised representative, his name and address as well;
- (b) a written declaration that the same application has not been lodged with any other Notified body;
- (c) all relevant information for the explosive category envisaged;
- (d) the documentation concerning the quality system;
- (e) the technical documentation of the approved type and a copy of the EU-type examination certificate.

II. Examination of the Quality System documentation

According to the Directive the quality system shall ensure that the explosives are in conformity with the type described in the EU-type examination certificate and comply with the requirements of the Directive that apply to them.

All the elements, requirements and provisions adopted by the manufacturer shall be documented in a systematic and orderly manner in the form of written policies, procedures and instructions.

The quality system documentation shall permit a consistent interpretation of the quality programmes, plans, manuals and records.

It shall, in particular, contain an adequate description of:

- (a) the quality objectives and the organisational structure, responsibilities and powers of the management with regard to product quality;
- (b) the corresponding manufacturing, quality control and quality assurance techniques, processes and systematic actions that will be used;
- (c) the examinations and tests that will be carried out before, during and after manufacture, and the frequency with which they will be carried out;
- (d) the quality records, such as inspection reports and test data, calibration data, qualification reports on the personnel concerned, etc.;

(e) the means of monitoring the achievement of the required product quality and the effective operation of the quality system.

The period for examination of the documentation is not more than one month. If the information included in the documentation is insufficient, the period for the documentation expertise is prolonged with the time for submission of the requested additional information.

The examination of the technical documentation is carried out also according to PART II (II) "Examination of the technical documentation", when another Notified body has carried out the conformity assessment under procedure MODULE B: EU-TYPE EXAMINATION.

For the results a report is drawn up. It consists of conclusion on whether the documentation complies to the requirements of the technical documentation.

The conditions for ceasing the assessment procedure are stated in PART VIII "SUSPENSION, RESTRICTION, TEMPORARY SUSPENSION, OR WITHDRAWAL OF CERTIFICATE/APPROVAL"

III. Assessment of the manufacture Quality Management System

The assessment of the quality system has to be carried by an auditing team /including a technical expert/ on the production site. The performed activities shall include:

- an audit at the production site;
- drawing up a report for the results from the audit with a proposal for the decision;
- annual surveillance on the approved Quality system.

The Notified body shall assess the quality system to determine whether it satisfies the requirements of the Directive.

At the closing meeting of the audit the Leading auditor shall draw up a report on the results from the audit, to inform about the outlined un Conformities and about the coordinated correction activities with the deadlines, determined for their accomplishment.

The decision shall be notified to the manufacturer. The notification shall contain the conclusions of the audit and a reasoned assessment decision.

The manufacturer shall keep the Notified body informed of any intended change to the quality system.

The Notified body shall evaluate any proposed changes and decide whether the modified quality system will continue to satisfy the requirements or whether a reassessment is necessary. It shall notify the manufacturer of its decision. The notification shall contain the conclusions of the examination and the reasoned assessment decision.

IV. Decision for issuing a Quality System approval

The decision for issuing a Quality System approval shall be made by the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD on the basis of the proposal made by the Leading assessor and supported by the documentation from the audit report.

The manufacturer shall affix the CE marking, and, under the responsibility of the Notified body, the latter's identification number to each individual explosive that is in conformity to the type described in the EU-type examination certificate and satisfies the applicable requirements of the Directive.

PART V

CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT UNDER MODULE F

Conformity to type based on product verification

I. Applying for conformity assessment

The order for applying and the activities of the Notified body are stated in PART II (I) "Applying for conformity assessment".

The applicant can apply for assessment under this procedure after being successfully assessed under MODULE B: EU-TYPE EXAMINATION.

If the conformity assessment under Module B has been carried out by another explosives conformity assessment Notified body, published in the official register of the European commission (NANDO), the applicant shall submit a copy of the issued product's EU-type examination certificate and the technical dossier.

II. Examination of the technical documentation

The examination of the technical documentation is carried out according to PART II (II) "Examination of the technical documentation", if another Notified body, published in the official register of the European commission (NANDO), has carried out the conformity assessment procedure under MODULE B: EU-TYPE EXAMINATION.

III. Sample testing

The Notified body shall carry out appropriate examinations and tests in order to check the conformity of the explosives with the approved type described in the EU-type examination certificate and with the appropriate requirements of the Directive.

The sample testing has to be carried out according to the standardized methods.

A testing report is drawn up with respect to the testing results.

IV. Product verification

See PART III (V) "Product assessment".

