



## BREXIT AND THE IMPACT ON PPE CERTIFICATION

Since January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021, a CE (Certificates, EU) mark granted by United Kingdom Notified Bodies is no longer recognised by the European Union. Since then, the European PPE EU regulation 2016/425 was translated and amended into UK law, and this Regulation is therefore now effective in both the EU and the UK.

The policy measures announced initially to legally sell PPE in the UK market were giving just one viable way of ensuring UKCA compliance: it must first be assessed and certified by a UK Approved Body to ensure compliance with the requirements of the PPE Regulation 2016/425, and then subsequently affixed with the relevant UKCA mark. Recently there were new UKCA transitional easement measures announced by the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS), this is to take a pragmatic approach to implementing the UKCA mark and to make the transition as easy as possible for businesses. The new measures allow EU Type Examination certificates to be used as a basis for UKCA marking, until these certificates expire (which is latest 31<sup>st</sup> December 2027). The goods must still bear the UKCA marking as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025. The manufacturer can apply the UKCA marking, and the UK importer details via a sticky label onto the product packaging or via an accompanying document (i.e., IFU (Instructions for Use)) until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2027. After the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2027, the UKCA marking must be printed directly onto the product packaging or product (as applicable).

In summary, to legally sell PPE in the European Union and the UK, it must be dual certified and therefore dual marked with CE and UKCA marks as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025.

### WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR YOUR ANSELL PPE?

As a leader in PPE, Ansell is at the forefront of ensuring compliance to the new UK and existing EU PPE Regulations.

Ansell has selected the following EU 'Notified Bodies' and UK 'Approved Bodies' to perform the required PPE conformity assessments

	Notified Bodies (CE)	Approved Bodies (UKCA)
Gloves, Sleeves	Centexbel	Satra
AlphaTec <sup>®</sup> Isolator Gloves	Centexbel	Satra
AlphaTec <sup>®</sup> Body Protection	SGS Fimko	SGS UK
	BSI Netherlands	BSI UK
	DEKRA	BSI UK
	FORCE	FORCE UK
BioClean <sup>™</sup> Goggles	Intertek Italy	Intertek UK
BioClean <sup>™</sup> Gloves, Isolator Gloves & Body Protection	Centexbel/ SGS Finland	EU-type certificates will be used as a basis for UKCA marking certification
Sandel FFP respiratory masks, Aprons 56-100 PVC-45G and 56-101 PVC-45W and chemical sleeve 59-001 VSB-8-HS	Centexbel	EU-type certificates will be used as a basis for UKCA marking certification

All Ansell products will be fully compliant with CE & UKCA marking requirements, including UK declarations of conformity at [www.ansell.com/regulatory](http://www.ansell.com/regulatory) before the required deadlines. In most instances, our PPE products will have the UKCA marking informations as of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023, whilst exceptionally and for sustainability reasons, few products will have the UKCA markings slightly later until we have depleted old available stock without the UKCA markings.

We have taken every step necessary to ensure our products are fully compliant prior to regulatory deadlines. Furthermore, we are recognised and approved under the British Safety Industry Federation (BSIF) Registered Safety Supplier Scheme, ensuring that our products always meet all PPE statutory requirements in the UK. You can [#TrustAnsell](#) and be assured that our products are compliant with both the UK and EU Regulations for PPE.

**If you have any questions or would need any further information do not hesitate to reach out to your Ansell Sales Representative.**