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## 1. Introduction

You can now use the EPIL marks related to the certification you have achieved and enhance the commitment dedicated to verifying the quality of your work. The certification issued by EPIL protects companies, constitutes useful information for control Authorities, and, ever more frequently, is one of the requirements to participate in competitions and tenders. It is the visible guarantee of your quality because behind each certification lies a well-structured qualification process verified by a third party. It bears witness to the "promise of transparency" made to the market when you have decided to become certified. Therefore, it is crucial to give visibility to the certification achieved, reproducing the relevant marks wherever required by the Regulation that governs your certification, according to the criteria and methods set out in the pages below.

## 2. General Rules

### 2.1. Granting use of the marks

From the date of issuance of the certificate, the concessionaire, the organization, and the professional figure (from now on, "client") has the right to use the marks granted by EPIL (from now on, "marks"). The marks are legally registered as collective marks; all the rights deriving from these registrations are reserved for the legal party registered them.

### 2.2. Provisions for the use of the marks

The marks can be used:

- only concerning the single certification scheme(s) for which the relevant certification has been achieved
- with the clear identification of the subject matter (product, organization, competence, etc.) of the certification;
- in the period of validity of the certificate;
- attributing the correct meaning to the certification to which the marks attest to;
- complying with the specific indications for each type of certification


### 2.3. Control over the use of the marks

EPIL monitors the correct usage of the certification issued and relevant marks. To this end, the client can send the project department of EPIL a copy of the business documentation for approval before publication; This takes the form of catalogs, advertising tools, contracts, or other forms of communication that it intends to issue to publicize the attainment of the certification.

### 2.4. Incorrect use of the marks and the certification

The marks and the certification are misused if they deceive the message recipients, damage the reputation of EPIL, compromise the public's trust, or rather when the same are not used following this Regulation. In particular, by way of example, the client cannot use the mark and/or certification when:

- The certification has not been issued;
- The certification has still to be issued (the requesting party CAN NOT publicize the request for certification until it has been granted the relevant right to use the mark. Nevertheless, in particular cases – which must be adequately motivated – for example, participation in public tenders – EPIL may allow the requesting party to inform the interested party that the request for certification has been transmitted to EPIL);
- the certification has been revoked (or suspended, where indicated in the provision for suspension);
- the marks are matched with products/activities/services. which are not covered by the certification;

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- in the case of product marks, during the period of validity of the procedure "On-call inspections" (see "EPIL Marks – General Regulation for the Certification of products"), the Client issues certified products on the market that EPIL has not controlled;
- if the marks are used in such a way as to be interpreted as marks of conformity to standards of organization management systems;
- in the case of system marks, if the marks are applied to tests, calibration or inspection reports, or certificates issued by the certified organization;
- in the case of system marks, if the marks are applied to products and appropriate packaging\* and/or type labels, and/or identification plates or, in any case, they are used in a way to be interpreted as indications of product conformity, including cases in which documents issued by the organization represents the product (e.g., analysis certificates, medical reports, certificates of conformity, etc.).

Note: Packaging is a term used to describe what can be removed without the product being disintegrated or damaged. On the packages and the accompanying information, the organization can use only one declaration regarding the possession of the Management System certification, which must include the following references: identification of the certified organization; type of Management System (e.g., quality, environment), and applicable standard; identification of EPIL as Certification Body

**2.5. Incorrect use of the marks and certification: EPIL actions**

In the event of misuse, EPIL will take all the actions necessary to stop this (including withdrawal of the mark or appropriate legal action), protecting its rightmost appropriately, including by publishing the occurrence on its communication media and, where necessary, on the press.

**3. Marks related to product certification**

**3.1. Where they can be reproduced**

The EPIL marks related to product certification can be affixed to:

- certified products (reproduction of the mark on certified products is compulsory)
- packaging of certified products
- promotional labels of certified products
- instruction booklets and on the factsheet of the certified product
- advertising material, when the product advertised has achieved EPIL certification
- catalogs, but only in correspondence to the certified products or specifying which products have achieved certification
- Internet sites, in correspondence to the certified products
- company brochures, specify to which products the EPIL certification refers.

