

Directive 2014/68/EU

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Directive References: **Subject:** ESR Manufacturing - Functional testing involving pressurisation**Question:** May all or part of a pressure equipment be subject to functional testing involving pressurisation prior to the proof test or prior to the establishment of its EU declaration of conformity?**Answer:**

A good practice is to perform the proof test prior to the functional testing, to ensure the equipment integrity. However, if such tests are necessary before the proof test, it is possible to pressurise all or part of the equipment. This pressurisation is to be considered as a manufacturing act carried out under the responsibility of the equipment manufacturer.

Appropriate safety measures shall be implemented. This operation shall be taken into account by the hazards and risks analysis and covered by the equipment design and manufacturing programme.

Note: The same reasoning applies to assemblies.