The examinations and tests to check the conformity of the explosives with the appropriate requirements shall be carried out, at the choice of the manufacturer, either by examination and testing of every product or by examination and testing of the explosives on a statistical basis.

IV.1. Verification of conformity by examination and testing of every product

All explosives shall be individually examined and appropriate tests set out in the relevant harmonised standard(s) and/or equivalent tests set out in other relevant technical specifications shall be carried out in order to verify conformity with the approved type described in the EU-type examination certificate and with the appropriate requirements of this Directive. In the absence of such a harmonised standard, the Notified body concerned shall decide on the appropriate tests to be carried out.

The Notified body shall issue a certificate of conformity in respect of the examinations and tests carried out, and shall affix its identification number to each approved explosive or have it affixed under its responsibility.

IV.2. Statistical verification of conformity

The manufacturer shall take all measures necessary so that the manufacturing process and its monitoring ensure the homogeneity of each lot produced, and shall present his explosives for verification in the form of homogeneous lots.

A random sample shall be taken from each lot. All explosives in a sample shall be individually examined and appropriate tests set out in the relevant harmonised standard(s) and/or equivalent tests set out in other relevant technical specifications, shall be carried out in order to verify their conformity with the approved type described in the EU-type examination certificate and with the applicable requirements of this Directive and to determine whether the lot is accepted or rejected.

In the absence of such a harmonised standard, the Notified body concerned shall decide on the appropriate tests to be carried out.

If a lot is accepted, all explosives of the lot shall be considered approved, except for those explosives from the sample that have been found not to satisfy the tests.

If a lot is rejected, the Notified body or the competent authority shall take appropriate measures to prevent the placing on the market of that lot. In the event of the frequent rejection of lots the Notified body may suspend the statistical verification and take appropriate measures.

V. Decision for issuing a certificate

See PART II (V) "Decision for issuing a certificate".

VI. Issuing a certificate

The certificate for MODULE F: "Conformity to type based on product verification" shall be issued by order of the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD. The Notified body shall issue a certificate of conformity in respect to the examinations and tests carried out. The issued certificate is only valid for the examined product (batch).

The manufacturer shall affix the CE marking, and, under the responsibility of the Notified body, the latter's identification number to each individual explosive that is in conformity with the approved type described in the EU-type examination certificate and satisfies the applicable requirements of the Directive.

PART VI CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT UNDER MODULE G Conformity based on unit verification

I. Applying for a conformity assessment

The order for applying and the activities of the Notified body are stated in PART II (I) "Applying for conformity assessment".

II. Examination of the technical documentation

The examination of the technical documentation is carried out according to PART II (II) “Examination of the technical documentation”.

III. Product testing

The sample testing has to be carried out according to the standardized methods.

A testing report is drawn up with respect to the testing results.

IV. Product verification

See PART III (V) “Product assessment”.

The Notified body shall carry out appropriate examinations and tests, set out in the relevant harmonised standards and/or equivalent tests set out in other relevant technical specifications, to check the conformity of the explosive with the applicable requirements of the Directive, or have them carried out. In the absence of such a harmonised standard the Notified body shall decide on the appropriate tests to be carried out.

On the basis of all of the information which has been already collected the Assessment Commission shall draw up an official evaluation report.

V. Decision for issuing a certificate

See PART II (V) “Decision for issuing a certificate”.

VI. Issuing a certificate

A certificate for Conformity based on unit verification shall be issued by order of the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD.

The Notified body shall issue a certificate of conformity in respect of the examinations and tests carried out. It is only individual and valid for the concrete verified product.

The manufacturer shall affix the CE marking and, under the responsibility of the Notified body, the latter’s identification number to each explosive that satisfies the applicable requirements of the Directive.

PART VII SUPERVISION

I. General

Supervision of a product or quality system assessed under the provisions of Directive 2014/28/EU shall be carried out after an ancillary agreement to the contract is signed. The amount for the supervision is determined in an annex to the ancillary agreement according to the approved pricelist of MINPROEKT EAD.

II. Supervision process

The supervision shall be carried out on the basis of:

- annual supervision plan of MINPROEKT EAD for carrying periodical check on assessed products or surveillance audits of an assessed quality system.
- signals received in MINPROEKT EAD with respect to breaches made by a certified client, published or announced in the media; incorrect reference of the certificate for conformity; misleading usage of the possessed certificate in advertisements, catalogues, etc. (supervision by signal);
- ascertainment of deviations during product testing, management or manufacture amendments.

