

Notice to - Designers Assigned Certifiers and Competent Builders

European Union (Construction Products) Regulations 2013 (SI No. 225 of 2013)

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The Construction Products Regulations came into force across the entire European Union on **1st July 2013** with the result that each construction product for which a harmonised European Product standard (known as a hEN) is in force will need a Declaration of Performance from the Manufacturer and be affixed with the CE mark before it can be placed on the market after this date. The **CE Marking is now mandatory** and Declarations of Performance are now required in respect of all construction products that fall within the scope of the Construction Products Regulations. These requirements affect all economic operators regardless of whether they export construction products or not.

In particular, all parties identified in Building Control Regulations 2014,

- **Designers** shall ensure that all products and materials detailed within the design shall be in compliance with the European Union (Construction Products) Regulations 2013 (SI No. 225 of 2013).
- **Competent Builders** shall ensure that all products and material suppliers shall bear the CE Markings and include a declaration of performance for said materials which shall be in compliance with the European Union (Construction Products) Regulations 2013 (SI No. 225 of 2013).
- Assigned Certifiers shall liaise with the competent builders in order to ensure that all products and material for the works shall be in compliance with the European Union (Construction Products) Regulations 2013 (SI No. 225 of 2013).

At Completion stage, the Assigned Certifier and the competent builder will be obliged to jointly sign a Certificate of Compliance and completion which will relate to file to be maintained and filed by the assigned Certifier which shall contain evidence on all products and materials used during the construction of said building.

Further information regarding the Construction Products Regulations 2013 (SI 223 of 2013) can be sourced at - <http://www.environ.ie/en/Legislation/DevelopmentandHousing/BuildingStandards/>