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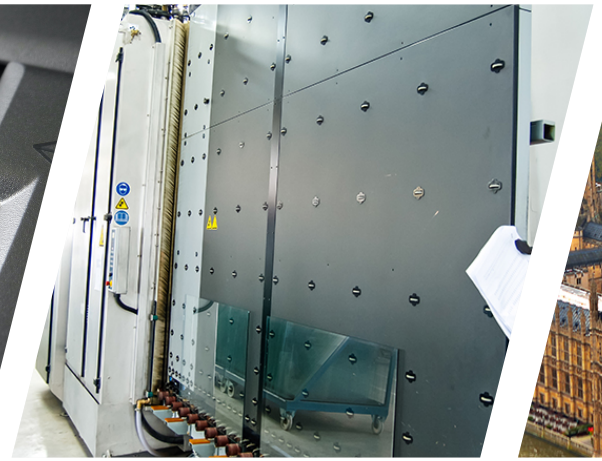

THE FUTURE OF **CPR & CE MARKING**

A GGF Technical Department
Webinar Presentation

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Introduction

CPR & CE Marking first implemented on 1st July 2013

From that date compliance with CPR became a legal requirement in the UK

All construction products within the scope of a hEN required a DoP from the manufacturer and to be CE marked

To break down technical barriers to trade in construction products within the European Economic Area (EEA).

To achieve this, the CPR provided four main elements:

- a system of harmonised technical specifications
- an agreed system of conformity assessment for each product family
- a framework of notified bodies
- CE marking of products.

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Where are we now ?

There is no doubt that a deal would provide the smoothest transition for the UK and the EU27

As we move towards the 15th October, this outcome seems hard to achieve

Members should prepare for the worst but hope for the best.

Should there be No Deal, the EU's acceptance of the Mutual Trade Agreement would also be unlikely although the majority of the EU 27 are hopeful of achieving some form of Trade deal

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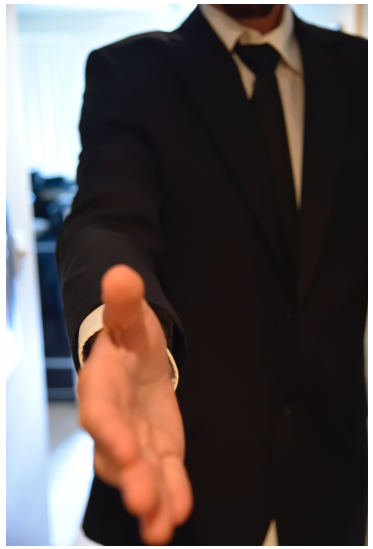
Leaving with no deal



- Current Government guidelines only cover a No Deal scenario
- Construction products in England, Wales & Scotland not Northern Ireland
- The change will be implemented on 1st January 2021 with a transition period of 1 year
- End of recognition of the CE mark in the UK by 1st January 2022
- Introduction of the UKCA mark
- UK Notified Bodies operating under EU CPR 2011 will become UK Authorised Bodies
- All existing harmonised Standards to become UK designated Standards
- UK Approved bodies will undertake conformity assessment for UK designated standards
- Where a UK approved body has carried out tasks or certification for an AVCP before 1st Jan 2021, this can be used to affixing the UK marking.

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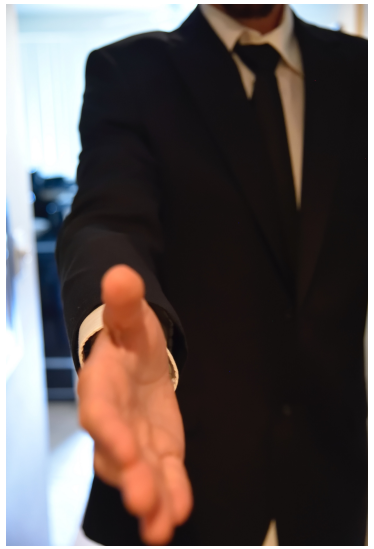

- During the UK's first year outside the single market, products can be sold in the UK without reassessment or re-marking if compliant with EU requirements including CE marking.
- 3rd Party Confirmity assessment for these products must be by a EU recognized notified body.
- Products meeting UK requirements and with UK mark must have assessment carried out by a UK approved body.
- EU Distributors bringing product from EU to the UK during transition will now have to: -

➢ Label their product with their name and address

➢ Ensure that AVCP requirements have been carried out

➢ Ensure that the product bears the conformity marking and that the manufacturer has complied with labelling requirements

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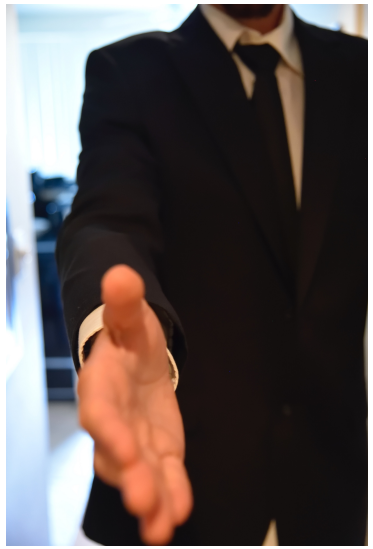

- From 1st January 2022, if you are a UK company selling into the EU, you must have product tested or certified by a European Nominated Body.
- Companies must check that their current Nominated body has an agreement in place with an EU nominated body for the transfer of certification.

