

Machinery. Recast

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The Commission accepts in full all of the nine amendments adopted by the European Parliament. They are the result of a compromise package agreed between the European Parliament and the Council. The conclusion of the compromise package has been facilitated by three declarations, which the Commission made during the December 2005 session. The Commission Declaration states:

- On CE marking: The Commission will clarify the conditions for affixing other markings, whether national, European or private, in relation to the CE marking.
- On tractors I: The Parliament, the Council and the Commission declare that, in order to cover all aspects related to the health and safety of agricultural and forestry tractors in one harmonising Directive, Directive 2003/37 on type-approval of agricultural and forestry tractors, their trailers and inter-changeable towed machinery, together with their systems, components and separate technical units needs to be modified so as to address all the relevant risks of the Machinery Directive. Such a modification should include an amendment of the Machinery Directive in order to delete the expression “for the risks”.
- On tractors II: The Commission recognises the need to include in the agricultural and forestry tractors directive further requirements for risks not yet covered by these Directives. To this end, the Commission is considering appropriate measures that include references to United Nations regulations, CEN and ISO standards and OECD codes.