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Revised mandate to CEN for standardization in the field of recreational craft.

I BACKGROUND.

This mandate relates to the Council Directive on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to recreational craft, which was adopted by the Council on 16 June 1994 (OJEC L 164 of 30 Juin 1994). Article 1 of the Directive states that it applies to recreational craft, partly completed boats and components; recreational craft are defined as any boat of any type, regardless of the means of propulsion, from 2.5 to 24 m hull length, measured according to the appropriate harmonized standard, intended for sports and leisure purposes. There are certain exceptions to the scope of the Directive, which are listed in Annex A.

Articles 2 and 3 of the Directive lay down that recreational craft falling within the scope of the Directive must meet the essential safety requirements applicable to them before they can be placed on the market. These essential safety requirements are specified in Annex I of the Directive. Article 5 lays down that recreational craft shall be presumed to comply with the essential safety requirements when they comply with national standards transposing harmonized standards.

On 2 January 1993 a standardization mandate (CEN/02-92) was sent to CEN for the drawing up of standards relating to recreational craft on the basis of the above-mentioned Directive. This mandate called for the drawing up of a group of European standards, some of which were to be converted from, or based on, existing or draft ISO standards. The detailed programme extracted from this earlier mandate is attached at Annex B.

Following the start of work on the execution of the programme, CEN requested, by letter of 16 March 1994, the addition to the mandate of five new work items, based on work in progress in ISO. They are listed in Annex C. Furthermore, it may be that future new items in the field of recreational craft may have to be added to the programme of CEN in order to meet the requirements of the Directive. It is regarded as undesirable, on the grounds of administrative efficiency, that the addition of every new standardization work

item to the programme of the standards body in a mandated field should require the drawing up and agreement of a new mandate.

It is therefore the purpose of this mandate to replace the earlier one, CEN/02-92, with the present one calling for the completion of the existing mandated work and adding the new items already notified by CEN. At the same time, it allows CEN to add future standardization items for recreational craft according to the scope of the draft Directive, or to amend the structure of the programme under preparation, without the necessity of issuing a new mandate every time the need for such addition or amendment becomes evident.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE MANDATED WORK.

The Commission hereby requests CEN to draw up standards relating to recreational craft falling within the scope of the Directive, that are capable of giving presumption of conformity with the essential safety requirements of the Directive mentioned above.

The standards are to include, but are not limited to, the standards relevant to recreational craft called for in mandate CEN/02-92 and which are listed in Annex B; and those of which CEN notified the Commission on 16 March 1994 and which are listed in Annex C.

Where additional standards projects in the area of recreational craft are approved for addition to the work programmes of CEN or CENELEC, or where, in elaborating the standards, it becomes evident that amendments to the structure of the programme become necessary, CEN shall advise the Commission of any such amendments or additions; the Commission will in its turn advise the Committee on Standards and Technical Regulations. In principle such new or amended work shall be covered by this mandate.

Co-operation shall be established and maintained as necessary with CENELEC.

III. EXECUTION OF THE MANDATE.

- 1 This mandate withdraws and replaces mandate CEN/02-92.
- 2 CEN shall present the draft standards listed in Annex B to the Commission by the target dates that have been notified to the Commission. CEN shall notify the Commission of the target dates for the standards listed in Annex C within three months of the date of acceptance of this mandate. CEN (in cooperation with CENELEC as appropriate) shall notify the Commission of any further standards projects, with their target dates, which it approves for addition to its work programme, that may fall within the area of technology covered by this mandate.

3. The European Standards (EN) shall be adopted by the target dates notified to the Commission. At these dates, the three linguistic versions (German, English, French) shall be available as well as the correct titles in the other Union languages.
4. The European standards adopted shall be transposed into national standards and differing national standards shall be withdrawn from the catalogues of the national standards organizations in the Member States within six months of their adoption.
5. The earlier mandate CEN/02-92 having been accepted by CEN, the standstill period referred to in Article 7 of Council Directive 83/189/EEC of 28 March 1983 (OJ N° L 109 of 26 April 1983) is in force regarding the items listed in Annex B, and remains in force upon acceptance of this mandate and consequent withdrawal of mandate CEN/02-92. Notification by CEN of additional standards in accordance with III.2 above starts the standstill in respect of other items.

