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Adopted by CLAP:**08/11/2000****Subject:** New approach – CE marking on non-covered equipment**Question:** Is it possible to affix the CE marking on equipment not covered by a directive as a quality mark?**Answer:**

NO.

The Council Decision of 22 July 93 (JOCE N° L 220/93 dated 30.08.93) states clearly that : "The CE marking symbolizes the conformity to all obligations incumbent on manufacturer for the product by virtue of the Community Directives providing for its affixing" (point B.a of the annex).

Furthermore, "any other marking which are likely to deceive third parties as to the meaning or form of the CE marking is prohibited" (point B.i of the annexe or article 15 of PED).

For equipment referred to in article 3 § 3 of PED, see CLAP 46 - Guideline 2/18.

Equipment the conformity of which is assessed by a user inspectorate shall not bear the CE marking as far as PED is concerned (article 14 § 3).

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