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Article: 5 Annex: II Clause:

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Question:

As standard EN 12628:1999 for Diving accessories - Combined buoyancy and rescue devices, is not yet harmonised, what additional requirement, testing or evaluation should be conducted to ensure compliance with Essential Health and Safety Requirements (EHSRs) of PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425, Annex II.

Solution:

On the basis of gap analysis between EN 12628:1999 (Diving accessories - Combined buoyancy and rescue devices) and EN1809:2014 (Diving equipment - Buoyancy compensators) and gap analysis between EN1809:2014 and EN1809:2014+A1:2016, the following requirements for marking and instructions for use shall be taken into account during assessment, and particularly chapter 5.13.5, Pass and Fail criteria, for practical performance tests which are not explicit in EN12628:1999:

Essential requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/425	Article(s) / paragraph(s) standard EN 12628:1999	Additional Article(s) / paragraph(s) standard to comply with EN 1809:2014+A1:2016
1.1.1 Ergonomics	4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.2.3, 4.2.4 , 4.2.6, 4.2.7 ,	5.13.5
1.2.1 Absence of inherent risks and other nuisance factors	4.2.3, 4.2.4, 4.2.5 , 4.2.6, 4.3.1 , 4.3.2 , 4.3.3 , 4.5	5.13.5
1.2.1.2 Satisfactory surface condition of all PPE parts in contact with the user	4.1 , 4.2.1	
1.2.1.3. Maximum permissible user impediment	4.1, 4.2.1 , 4.2.2 , 4.2.3 , 4.2.4 , 4.2.5 , 4.2.6 , 4.2.7 , 4.3.1 , 4.3.2 , 4.3.3	5.13.5
1.3.1 Adaptation of PPE to user morphology	4.1, 4.2.7, 4.3.1 , 4.3.2, 4.3.3	5.13.5
1.3.2 Lightness and strength	4.1, 4.2.1 , 4.2.2 , 4.2.3 , 4.2.4 , 4.2.5 , 4.2.6 , 4.2.7, 4.3, 4.4 , 4.5	5.13.5
1.4 Manufacturer' s instructions and information	Article 6 , 7.1	6.2.4 j)
2.1 PPE incorporating adjustment systems	4.2.7, 4.3.2 , 4.3.3	5.13.5
2.4. PPE subject to ageing	4.4, Article 6	Article 6 : 6.1 h)
2.10. PPE for connection to complementary equipment external to the PPE	4.2.2, 4.3.2, 4.3.3 , 4.3.4	5.13.5
2.12. PPE bearing one or more identification markings or indicators directly or indirectly relating to health and safety	Article 6 , 7.2	6.1 h) et i)
2.13. PPE capable of signalling the user's presence visually	4.2.9	
3.4.1. Prevention of drowning	4.1 , 4.2, 4.4 , 4.6 , Additionally 4.3	5.13.5
3.4.2. Buoyancy aids	4.1 , 4.2	5.13.5
3.11 Diving equipment	4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 , 4.5 , 4.6	5.13.5

Note: The clauses in black text are the articles already written in Annex ZA of standard EN 12628 (according to the PPE Directive). The clauses in red text are the article of EN 12628:1999 that are proposed to be added, corresponding to the equivalent articles included in Annex ZA of EN1809:2014+A1:2016 (according to the PPE Directive).