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# The Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016

### PART 4

### Notification of conformity assessment bodies

#### **Changes to notifications**

**48.**—(1) Where the Secretary of State determines that a notified body no longer meets a notified body requirement, or is failing to fulfil its obligations under these Regulations other than conditions set in accordance with regulation 44(6)(b), the Secretary of State must restrict, suspend or withdraw the body's status as a notified body under regulation 42.

(2) With the consent of a notified body, or where the Secretary of State determines that a notified body no longer meets a condition set in accordance with regulation 44(6)(b), the Secretary of State may restrict, suspend or withdraw the body's status as a notified body under regulation 42.

(3) In deciding what action is required under paragraph (1) or (2), the Secretary of State must have regard to the seriousness of the non-compliance.

(4) Where the Secretary of State takes action under paragraph (1) or (2), the Secretary of State must immediately inform the European Commission, the other Member States and Northern Ireland.

(5) Where the Secretary of State has taken action in respect of a notified body under paragraph (1) or (2), or where a notified body has ceased its activity, the notified body must—

- (a) at the request of the Secretary of State, transfer its files relating to the activities it has undertaken as a notified body to another notified body or to the Secretary of State; or
- (b) in the absence of a request under sub-paragraph (a), keep its files relating to the activities it has undertaken as a notified body available for inspection by the Secretary of State and market surveillance authorities for a period of 10 years from the date they were created.