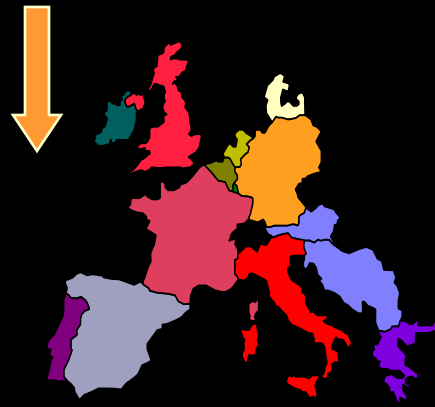


*a **NEW** directive for **EUROPE** !*

new approach

Potentially ← **ATEX** → **EX**plosive
ATmospheres



ATEX *DIRECTIVES*



- **94/9/CE** (manufacturers' directive) = European instruments using
- **1999/92/CE** (workers' directive) = employees protection:
 - **annexe I**:types of zones
 - **annexe II**:categories of instruments for each zone.

NEW DIRECTIVES ATEX...

- **Since July 2003**, it has been mandatory that all equipment with a potential source of ignition which is being sold on the European market for the first time is accompanied by a declaration of conformity to the ATEX product Directive **94/9/EC**.
- **Since July 2003**, it has been mandatory that all new installations (and modifications to existing installations) should meet the requirements of the ATEX User directive **1999/92/EC**.

NEW DIRECTIVES ATEX...

- By **July 2006**, all plants within Europe should be able to demonstrate full compliance with the requirements of **1999/92/EC** as adopted in each member state.
- In the UK this is « the dangerous substances and explosive atmospheres regulations » : **DSEAR**.

NEW DIRECTIVE ATEX...

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The title bar reads "New Approach Standardization in the Internal Market - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar contains "http://www.newapproach.org/" and is circled in red. The main content area has a light blue background with a white lightning bolt graphic. It features several logos and text links: the European Union flag, "Directives and Standards.", "CENELEC", "Concepts.", "EFTA" with flags, "Standards via Keywords and Product Families.", "cen", and "ETSI". At the bottom, there are navigation links: "Home", "European Commission", "EFTA", "CEN", "CENELEC", "ETSI", "Directives and Standards", "Concepts", "Standards via Keywords and Product Families", "Questions Area", and "Standards Sales Points". The status bar at the bottom shows "http://www.cenorm.be/" and "Internet".

www.newapproach.org
Or: www.ineris.fr

Or: europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/atex/index.htm

The new directive **ATEX** *(01/07/2003)*

- **Requires in short:**
- a **certification** delivered by a **notified laboratory**
- **CE marking** to be affixed to all electrical and electronic instruments marketed in **EUROPEAN UNION MEMBER STATES** (*The CE marking guarantees that the instrument conforms to applicable electromagnetic radiation and immunity requirements*).
- Compliance is mandatory, which means you must ensure that your **products** meet all of the **directive's requirements**.

List of European Standard

relevant to Performance Requirements (additional standard to Explosion Protection i, d, e , m, etc) and mandatory for safety relevant devices according article 1.5 de l'Annex II de la Directive Atex 94/9/CE

EN 61779-1 (replace EN 50054). *Performance requirements of Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of flammable gases - Part 1: General requirements and test methods*

List of European Standard

EN 61779-2 (replace EN 50055) : *Performance requirements for group I apparatus indicating a volume fraction up to 5 % methane in air .*

- **EN 61779-3** (replace EN 50056) : *Performance requirements for group I apparatus indicating a volume fraction up to 100 % methane in air .*

EN 61779-4 (replace EN 50057) : *Performance requirements for group II apparatus indicating a volume fraction up to 100% lower explosive limit. .*

- **EN 61779-5** (replace EN 50058) : *Performance requirements for group II apparatus indicating a volume fraction up to 100% volume. .*

List of European Standard

EN 50104: *Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of oxygen – Performance requirements and test methods.*

EN 50270: *Electromagnetic compatibility - Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen*

EN 50271: *Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen - Requirements and tests for apparatus using software and/or digital technologies.*

*List of European Standard relevant to Performance Requirements
not mandatory, eg not yet in the Atex list for harmonised standard*



EN 45544-1 : Workplace atmospheres - Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours -- Part 1: General requirements and test methods

EN 45544-2 : *Workplace atmospheres - Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours -- Part 2: Performance requirements for apparatus used for measuring concentrations in the region of limit*

List of European Standard relevant to Performance Requirements not mandatory, eg not yet in the Atex list for harmonised standard



EN 45544-3 : *Workplace atmospheres - Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours -- Part 3: Performance requirements for apparatus used for measuring concentrations well above limit values*

EN 45544-4 : *Workplace atmospheres - Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours -- Part 4: Guide for selection, installation, use and maintenance*

*The new directive **ATEX*** *(01/07/2003):continued...*

- Safety systems fail safe application.
- **GAS** or **DUST** hazardous areas indication (marking)
- production quality assurance
- product verification
- conformity to type tests carried out under the responsibility of notified organisme.

