

Electrical and electronic equipment: electromagnetic compatibility (repeal. Directive 89/336/EEC)

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Luis BERENGUER FUSTER (PES, E) making several amendments to the Commission's draft, mostly relating to the scope of application. Amendments focussed on application to certain equipment including specific requirements for fixed installations. The main amendments were as follows: -Parliament deleted the provision stating that ready-made connecting devices should be considered to be apparatus for the purposes of this Directive; -Parliament also stated in a recital that, should apparatus be incorporated into more than one identical fixed installation, identifying the EMC characteristics of these installations should be sufficient to ensure exemption from the conformity assessment procedure; -there are new definitions of "electromagnetic disturbance" as well as "electromagnetic environment" and "mobile installations" to which the directive must be applied; -special measures which have been accepted must be published by the Commission in the Official Journal; -there are new provisions on the identification of apparatus and the information to be supplied by manufacturers. Apparatus for which compliance with the protection requirements is not ensured in residential areas must be accompanied by a clear indication of this restriction of use, where appropriate also on the packaging. Furthermore, The information required to enable use in accordance with the intended purpose of the apparatus must be contained in the instructions accompanying the apparatus; -the Conformity Assessment procedure has been moved to a new Annex I. Finally, Parliament voted for the deletion of Annex V.