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UK announces indefinite extension of recognition for the use of the CE mark

On August 1, 2023, the Department for Business and Trade (DBT) announced an indefinite extension to the use of the CE marking for businesses. December 31, 2024 was originally set as the deadline for the replacement of the CE mark by the UKCA mark. Considering the resistance of the industry and manufacturers, many enterprises are still trying to get rid of the impact of the COVID-19 epidemic and high inflation. Implementing the new regulations at this time will increase a lot of costs. As part of the government's push for smarter regulation, this delay will reduce the cost and time required for businesses to enter the market, and benefit consumers.

The government intends to extend recognition of the CE marking for placing most goods on the market in Great Britain, indefinitely, beyond December 2024. These updates apply to the 18 regulations that fall under the Department for Business and Trade (DBT). These are:

- toys
- pyrotechnics
- recreational craft and personal watercraft
- simple pressure vessels
- electromagnetic compatibility
- non-automatic weighing instruments
- measuring instruments
- measuring container bottles
- lifts
- equipment for potentially explosive atmospheres (ATEX)
- radio equipment
- pressure equipment
- personal protective equipment (PPE)
- gas appliances
- machinery
- equipment for use outdoors
- aerosols
- low voltage electrical equipment

The extension will provide businesses with flexibility and choice to use either the UKCA or CE approach to sell products in Great Britain. This means that products with the CE mark will still be recognized in the UK market within the specified time frame, without the need for additional certification according to UK regulations.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-government-announces-extension-of-ce-mark-recognition-for-businesses>

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