The period for the next supervision is at most one year. If the client prevents in any way the planned or sudden supervision the validity of the certificate shall be suspended.

III. Procedure of supervision

The applicant and the supervision team sign an ancillary agreement and cohere the plan for the visit.

If there are any insignificant unconformities that have been found during the supervision they are being registered in an unconformities form. The correction activities that have been undertaken for removing these unconformities are being registered.

The period for removing the unconformities is not more than 1 (one) month from the date of the supervision.

If there are significant unconformities in the applicant’s manufacture activities regarding the assessed explosive during the term of the validity of the certificate for conformity, the decrees in PART VIII “SUSPENSION, RESTRICTION, TEMPORARY SUSPENSION, OR WITHDRAWAL OF CERTIFICATE/APPROVAL” shall be applied.

When there are no nonconformities or they have been removed during the supervision on site the applicant shall be informed in writing that the validity of the certificate/approval recommences.

Supervision shall take place under the following conformity assessment procedures:

- MODULE C2: Conformity to type based on internal production control plus supervised product checks at random intervals;
- MODULE D: Conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process.

III.1. Supervision under Module C2: “Product checks”

The Notified body shall carry out product checks or have them carried out at random intervals determined by that body, in order to verify the quality of the internal checks on the explosive, taking into account, inter alia, the technological complexity of the explosives and the quantity of production. An adequate sample of the final products, taken on site by the Notified body before the placing on the market, shall be examined and appropriate tests as identified by the relevant parts of the harmonised standards and/or equivalent tests set out in other relevant technical specifications, shall be carried out to check the conformity of the explosive with the type described in the EU-type examination certificate and with the relevant requirements of the Directive.

If there are no nonconformities or they have been removed the validity of the certificate continues. If there are nonconformities to the characteristics in the EU type examination certificate and changes in the conditions under which the certificate was awarded found during the visit on-site the certificate of conformity shall be restricted temporarily suspended or withdrawn.

III.2. Supervision under Module D: “Surveillance under the responsibility of the Notified body”

The manufacturer shall, for assessment purposes, allow the Notified body access to the manufacture, inspection, testing and storage sites and shall provide it with all necessary information, in particular:

- (a) the quality system documentation;
- (b) the quality records, such as inspection reports and test data, calibration data, qualification reports on the personnel concerned, etc.

The Notified body shall carry out periodic audits to make sure that the manufacturer maintains and applies the quality system and shall provide the manufacturer with an audit report.

In addition, the Notified body may pay unexpected visits to the manufacturer. During such visits the Notified body may, if necessary, carry out product tests, or have them carried out, in order to verify that the quality system is functioning correctly. The Notified body shall provide the manufacturer with a visit report.

IV. Control over the Notified body identification number use

The Notified body shall control the use of the identification number in accordance with the Ordinances transposing Directive 2014/28/EU and Directive 2008/43/EC.

The unlawful use of the identification number shall be sanctioned.

The responsibility for the proper use of the identification number of the Notified body and the labelling of the product is of the manufacturer.

The CE marking and the identification number confirm the conformity of the product in accordance with the essential safety requirements under Directive 2014/28/EU.

If the validity of the certificate has expired or the certificate is restricted, temporarily suspended or withdrawn the manufacturer should stop marking the relevant products with the identification number of the Notified body and cease the use of the identification number in advertising prints or editions, company web-sites or any other related to the assessed product issues.

PART VIII SUSPENSION, RESTRICTION, TEMPORARY SUSPENSION, OR WITHDRAWAL OF CERTIFICATE/APPROVAL

I. Assessment procedure suspension and certificate/approval issuance refusal take place when:

I.1. Technical documentation or Quality System documentation examination

The suspension of the assessment procedure for conformity assessment may take place if the information in the submitted documentation is incomplete or missing. The period for examination is prolonged with the time for receiving the requested information but with not more than one month. If the information is not provided the assessment procedure is ceased by order of the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD.

If there is negative conclusion of the examination the applicant is informed in writing for the results of the expertise and the decision for ceasing the procedure by the Executive Director.

I.2. Product or Quality System assessment

The decision of suspension of the assessment procedure and refusal of issuance of certificate/approval is taken by the Executive Director, based on the information from the evaluation report and any other related to the case:

- the results of the testing show nonconformity of the product to the type;
- during the quality system assessment one or more nonconformities to the applicable essential requirements or the methodology of the Notified body are found.

The decision for conformity assessment procedure suspension and refusal for awarding certificate/approval is taken by the Executive Director based on the information from the assessment process and any other concerning the case.

