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Subject: Classification – Classification of fluids: Directive 67/548/EC or CLP Regulation

Question:

Article 9 classifies fluids with reference to Article 2 (2) of Directive 67/548/EEC. This directive will be repealed by the Regulation No 1272/2008 ("CLP Regulation"). In this regulation the classification of some substances has changed. Which document shall be used for the determination of the fluid group and then the applicable category of pressure equipment?

Answer:

The classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC shall be used provided the PED is not amended or revised on this issue but not after 1 June 2015 when the Directive 67/548/EEC is repealed.

Reason: The Classification in the PED refers to a restricted range of risks related to substances to categorize items of pressure equipment for their pressure hazard.

The impact of the CLP Regulation on the classification of items of pressure equipment will be assessed, and an appropriate update of Directive 97/23/EC will be proposed before 1 June 2015.