

## IECEx Conformity Mark Committee (ExMarkCo) – IECEx ExMC 2022 Meeting Agenda Item 9

ExMarkCo Chair – Mr Timothy Duffy, US September 2022



## ExMarkCo – Report from the Chair

### **IECEx CONFORMITY MARK COMMITTEE (ExMarkCo)**

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- 9.1 Current List of IECEx Mark Licenses issuing ExCBs
- 9.2 Report from ExMarkCo Chairman
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## **Existing Mark Licensing ExCBs**

### **Current ExCB Mark Licensing Bodies** – *13 Total*

- Australia Safety in Mines Testing and Research Station (SIMTARS)
- Finland Eurofins Expert Services Oy (EESF)
- France Institut National de l'Environnement Industriel et des Risques (INERIS)
- France Laboratories Central des industries Electriques International (LCIE)
- Germany Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB)
- Germany TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH (TÜV SÜD PS)
- Hungary Hungarian Approval Service for Ex-proof Electrical Equipment (BKI)
- Netherlands DEKRA Certification B.V. (DEKRA)
- Norway NDV GL Presafe AS (PRE)
- United Kingdom SGS BASEEFA Ltd (BASEEFA)
- United Kingdom Intertek Testing and Certification Ltd (ITS)
- United Kingdom CSA Europe (SIRA Certification Service (SIRA)
- United Kingdom Eurofins E&E CML Limited (CML)

As at August 2022 there are <u>no</u> new Applicants ExCBs for the IECEx 04 Scheme



- IECEx Conformity Mark Licenses @ 27 August 2021 = 43 total with 35 as Current (connected to 505 IECEx Certificates an increase compared to the 441 reported in 2021 and 311 reported in 2020
- <u>Draft</u> IECEx Conformity Mark Licenses = 9
- Decision 2019/35 Reminder Members to note the Dubai 2019 ExMC Decision

#### **Decision 2019/35**

The meeting considered the content of the discussion paper circulated as ExMC/1521/CD- Concepts of New Approach for the IECEx Logo/ Trademark and IECEx Conformity Mark plus better integration with the IECEx Certified Equipment Scheme and supported Proposal Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 outlined in ExMC/1521/CD and further requests ExMarkCo to continue its work towards streamlining access to the IECEx Conformity Mark and its practical use eg. shading, laser etc and use with small products



### Recap of Important Decision taken by ExMC, on New Approach

 The agreed plan from the 2019 ExMC meeting (refer Decision 2019/35 on ExMC/1521/CD) was to have a single logo design that is to be used as (i) the IECEx Trademark / Brand and (ii) as the IECEx Conformity Mark on products. The logo is illustrated below:

- The logo is being registered as the IECEx 'device'
- The text "IECEx" is being registered as the IECEx word mark



## Implementation of ExMC Decision - Revised Publications

- <u>IECEx 04 Edition 2.0 >> "Regulations" to 'Rules", System" to "Scheme" (Approved by CAB) https://www.iecex.com/publications/iecex-rules/</u>
- <u>IECEx OD 422</u> >> Mark Licenses issued to IECEx Certificate holding manufacturers by QAR issuing ExCB & revision of License Agreement format and terms <a href="https://www.iecex.com/publications/operational-od/">https://www.iecex.com/publications/operational-od/</a>
- <u>IECEx OD 423</u> >> previously known as OD 023 <a href="https://www.iecex.com/publications/operational-od/">https://www.iecex.com/publications/operational-od/</a>
- <u>IECEx Guide 01B</u>, as per the proposed revision, continues to define who can use the IECEx logo in addition to details of how and where <a href="https://www.iecex.com/publications/guides/">https://www.iecex.com/publications/guides/</a>
- <u>IECEx Guide 04A</u>, as per the proposed revision, explains how the IECEx logo can be used on products as the new IECEx Conformity Mark <a href="https://www.iecex.com/publications/guides/">https://www.iecex.com/publications/guides/</a>





To ensure consistent IECEx Branding, all IECEx Rules, ODs etc have been reissued with new single logo since 2021.

<u>Transition</u> from previous dual logo to single logo on new or updated material and media – 2 years. Existing material not affected.







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#### INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

Rules and guidance for the use of the IECEx logo

#### **FOREWORD**

This document has been prepared to provide rules and guidance for all organizations wishing to use the IECEx logo (e.g. manufacturers, service facilities and IECEx member certification bodies, ExCBs).

IECEx 01B defines the rules and provides guidance for the use of the IECEx trademark also referred to throughout this document as the IECEx logo.

It should also be noted that the word "IECEx" is a registered trademark of the International Electrotechnical Commission.

The details of the rules and procedures of the IECEx are given in other IECEx documents available from the IECEx website or the IECEx Secretariat via the IEC Central Office.

IECEX 01B edition 4.0 is issued to reflect a change in the design of the IECEx logo/trademark. Use of the previous IECEx logo/trademark on new or updated material and media, according to edition 3.0 of IECEx 01B, is planned to cease within two years of publication of this edition 4.0.

#### Document history

Date	Summary	
July 2008	Original issue (edition 1.0)	
November 2013	mber 2013 Edition 2.0 removed all details regarding the IECE conformity mark. These were transferred to IECEx 04#	



#### **IECEx Conformity Mark Licenses:**

as issued to manufacturers by IECEx ExCBs that have an (optional and no fee) License Agreement with IEC ...

- Are <u>NOT</u> required if the IECEx logo is used in accordance with IECEx Guide 01B. NOTE that IECEx Guide 01B does NOT apply to, nor permit use of the IECEx logo on equipment, components or products
- <u>Are</u> required if the IECEx logo is used in accordance with IECEx Guide
  04A on equipment as a Conformity Mark to claim conformity with
  standards or specifications listed in an IECEx Certificate of Conformity.



## 9.4 ExMarkCo membership

Membership in ExMarkCo/001R/INF at(to be updated to reflect changes in Executive)

http://www.iecex.com/docs/ExMarkCo 01I Inf Members.doc

The following vacancies still exist:

# of Members	Group represented	# of Vacancies
2	ExMarkCo. Chair and Secretary	
-	IECEx Executive	
3	ExCBs (License issuing, applicant)	
3	Manufacturers	
3	Regulatory interests	3
3	Users	
1	Service Providers	1
1	Training Providers	1

**EXMC** Members are requested to consider nominations for the other vacant positions.

## **IECEX**

## Issues of Misuse

# Notification of misuse of the IECEx Conformity Mark and IECEx Logo

- IECEx Secretariat supported by the Executive constantly monitor use of the IECEx Marks and Brand and take action where misuse occurs – usually a result of ignorance
- At this stage there are <u>no</u> current *significant* matters requiring either ExMC or CAB involvement.
- Noting that the ExMarkCo Chair and IECEx Secretariat proactively monitor potential misuse
- Members are asked to raise matters relating to misuse of the IECEx Conformity Mark and inform the Secretariat and ExMarkCo



## IECEx TradeMark Protection via Registration

- Major project has been underway to protect the IECEx TradeMark thru formal TradeMark Registrations.
- ❖ A 3+ year project so far, which has seen the TradeMark Registrations complete across 54 Jurisdictions which include members States of the European Union (27 Countries) and African OAPI (17 member States) – total 87 countries to date with Registrations complete
- A further 9 countries remain for TradeMark Registration, with filings at different stages.
- ❖ Registrations are valid for 10 years with a renewal fee cost estimated to be around 40% of the initial fee – IECEx will need to budget for.

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## Thank You