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Checklist to ensure your drywall construction products are in compliant with Construction Products Regulations (CPR)

All construction products manufactured in accordance with a harmonised standard must be supplied and marketed in their country of sale in full compliance with the respective and relevant Construction Products Regulations (CPR). For example gypsum plasterboards the relevant harmonised product standard is BS EN 520.

The CPR is a defined regulation covering Europe and the recent additional introduction of CPR amendments etc. specifically covering the UK. To place goods on the EU market, CE marking is required. To place goods on the market in Great Britain **UKCA** and or CE marking is required. Placing goods on the market in Northern Ireland CE marking or CE and **UKNI** is required.

Construction Products must be traceable and this involves knowing where products come from, their journeys through supply chains and the conditions within those supply chains. Tracing helps to verify claims made about the products, whilst ensuring they comply to the relevant legislations, in particular CPR. This enables the designers and installers to select the most appropriate construction product for building works.

It is vital to check that the products used on your project have been manufactured in accordance with relevant product standards. There could be significant implications if products are used that do not meet product standards, for example, a risk to life safety through insufficient fire resistance or insufficient strength.

Across the supply chain it is important to understand the roles and responsibilities to ensure compliance is met. Below you will find a list of requirements pertaining to supply roles.

Manufacturer:

- Must run Quality Control process, ideally to ISO 9001 standard but alternatives may be acceptable.
- Must undertake necessary regular checking during manufacturing process to ensure product claims are maintained.
- Must declare the product has met the product standard in a Declaration of Performance (DoP).
- Must mark on the product/packaging, or accompanying paperwork, with a **UKCA, CE, UKNI** or a combination of as required in the country of sale. Reference should also be made to the DoP.
- Must mark on the product/packaging or accompanying paperwork with at least the minimum level of manufacturer details.

Distributor/Merchant/Importer:

- Must ensure on the product/packaging or accompanying paperwork, relevant markings are present, UKCA, CE, UKNI or a combination of as required in the country of sale. Reference should also be made to the DoP.
- Must ensure that the manufacturer and product name is on the product/packaging or accompanying paperwork which must also be made available to the buyer/end user.



End User:

- Should check on the product/packaging, or accompanying paperwork relevant markings are present, UKCA, CE, UKNI or a combination of as required in the country of sale. The manufacturer details and product information should be provided.
- Should not use product if you cannot identify manufacturer.
- Can request proof via the merchant or distributor that the manufacturer has met their obligations.

Finally, it is important to highlight that the CPR only relates to individual products. As such, so do the required declared performance characteristics. Performance characteristics, often required to demonstrate compliance with respective Building Regulations, which relate to a system in which a CPR compliant product acts as a component part (e.g. a lightweight plasterboard lined partition) should be confirmed separately by the system supplier.

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