



# Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC

## Orgalime Proposal for the European Commission Guidelines

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### Annex I, under 4.3

#### **What is unclear in the directive 2006/42/EC and has to be clarified?**

In Annex I under 4.3, the CE marking is not included in the requirements on information and markings. It could be easily understood that the CE marking is not mandatory for these products. Do chains, ropes, webbing, lifting accessories and lifting machinery have to be CE marked?

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The answer on the question is yes

Article 2 stipulates that for the purpose of the Machinery Directive, “machinery” designates the products listed in Article 1(1)(a) to (f).

The reason is the following:

“(d) ‘lifting accessory’ means a component or equipment etc...

(e) ‘chains, ropes and webbing’ designed and constructed for lifting purposes as part of lifting machinery or lifting accessories...”

The mentioned products are therefore covered by the term “machinery”.

As a consequence, the CE marking has to be affixed to machinery (art 16, under 2) and thus also to the mentioned products.

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