

**Directive 97/23/CE****Keywords:**

Placing on the market

Being put into service

Used pressure equipment

**Directive reference:**

Article 2 - 97/23 EC

Article 4 - 97/23 EC

**Adopted by CLAP:****16/01/1997****Subject:** New approach – New equipment**Question:** Does the directive only apply to the new equipment?**Answer:**

The Directive applies for the first placing of equipment on the market or for equipment being put into service for the first time within the European area.

As a consequence, it applies to new equipment or to second hand equipment coming from a country outside from the European area (see CLAP 135 - Guideline 10/1 and CLAP 136 - Guideline 10/2).

See chapter 2 of the "Guide to the Implementation of Directives Based on New Approach and Global Approach".

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