Basic information

1995/0279(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure completed
Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC) **Subject** 4.15.15 Health and safety at work, occupational medicine	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	WOLF Friedrich (V)	31/01/1996

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	WOLF Friedrich (V)	31/01/1996

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Budget	1945	1996-07-25
Fisheries	1935	1996-06-10

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
17/11/1995	Legislative proposal published	COM(1995)0552	Summary
11/12/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
25/04/1996	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
25/04/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A4-0137/1996	
10/06/1996	Council position published	05203/1/1996	Summary

20/06/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
26/06/1996	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		Summary
26/06/1996	Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A4-0226/1996	
25/07/1996	Act approved by Council, 2nd reading		Summary
03/09/1996	Final act signed		
03/09/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
18/09/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1995/0279(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 100A
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/4/07950

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0137/1996 OJ C 152 27.05.1996, p. 0004	25/04/1996	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0235/1996 OJ C 166 10.06.1996, p. 0053-0060	22/05/1996	Summary
Committee recommendation tabled for plenary, 2nd reading		A4-0226/1996 OJ C 261 09.09.1996, p. 0005	26/06/1996	
Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading		T4-0394/1996 OJ C 261 09.09.1996, p. 0049-0058	17/07/1996	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Council position	05203/1/1996 OJ C 220 29.07.1996, p. 0011	10/06/1996	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1995)0552	17/11/1995	Summary

	OJ C 023 27.01.1996, p. 0006		
Commission communication on Council's position	SEC(1996)1112	14/06/1996	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0090/1996 OJ C 097 01.04.1996, p. 0008	31/01/1996	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Directive 1996/0058
OJ L 236 18.09.1996, p. 0044 Summary

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 31/01/1996 - Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report

The Committee approves this proposal aimed to simplify costly administrative requirements imposed on the manufacturers because no aspects relating to users' health and safety will be diminished, and proper technical consultation of interested parties (which expressed their approval) has been carried on by the Commission.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 10/06/1996

The Council adopted a common position with a view to approving the Directive amending Directive 89/686/EEC.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 03/09/1996 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to abolish the requirement to indicate on each item of PPE (personal protective equipment) the year in which the 'EC' marking was affixed. This administrative simplification will cut PPE manufacturing costs by 5% without affecting the level of safety (the date of obsolescence and the lifetime of the protective equipment subject to ageing are retained). COMMUNITY MEASURE: Directive 96/58/EC of the European Parliament and the Council, amending Directive 89/686/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to personal protective equipment (PPE). SUBSTANCE: abolition of the requirement to indicate on each item of PPE the year in which the 'EC' marking (i.e. the year of manufacture of the PPE) was affixed, since this indication: . is not a factor beneficial to the safety of the user of the equipment, . might be confused with the date of obsolescence which must be affixed to PPE subject to ageing. DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE: 7 October 1996 DEADLINE FOR TRANSPOSITION INTO NATIONAL LEGISLATION: 1 January 1997.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 17/11/1995 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: the proposal for a directive aims to abolish the requirement to indicate on each item of PPE (personal protective equipment) the year in which the "EC" marking was affixed. This administrative simplification would cut PPE manufacturing costs by 5% without affecting the level of safety (the date of obsolescence and the lifetime of PPEs subject to ageing are retained). SUBSTANCE: abolition of the requirement to indicate on each item of PPE the year in which the "EC" marking was affixed (i.e. the year of manufacture of the PPE). This indication was not beneficial to the safety of the user of the equipment and might be confused with the date of obsolescence which must be affixed to PPEs subject to ageing. The Member States will be required to implement this directive from 1 January 1997.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 22/05/1996 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Adopting the report by Mr WOLF (V, D), the European Parliament approved the proposal to amend a directive without amendment.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 25/07/1996

Following Parliament’s approval of its common position, the Council adopted the amendment to Directive 89/686/EEC.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 14/06/1996 - Commission communication on Council's position

As the amendment proposed by the Council did not change the date of application of the directive for the Member States, the Commission was willing to accept the Council's common position.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 17/07/1996 - Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading

In adopting the recommendation for second reading by Mr Friedrich WOLF (Greens, D), Parliament approved the common position of the Council.

Safety at work: personal protective equipment PPE (amend. Directive 89 /686/EEC)

1995/0279(COD) - 10/06/1996 - Council position

The only change made by the common position of the Council to the original proposal by the Commission consisted of setting a deadline (01/01/1997) for transposition of the Directive by the Member States instead of a date which would have varied in relation to the date of final adoption of the Directive (3 months after adoption).