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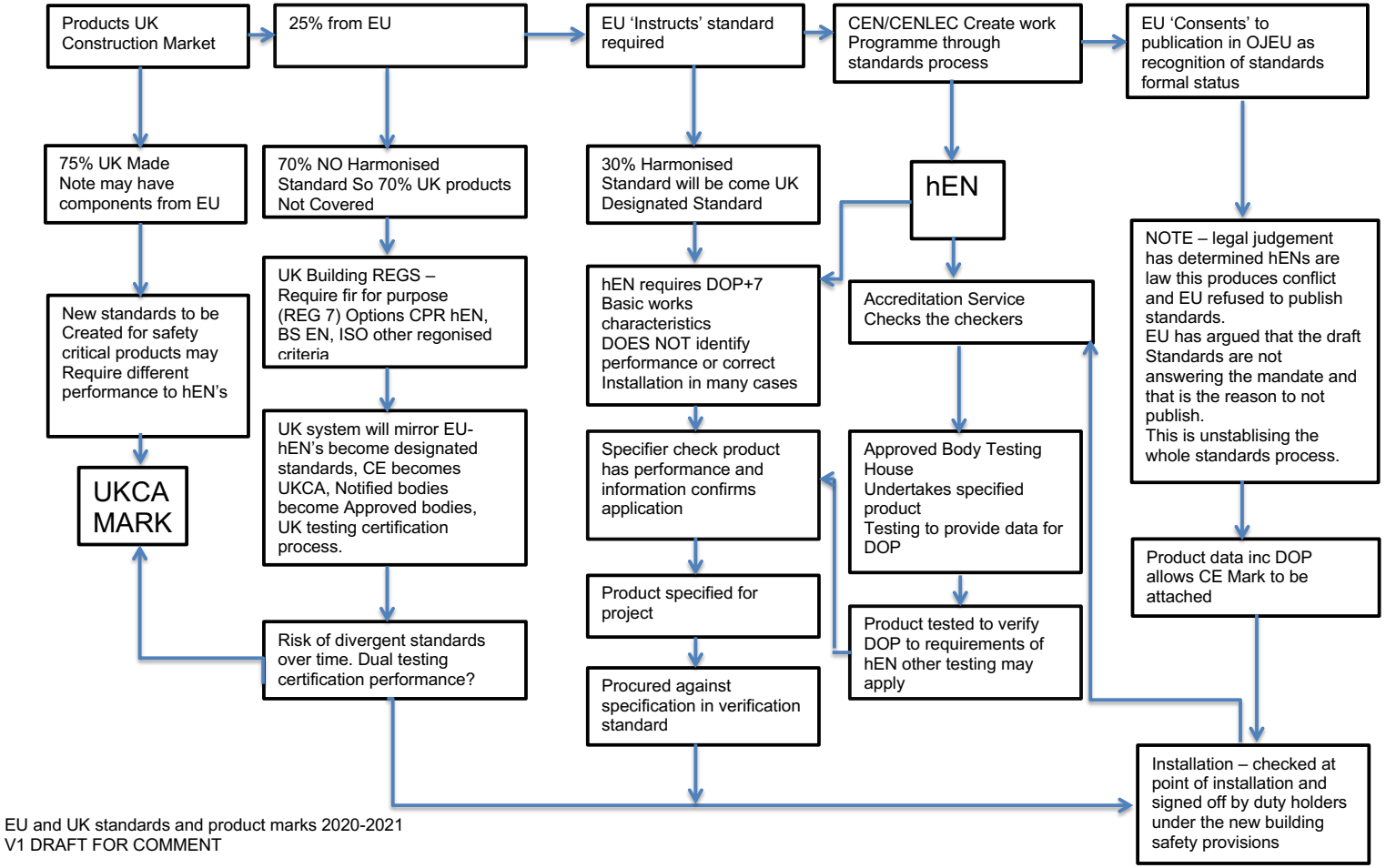
A Quick Summary by Flowchart



EU and UK standards and product marks 2020-2021
V1 DRAFT FOR COMMENT

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The NI Protocol

- Northern Ireland will remain part of the UK's customs territory
- Custom checks and controls will apply on goods from mainland UK to NI
- This ensures no checks are required between NI and ROI and goods will mostly be tariff free
- Some product may be deemed "at risk" of being shipped on to the EU and the EU tariff will apply. These "at risk" products are not yet fully clarified
- NI will be aligned with specific EU rules particularly the rules of the Single Market
- More Government information will be forthcoming regarding trading to and from Northern Ireland

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The NI Protocol

Goods manufactured to UK rules for sale on mainland UK

- Goods not requiring 3rd party conformity assessment can be marked with UKCA based on self certification
- Goods requiring mandatory 3rd party conformity assessment, a UK approved body must certify to allow UKCA mark to be applied.