The applicant is informed with an official letter and can object within 10 (ten) days from receiving the notification of refusal to the Appeals Commission of MINPROEKT EAD in writing.

I.3. By applicant's request

The applicant can request suspension of the assessment procedure by sending an official letter to the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD.

II. Restriction of the scope of awarded certificate/approval

The scope of the certificate/approval shall be restricted when there are nonconformities of the characteristics of the relevant product to the ones described in the EU type examination certificate established during supervision or by other means. There should be necessary objective evidences that there are circumstances that affect the safety and the conformity to the requirements of the type characteristics are present.

In cases of restriction of the scope the client should forthwith cease the use of the Notified body identification number on the products excluded from the scope of the certificate/approval. There should be no statement of the conformity of these products to the essential safety requirements.

After the definite restriction period is over the scope can be resumed. Depending on the assessment procedure the take into account every necessary actions in order to collect objective evidences that the product complies with the safety requirements. On resuming the scope of a certificate/approval the client is allowed to affix the identification number of the Notified body.

III. Temporary suspension

The certificate for assessment can be temporarily suspended for a period of up to one year if nonconformities of the characteristics to the ones described in the EU type certificate are established during supervision or by other means like:

- there are changes that have temporary influence on the scope of the certificate (changes in the legal status, management, policy, structure, technical means);
- non-observance of the fees deadline for annual surveillance with respect to the issued certificate.
- voluntary official letter from the applicant for temporary suspension of the certificate's validity.

In cases of temporal suspension of the scope the client should forthwith cease the use of the Notified body identification number on the products. There should be no statement of the conformity of these products to the essential safety requirements.

After the defined period of temporal suspension the validity of the certificate/approval can be continued by order of the Executive Director and the Notified body informs the client that can affix the identification number on products.

IV. Withdrawal

The certificate shall be withdrawn when:

- there are signals for breaching by the beneficiary of the certificate received in MINPROEKT EAD;
- there is detection of non-compliance of the product characteristics with those described in the EU-type examination certificate;
- significant discrepancies and corrective actions not realized within the prescribed period are found;
- there are certificate's scope deviations;
- published or publicized critical materials in the media or incorrect references to the conformity certification;
- there is misleading use of the provided certification in advertisements, catalogues and more (supervision by signal);
- there are deviations in control tests in accordance with the Bulgarian legislative documents;
- there are documents with incorrect contents with respect to the assessed explosive issued;

- there are significant changes in the quality system and the technical personnel competence for which the applicant has not informed the Notified body in writing within 1 (one) month after the changes;
- there is non-observance of the clauses in the contract with MINPROEKT EAD;
- significant nonconformities and not performed corrective actions within the prescribed period are found;
- changes that have occurred and have been officially published are not being observed.

The Assessment Commission review the submitted information and decide for each particular case if the necessary objective evidences that can affect the safety and the conformity of the relevant type.

Applicants whose certification had been withdrawn are not entitled to recover their initial document. They shall once again apply for conformity assessment according to the explosive assessment procedure.

If the certificate had been withdrawn under particularly significant and/or intentionally breaching with respect to the safety of people and/or the environment by the manufacturer MINPROEKT EAD can refuse to open a procedure for assessment within 5(five) years after the certification had been withdrawn.

In cases of withdrawal the client should forthwith cease the use of the Notified body identification number on the products. There should be no statement of the conformity of these products to the essential safety requirements.

The decision for restriction, temporary suspension, or withdrawal of the certification shall be taken by the Executive Director of MINPROEKT EAD on the basis of the information and the documentation submitted together with the supervision report.

The Notified body shall inform in writing the applicant within 10 (ten) days from the date of the Director's order. Along with the official letter a copy of the order and the report shall be sent.

If there is any disagreement with the decision for restriction, temporary suspension, or withdrawal of the certification within 10 (ten) days from the date when the official letter had been received, the applicant can raise a written objection to the Appeals Commission of MINPROEKT EAD.

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

All deadlines for implementation of the assessment procedure shall enter into force after signing a contract.

All terms are extended by the period of holding of corrective actions by the customer in case of discrepancies.

MINPROEKT EAD shall inform within 1 (one) month the authorities concerned for amendments in the proceedings. The procedures and any amendments thereto shall be kept in MINPROEKT EAD.

The files of the assessed products are stored in MINPROEKT EAD for a period of ten (10) years from the last date of manufacture of the product, subject to the trade secret information.