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This guidance is for England, Scotland and Wales

It is mandatory for manufacturers to draw up a declaration of performance and apply CE marking to any of their construction products that are covered by a harmonised European standard (hEN), or conform to a European Technical Assessment (ETA) that has been issued for them, when such a product is placed on the market.

EU Regulation (EU) 305/2011 *laying down harmonised conditions for the marketing of construction products* covers four main elements:

- system of harmonised technical specifications
- agreed system of conformity assessment for each product family
- framework of notified bodies
- CE marking of products

Definition of a construction product

In EU Regulation (EU) No 305/2011, a construction product is defined as "any product or kit which is produced and placed on the market for incorporation in a permanent manner in construction works or parts thereof and the performance of which has an effect on the performance of the construction works with respect to the basic requirements for construction works".

Construction products include products such as doors, windows, shutters and gates, membranes, thermal insulation products, chimneys and flues, sanitary appliances, fire alarms, flooring, fire retardant products, space heating appliances, power cables, glass, and fixings.

MHCLG guidance

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has produced guidance on the Regulation, which can be found on the GOV.UK website.

Key legislation

EU Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 *laying down harmonised conditions for the marketing of construction products*

Construction Products Regulations 2013

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Please note

This information is intended for guidance; only the courts can give an authoritative interpretation of the law.

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