ATEX / CENELEC: *marking*

- Until July 2003, a new marking:

PROTECTION MODE
CENELEC GAS GROUP T° Class



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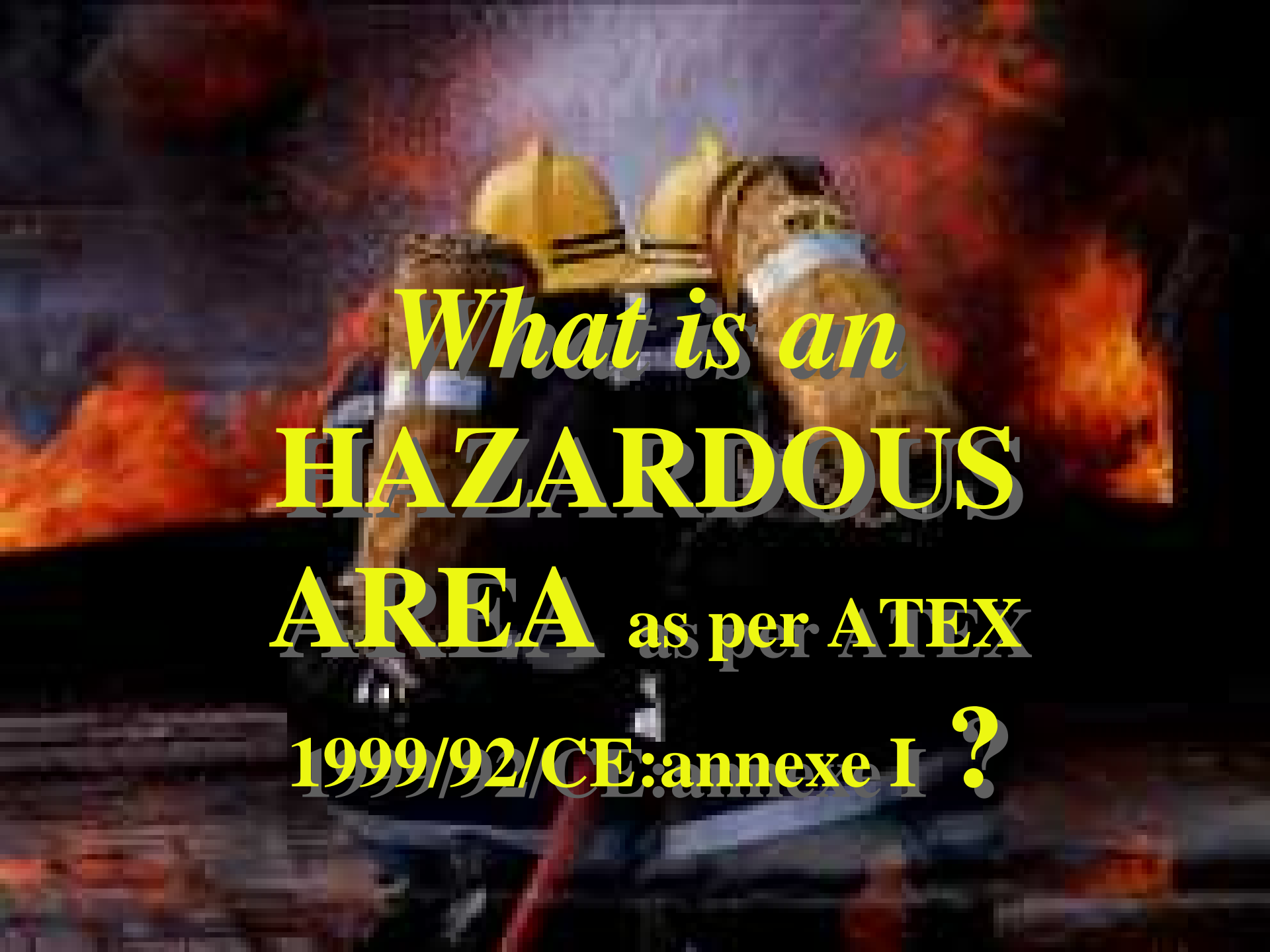


CE xxxxx Ex II 2 G EEx e IIC T4

CE MARKING *example*

- **The certified equipment must carry a plate indicating :**
 - the name and address of the manufacturer
 - designation of the type of equipment
 - CE marking followed by the identification number of the organism where such body is involved in the production control stage:**CE xxxx**
 - the serial number of the equipment
 - year of construction
 - specific marking followed by group II for group II,2 for category 2 and G for gas
 - complementary marking:**EEx d IIB T4**
INERIS xxATEXxxxx X

The logo for ATEX, consisting of the letters 'A', 'T', 'E', and 'X' in a bold, stylized font. The letters are filled with a yellow and black checkered pattern and have a thick black outline.