ANNEX A

LIST OF EXCEPTIONS TO THE DEFINITION OF RECREATIONAL CRAFT EXTRACTED FROM THE DIRECTIVE

3. The following shall be excluded from the scope of this Directive

- a) craft intended solely for racing, including rowing racing boats and training rowing boats labelled as such by the manufacturer;
- b) canoes and kayaks, gondolas and pedalos;
- c) sailing surfboards;
- d) powered surfboards, personal watercraft and other similar powered craft;
- e) original, and individual replicas of, historical craft designed before 1950, built predominantly with the original materials and labelled as such by the manufacturer;
- f) experimental craft, provided that they are not subsequently placed on the Community market;
- g) craft built for own use, provided that they are not subsequently placed on the Community market during a period of five years;
- h) craft specifically intended to be crewed and to carry passengers for commercial purposes, without prejudice to Article 1(2) of this Directive;
- i) submersibles;
- j) air cushion vehicles;
- k) hydrofoils.

ANNEX B

LIST OF STANDARDS COVERED BY MANDATE CEN/02-92.

1. Verification of the applicability of an EN standard to the Directive and preparation of a possible revision :

EN 2-8847-1989, Small craft - Wire rope and pulley systems

2. Transposition into European Standards (EN) of the following ISO Standards :

ISO 8846:1990, Small craft - Electrical devices - Protection against ignition of surrounding flammable gases

ISO 8848:1990, Small craft - Remote steering systems

ISO 8849:1990, Small craft - Electrically operated bilge pumps

ISO 9097:1991, Small craft - Electric fans

ISO 9775:1990, Small craft - Remote steering systems for out board motors of 15 kW to 40 kW power

ISO 10087:1990, Small craft - Hull identification - Coding system

3. Establishment of European Standards (EN) on the basis of the following 14 ISO draft standards at an advanced stage of preparation :

DIS 8666-2, Small craft - Hull length - Measurement

DIS 9094-1, Small craft - Fire protection (craft < 15 m)

DIS 10088, Small craft - Permanently installed fuel systems and fixed fuel tanks

DIS 10133, Small craft - Electrical systems - Extra low voltage installations

DIS 10240, Small craft - Owner's manual

DIS 10592, Small craft - Hydraulic steering systems

CD 7840, Small craft - Fire resistant fuel hoses

CD 8469, Small craft - Non fire resistant fuel hoses

CD 8665, Small craft - Marine propulsion engines and systems

CD 10239, Small craft - Liquefield petroleum gas systems

CD 11105, Small craft - Ventilation of engine and fuel compartment

CD 11547, Small craft - Start-in-gear protection

8666-1, Small craft - Hull - General data

9094-2, Small craft - Fire protection (craft > 15m < 24m)

4. Establishment of European Standards (EN) on the following seven subjects/items concerning small craft, on which different ISO groups are already working :

- Samplings - Materials and handling,
- Samplings - Loads and load distribution,
- Windows, portlights, hatches, deadlights and doors - strength requirements,
- Cockpits and cockpit drainage,
- Stability,
- Visibility from the helm position,
- Manoeuvring speed and powering.

ANNEX C

LIST OF STANDARDIZATION WORK ITEMS RELATED TO RECREATIONAL CRAFT NOTIFIED TO THE COMMISSION ON 16 MARCH 1994 FOR COVERAGE BY THE PRESENT MANDATE.

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| CD 6185-1 | Inflatable boats |
| CD 6185-2 | Inflatable boats |
| CD 6185-3 | Inflatable boats |
| DIS 11192 | Graphic symbols |
| DIS 13297 | Alternating current installations |