Position Paper:

Definition of scopes of certificates to EN 16034

1 RESTRICTIONS TO THE USE OF EN 16034

On 28 October 2016, in OJEU was cited the harmonised standard for fire resistant doors, EN 16034:2014 Pedestrian doorsets, industrial, commercial, garage doors and openable windows – Product standard, performance characteristics – Fire resisting and/or smoke control characteristics.

The date of applicability is 28 October 2016 and the coexistence period will expire on 01 November 2019.

Notified Bodies should be aware that the citation of EN 16034 is accompanied by the below note:


The above note means, that EN 16034 will only apply to doors covered both by EN 16034 and one of the two following standards:

EN 13241:2003+A2:2016, Industrial, commercial, garage doors and gates. Product standard, performance characteristics; or


Hence, it is not allowed – neither for manufacturers nor for notified bodies - to apply EN 16034 as the only harmonised standard. Manufacturers cannot draw up DoPs only referring to EN 16034 and notified bodies cannot issue certificates only referring to EN 16034.

Most of the fire resistant doorsets on the market are internal pedestrian doorsets. Until the standard for internal doorsets, EN 14351-2, has been finalised and cited in OJEU, fire resistant doorsets intended for internal use in buildings will not be covered by any harmonised standard.

The purpose of the above described note in OJEU is to avoid ‘false starts’ for internal pedestrian doorsets. Accordingly, Notified Bodies shall not issue certificates to EN 16034 covering doors for internal use in buildings.
2 DEFINITION OF SCOPE

The scope of certificates to EN 16034 shall be defined in accordance with NB-CPR 14/612.

To make it clear that the certificates respect the limitations indicated by the note in OJEU, Notified Bodies are advised to include in the scopes of all certificates to EN 16034 reference to EN 13241 and/or EN 14351-1, e.g. by using the form:

[Product description] covered by EN 13241

or

[Product description] covered by EN 14351-1

3 CONTENT OF DECLARATIONS OF PERFORMANCE

Notified Bodies may inform manufacturers that the list of essential characteristics in the DoPs must comprise as well Resistance to Fire according to EN 16034 as the full list of essential characteristics indicated by either EN 13241 or EN 14351-1 as relevant for the intended use of the doorset concerned.

4 WARNING

Indications have been received that the Commission may consider notified bodies issuing certificates to EN 16034 covering internal pedestrian doors as noncompliant and that actions may be taken accordingly.

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