What is an
HAZARDOUS
AREA as per ATEX
1999/92/CE:annexe I ?

ATEX 1999/92/CE

- New directive **ATEX** concerning the instruments in hazardous areas and **mines** “group I”:
- the whole concentrations: **M1**
- above a limit value: **M2**



ATEX 1999/92/CE: ZONES

- New directive **ATEX** concerning the instruments in hazardous areas and surface industries “**group II**” distinguishes the next groups of zones:
- Zone **0 G** (gas) and zone **20 D** (dusts)
- Zone **1 G** (gas) and zone **21 D** (dusts)
- Zone **2 G** (gas) and zone **22 D** (dusts)

ZONE 0G /20 D

ATEX probability \equiv *very high*

- *Where ignitable concentrations of flammable gases, vapours, liquids or dusts can exist all of the time or some of the time and for a long time under normal operating conditions .required*

equipment (annexe II): category 1 = ia only !

intrinsic Safety

ZONE 1G/21D

ATEX probability \equiv *high*

- *Where ignitable concentrations of flammable gases, vapours, liquids or dusts can exist some of the time under normal operating conditions.*
- *required equipment (annexe II): category 2 = **d** or **is** or **e** .*

ZONE 2G/22D

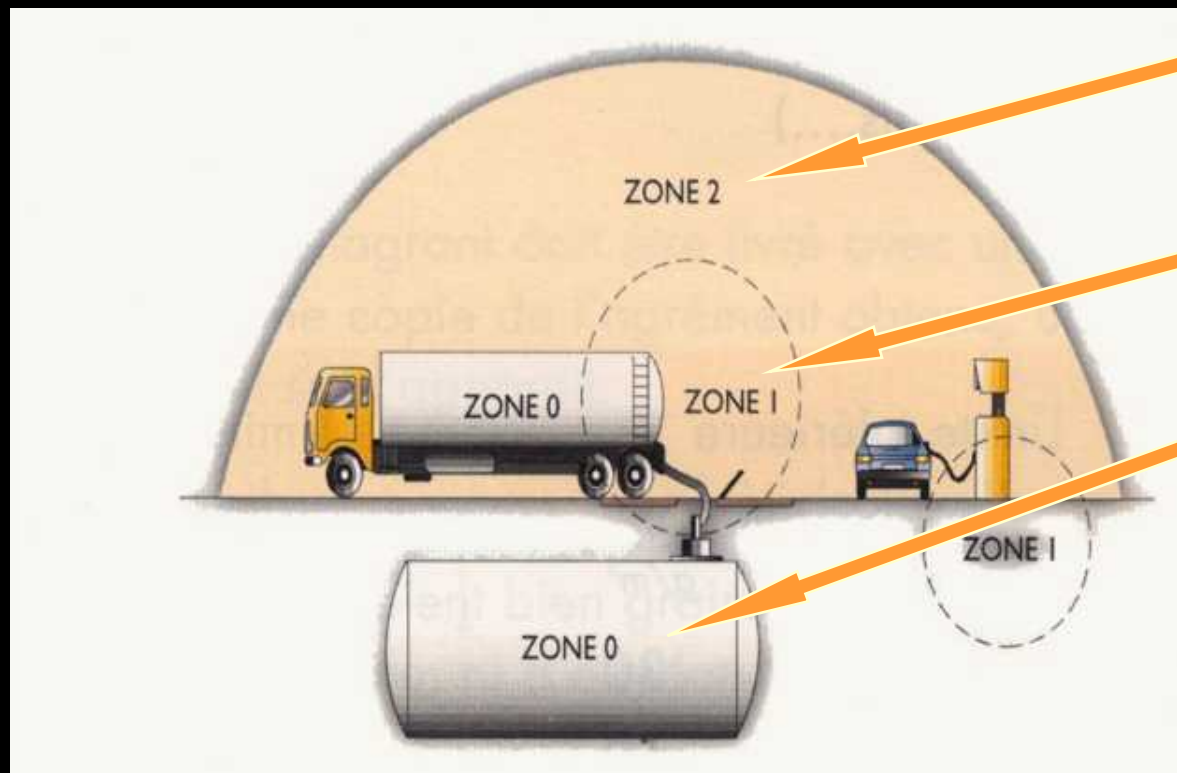
ATEX probability \equiv *low*

- Where ignitable concentrations of flammable gases, vapours, liquids or dusts are not likely to exist under normal operating conditions.
- Required equipment (annexe **II**): category **3** (minimum protection).

DANGEROUS ZONE: example

- In accordance with the new regulation

ATEX:



Required equipment

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CATEGORY 3

CATEGORY 2

CATEGORY 1