

Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006
on machinery, and amending Directive 95/16/EC (recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

Article 1

Scope

- 1 This Directive applies to the following products:
 - a machinery;
 - b interchangeable equipment;
 - c safety components;
 - d lifting accessories;
 - e chains, ropes and webbing;
 - f removable mechanical transmission devices;
 - g partly completed machinery.
- 2 The following are excluded from the scope of this Directive:
 - a safety components intended to be used as spare parts to replace identical components and supplied by the manufacturer of the original machinery;
 - b specific equipment for use in fairgrounds and/or amusement parks;
 - c machinery specially designed or put into service for nuclear purposes which, in the event of failure, may result in an emission of radioactivity;
 - d weapons, including firearms;
 - e the following means of transport:
 - agricultural and forestry tractors for the risks covered by Directive 2003/37/EC, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these vehicles,
 - motor vehicles and their trailers covered by Council Directive 70/156/EEC of 6 February 1970 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of motor vehicles and their trailers⁽¹⁾, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these vehicles,
 - vehicles covered by Directive 2002/24/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 March 2002 relating to the type-approval of two or three-wheel motor vehicles⁽²⁾, with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these vehicles,
 - motor vehicles exclusively intended for competition, and
 - means of transport by air, on water and on rail networks with the exclusion of machinery mounted on these means of transport;
 - f seagoing vessels and mobile offshore units and machinery installed on board such vessels and/or units;
 - g machinery specially designed and constructed for military or police purposes;
 - h machinery specially designed and constructed for research purposes for temporary use in laboratories;
 - i mine winding gear;
 - j machinery intended to move performers during artistic performances;
 - k electrical and electronic products falling within the following areas, insofar as they are covered by Council Directive 73/23/EEC of 19 February 1973 on the harmonisation

of the laws of Member States relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits⁽³⁾:

- household appliances intended for domestic use,
 - audio and video equipment,
 - information technology equipment,
 - ordinary office machinery,
 - low-voltage switchgear and control gear,
 - electric motors;
- l the following types of high-voltage electrical equipment:
- switch gear and control gear,
 - transformers.

- (1) [OJ L 42, 23.2.1970, p. 1](#). Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2006/28/EC ([OJ L 65, 7.3.2006, p. 27](#)).
- (2) [OJ L 124, 9.5.2002, p. 1](#). Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2005/30/EC ([OJ L 106, 27.4.2005, p. 17](#)).
- (3) [OJ L 77, 26.3.1973, p. 29](#). Directive as amended by Directive 93/68/EEC ([OJ L 220, 30.8.1993, p. 1](#)).