

Directive 2014/68/EU**Adopted by CLAP:** 24/06/2015**Directive Reference:** Article 6 § 4**Object:** Technical reference's change during validity period of a type conformity**Question:**

Paragraph 4 of Article 6 states: "Manufacturers shall ensure that procedures are in place for series production to remain in conformity with this Directive. Changes in design or characteristics of pressure equipment or assemblies and changes in the harmonised standards or in other technical specifications by reference to which conformity of pressure equipment or assemblies is declared shall be adequately taken into account".

For type conformity assessment, does evolution of a harmonized standard questions the conformity of declared type certificate?

Answer:

No, type certificate is valid for 10 years. As any modification was implemented in the design, manufacturing process, procurement specifications, technical characteristics of the equipment... there is no obligation to take into account Harmonized standards' changes.

However, notified body follows technical development generally accepted and it can, as such, request from the manufacturer if this technical development questions the initial type assessment, during the 10 years validity.