

## UK Conformity Assessment (UKCA) DECLARATION

1st April 2024

The UK Conformity Assessment (UKCA) marking applies to the majority of products previously subject to the European Union's CE marking.

UKCA marking came into effect on 1st January 2021. However, Flowtech will still be able to use CE marking until 1st January 2023, as per guidance provided by the UK government.

The regulatory requirements that our products must meet to be placed on the UK market, including the conformity assessment processes and standards that can be used to demonstrate conformity, are substantially the same as for CE marking.

Flowtech is aware of the requirements of UKCA and is working to make the necessary changes to achieve compliance by the relevant deadlines.

Product marking will be in line with at least the minimum regulatory requirements prevailing at the time of products being put to market.

### Further Government Legislation Reviews 2024

The government intends to legislate to continue recognition of EU requirements, including the CE marking, indefinitely for a range of product regulations this spring. This will mean businesses have the flexibility to use either the UKCA or CE marking to sell products in Great Britain.

The government is introducing a new fast-track provision which will allow manufacturers to place products on the GB market where they meet the EU essential requirements and, where required, have been conformity assessed by an EU recognised conformity assessment body.

To benefit from this provision manufacturers will need to affix the UKCA marking (in a way that is allowed) and draw up the UK declaration of conformity, listing compliance with the relevant EU legislation. This also means that where products fall within multiple regulations, a mixture of both UKCA and CE conformity assessment procedures can be used.

This is designed to provide longer-term certainty and flexibility for businesses should the UK mandate UKCA for certain regulations in the future.

**We declare to the best of our knowledge, that all products in our standard catalogue will, in most cases, be affixed directly to the product. Exceptions may be where this is commercially or practically not feasible in which case the UKCA mark will be attached to packaging or accompanying documents such as manuals.**

**We are actively working with our suppliers and manufacturers and will continue to review to ensure that all products we sell have the appropriate certifications and labelling following changes on 1st January 2023.**

Further details on the requirements for UKCA marking can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/using-the-ukca-marking>



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