**3.2. Where they cannot be reproduced**

The EPIL marks related to product certification cannot be shown on:

- letter paper, invoices, business cards, e-mails, motor vehicles, and any publication and communication in which it is not possible to specify which products the EPIL certification refers to
- There are catalogs of non-certified products, even if one or more components are EPIL certified.

**3.3. How they should be reproduced**

This document is confidential of EPIL. It shall not be copied in whole or in part, in any printed, mechanical, electronic, film, or other distribution/storage media, or E-media without written permission by EPIL management. This document is intended for internal EPIL use and for reviewing by the Accreditation Body chosen by EPIL

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- **size:** the EPIL marks can be reproduced in the size required, but they must always be perfectly legible (their minimum size should NOT be less than 10 mm) without altering the proportions between base and height).
- **Colors:** the marks can be reproduced in color (in the colors specified beside each mark) in black-white.

### 3.4. For equipment covered by EPIL unit verification certificate

EPIL may issue the conformity mark license under the following requirements and provisions:

The mark may only be used on the equipment marking covered by the unit verification certificate and cannot be displayed on promotional material, websites, etc.

The assessment of the applicant’s proposed use of the mark is conducted by the EPIL CB at the assessment/testing stage of processing a unit verification certificate application.

This requirement reflects the fact that manufacturers of equipment covered by unit verification certificates are not subject to ongoing surveillance in relation to this equipment.

The results of this assessment by the EPIL TL/EPIL CB of the proposed use of the mark shall be recorded in the EPIL TR.

The same license and mark may be used on subsequent equipment covered by unit verification certificates where EPIL is used.


The mark may be used on instruction manuals where such form part of the certification documentation and have been reviewed by EPIL.


### 3.5. Exceptional Cases


In the event that the product or component is small and only in exceptional cases, the general rule which states that products granted use of the EPIL mark must be identified by the presence of the EPIL mark can be waived.

The Exception can only be granted on the specific request of the manufacturer, who documents the physical impossibility of applying such a mark; In these cases, the Mark must still be shown on the packaging of the products or components.

#### Products:

Mark	Code	Denomination	Color
	01	<b>Ex-products</b> Certification of Conformity This mark is used for the <b>Ex-products</b> that have conformity with type 1b and 5 of CBP-701-01	Black-White

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	02	<b>Non-Ex-Products</b> Certification of compliance This mark is used for the non-Ex-products that have conformity with type 1b and 5 of CBP-701-01	Black-White
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#### 4. Rights and Obligations of the client


##### 4.1. The client has the right to:


- use the EPIL mark;
- terminate this Agreement at any time, giving EPIL in the written notice;

##### 4.2. The client is obliged to:

- Certified products manufactured and supplied shall fulfill the requirements stated in the standards and general and specific rules specified in the certificate.
- The products for which the certificate is granted shall be manufactured to the exact specifications as the sample that the EPIL found by the initial testing to conform with the standard.
- strictly confine to the EPIL mark patterns and procedure of use, agreed upon with EPIL,
- inform EPIL of termination of activities in the approved certification sphere or forthcoming liquidation;
- stop using the EPIL mark in the case of call-off, termination, annulment, suspension, or revocation of certification
- When the EPIL mark of conformity relates to a tangible product, the mark shall be directly applied to each product, except where the physical size of the product does not permit this or when the application is not appropriate for the type of product, in which case it may be applied on the package or other accompanying information. If the EPIL mark of conformity relates to certain parts of a product, its use rules shall include requirements to minimize any misunderstanding that the mark applies to the entire product.
- The EPIL mark shall be traceable to the specified requirements to which the object of conformity assessments conforms.
- If the EPIL mark of conformity relates to certain parts of a product, its use rules shall include requirements to minimize any misunderstanding that the EPIL mark applies to the entire product.
- The use of the EPIL mark must comply with product certification contract requirements.
- The EPIL mark must only be used for products within the certification and for sites certified.
- Any variation from colors defined by this document is not acceptable in colorful prints.
- Descriptive words - preferably universally understandable Symbols - should appear close to the EPIL mark to indicate which grade or type is certified in cases where the standard contains different grades or types.

EPIL mark should be used according to the example below in the same proportions:

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EPIL Mark  As a sample for Product certification	 Marking of the product or component
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