

Directive 2006/123/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on services in the internal market

CHAPTER V

QUALITY OF SERVICES

Article 25

Multidisciplinary activities

1 Member States shall ensure that providers are not made subject to requirements which oblige them to exercise a given specific activity exclusively or which restrict the exercise jointly or in partnership of different activities.

However, the following providers may be made subject to such requirements:

- a the regulated professions, in so far as is justified in order to guarantee compliance with the rules governing professional ethics and conduct, which vary according to the specific nature of each profession, and is necessary in order to ensure their independence and impartiality;
- b providers of certification, accreditation, technical monitoring, test or trial services, in so far as is justified in order to ensure their independence and impartiality.

2 Where multidisciplinary activities between providers referred to in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1 are authorised, Member States shall ensure the following:

- a that conflicts of interest and incompatibilities between certain activities are prevented;
- b that the independence and impartiality required for certain activities is secured;
- c that the rules governing professional ethics and conduct for different activities are compatible with one another, especially as regards matters of professional secrecy.

3 In the report referred to in Article 39(1), Member States shall indicate which providers are subject to the requirements laid down in paragraph 1 of this Article, the content of those requirements and the reasons for which they consider them to be justified.