

Pressure Equipment Directive – User Responsibilities

Basic Assessment:

- PED is enforced in UK via PER 1999
- Majority of pressure containing equipment is covered (including pig traps)
- PED is a Trade Directive, so majority of duties apply to manufacturers and suppliers who place equipment on market.
- Main duty is to supply safe equipment, so duty passes to users who put purchased equipment into use.
- Easy approach is to ensure to general compliance with PER (ie requirement for demonstration of conformance)
- Conforming equipment is CE marked.
- The value of conforming equipment cannot be considered equivalent to non-conforming equipment
- Definition of exclusions are non-trivial
- User duties are likely to be enforced via in-use regulations (PSSR, PSR)

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PED – Further Advice

- PED Working Group: ped.eurodyn.com
- DTI Guidance: dti.gov.uk/strd
- Presentation to UKOPA:
 - Contacts:
 - DTI Mike Dodds
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Request for June Meeting?