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1 General remarks

In its Article 3 regarding the declaration of conformity, the Swiss Regulation on safety of personal protective equipment (PSAV, SR 930.115) refers to Article 15 of the European Regulation on personal protective equipment (Regulation (EU) 2016/425). Under that Article, the manufacturer of personal protective equipment against falls is required to produce a declaration of conformity showing that:

- the product complies with the applicable essential health and safety requirements under Regulation (EU) 2016/425 Annex II, and
- the conformity assessment under Regulation (EU) 2016/425 Article 19 has been performed correctly.

The structure of the declaration of conformity for personal protective equipment units is to be found in Annex IX of Regulation (EU) 2016/425.

The manufacturer must attach the declaration of conformity to the personal protective equipment or mention, in the information concerning the personal protective equipment, the website address at which the declaration of conformity can be accessed. The declaration of conformity attached to the personal protective equipment must always be kept up to date.

The declaration of conformity must be translated into the language or languages required by the States in which the personal protective equipment is placed on the market.

A copy of the declaration of conformity must be archived by the manufacturer for 10 years after the PPE was placed on the market.

A declaration of conformity is required under the Swiss Regulation on the safety of personal protective equipment, and an EU declaration of conformity is required under European Regulation (EU) 2016/425. However, the scope of the contents for the declaration is the same in both regulations.

By drawing up the EU declaration of conformity, the manufacturer shall assume responsibility for the compliance of the PPE with the requirements laid down in the Swiss Regulation on the safety of personal protective equipment units and/or in European Regulation (EU) 2016/425.

The present document contains an example of an EU declaration of conformity.

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2 Meaning of the individual entries

In the title:

The manufacturer is free to assign a number to the declaration of conformity.

In Point 1:

The product, type, batch or serial number of the personal protective equipment can be specified.

In Point 2:

Where applicable, the name and address of the manufacturer's authorised representative are to be specified in addition to the manufacturer's name and address.

In Point 4:

The information in this point, together with the number referred to in Point 1, must facilitate the identification and traceability of the personal protective equipment. Where applicable, a colour image of sufficient clarity can be used if this is necessary to identify the product.

In Point 5:

If the personal protective equipment comes within the scope of other harmonisation regulations, the latter are also to be referred to.

In Point 6:

The date of the harmonised standard and the technical specifications is to be mentioned. The description of the harmonised standards can be taken from the list published in the current excerpt from the Official Journal of the European Union.

In Point 8:

The manufacturer is free to choose the notified body that carries out the required typeexamination for personal protective equipment against falls, and the notified body that is entrusted with the quality assurance procedure. He can entrust various notified bodies with these services.

For personal protective equipment against falls, the manufacturer must either apply conformity to type based on internal production control plus supervised product checks at random intervals (module C2) or conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process (module D) under surveillance of the notified body, and he must mention the procedure in the declaration of conformity.

For the signatory:

The name, position held and signature of the person empowered to sign the declaration on behalf of the manufacturer or his authorised representative on a legally binding basis.

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3 Sample: EC Declaration of Conformity for personal protective equipment against falls from a height

(In accordance with the Swiss Regulation on safety of personal protective equipment, Article 3, or the European Regulation on personal protective equipment (EU) 2016/425 Article 15 and Annex IX regarding type-examination and quality assurance for the end product under the Swiss Regulation on safety of personal protective equipment, Article 3, or the European Regulation on personal protective equipment (EU) 2016/425 Article 19(c)(i))

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EC Declaration of Conformity No. 374

1. personal protective equipment PPE:

serial number 25334

2. Name and address of the manufacturer:

3. This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.

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4. Object of the declaration:

safety harness safety belt, type XL



Object of the declaration described in point 4 is in conformity with the relevant Union harmonisation legislation:

Regulation (EU) 2016/425

6. References to the relevant harmonised standards used or references to the other technical specifications:

EN 361:2002

7. The notified body

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performed the EU type-examination (Module B) and issued the EU type-examination certificate.

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8. The PPE is subject either conformity to type based on internal production control plus supervised product checks at random intervals (Modul C2) under surveillance of the notified body:

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9. Additional information:

none

Signed for and on behalf of:

Safework AG

Lucerne, 30.04.2018 Thomas Tech, Head of Development

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