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Instructions and EU-type examination

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Question:
Which measures should a notified body take concerning examination of the instructions?

Answer:
For certification purposes notified bodies shall only verify the existence and content of instructions related to explosion aspects.

The notified body must check if the equipment is designed and manufactured in conformity with all the relevant requirements and can be used safely in accordance with its intended use. (Annex III, paragraph 3: "The technical documentation shall make it possible to assess the product's conformity with the applicable requirements of this Directive and shall include an adequate analysis and assessment of the risk(s). The technical documentation shall specify the applicable requirements and cover, as far as relevant for the assessment, the design, manufacture and operation of the product...."). Therefore the manufacturer must give the notified body specifications concerning all the aspects of explosion protection, either as complete instructions (eventually containing in addition information relating to other Directives, like 2006/42/EC, 2014/30/EU, ..) or as a separate document in the form of an extract of the instructions comprising all the aspects of explosion protection prescribed in Annex II, 1.0.6.

In the first case the notified body should in his own interest mark and document those parts which have been checked in the EU-type examination.

In the second case, the manufacturer and the notified body involved in the QM must ensure that the specifications in this document are identical with the specifications in the instructions.

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