

Compliance and Testing of Cable to UKCA and CE Standards

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Compliance and Testing of Cable products.

Cleveland Cable has become the worlds first BASEC approved cable stockist which within our scope includes MV cables. This certification shows our commitment to supplying cable which has been independently tested and approved to the highest criteria in the world, meeting all independent 3rd party testing criteria and providing us with independent 3rd party certification.

As part of the accreditation process, Cleveland Cable's management systems were rigorously tested to ensure we have in place a robust and inviolable QA process. We are able to carry out extensive testing within our 'Test Centre' which is accredited to test cables to BSI Kitemark accredited standard. Within the capabilities of our BSI approved testing facility we have the ability to test MV cables up to 33KV

We put our cables through rigorous Quality checks from the moment the cable arrives at our branches with visual inspections and samples taken via our sample program. The samples are then inspected and tested within our lab to confirm they meet the requirement of the standards and our high standards.

UKCA and European CE Marking

Cleveland Cable Company have been preparing for the changes which have occurred as a result of the UK withdrawal from the EU since the initial referendum was announced in 2016. We have carefully followed Government guidelines for nearly 5 years to ensure we are compliant at every stage both in the UK and in the EU

We believe we have a robust working strategy in place to allow a smooth change over to the UKCA mark from the European CE mark. We only purchase direct from manufacturers and not 3rd parties. As such we have excellent working relationships with our suppliers across the globe. We are in communication with them to ensure that all cable will be dual marked UKCA and CE by the end of the transition on 31st December 2022

This should have no effect on your project planning as we will be phasing out our older stock to ensure that new stock coming in is marked appropriately. We have a large warehousing facility in Dublin to which all older stock will be moved before the transition date, and will be replenishing new stock with dual marked or UKCA marked for those products which have diverged from European standards

Both BASEC and LPCB (Loss Prevention Certificate Board - for fireproof cables) have undertaken the appropriate steps and become certified to provide marking to both UKCA and CE which means we will still be able to provide for our current customers in the UK and the EU. We tend to order when needed, specific cable for longer term projects, infrastructure and large construction and new cable ordered will be of the appropriate standard for its final market whether that is in the UK or Europe

Cleveland Cable Company will always provide high quality products at the best prices that are available. They will always meet the relevant standard, be fit for purpose, and be suitably marked

Supply chain Review

In line with our ISO 9001:2015 accreditation, we carry out a global review of our supply chain, who we are in communication with. We have carried out on site and desktop audits with our major suppliers to ensure that all compliance and testing measures are in place, and that all certification is available across all lines.

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