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Question:

Can EU type-examination, i.e. certification, cover Respiratory Protective Devices (RPD) specifically designed for children?

Solution:

Whilst EU type-examination of RPD intended for use by children is mandatory according to PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425, VG2 believes that technical requirements are not suitably defined to enable type examination.

VG2 believes that current RPD standards were not written with consideration to the requirements for children. Consequently, without the knowledge and a common consensus on requirements for use of such products by children, the essential health and safety requirements of PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425 cannot be applied to design, manufacture, testing, and EU-type-examination of the RPD.

'State of the art' knowledge should be applied and requirements included into the appropriate EN standard(s). Until then, type examination of RPD intended for use by children should not be performed.