Goods manufactured to the specific goods rules in the Protocol

- If 3rd party conformity assessment is not required, apply CE mark
- If 3rd party assessment is required, you can choose EU or UK body to certify to CE.
- If UK body you will mark with CE plus additional NI mark

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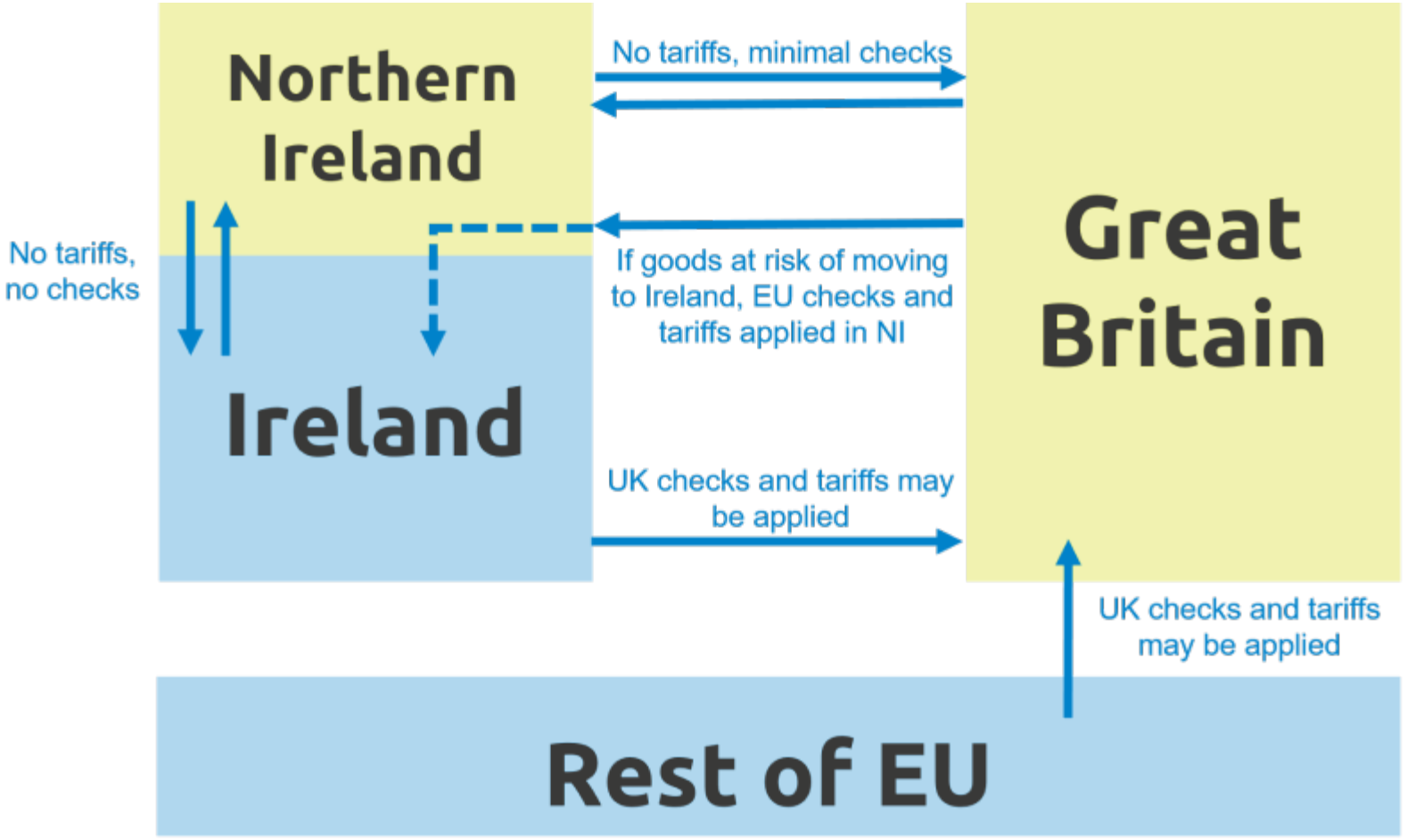

CPR & CE Status in EU

Discussions and Consultations within the EU

a) *No Change – no revision, improve through guidance & legislation*
b) *Repair – amend through legislation, clarifying scope and improving effectiveness*
c) *Focusing – Limit the scope to core areas and assessment methods*
d) *Enhance – Introduce product requirements*
e) *Repeal – Rely instead on Mutual Recognition*

Excluding option a) and e), the other options could be "mix & match"

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In Summary

- *The GGF believe that leaving with a deal is obviously the best result for the UK and our members*
- *If No Deal, the bones of a CE replacement are there, but considerable clarification is necessary before it can be successfully implemented*
- *During transition, our acceptance of CE and Europe's resistance to UKCA is an unfair advantage*
- *Do consult with your existing provider for guidance and their preparations for 2021 onwards*
- *The situation with the NI protocol needs further clarification*
- *Will any changes in the EU's CPR & CE marking be reflected in the UK version ?*