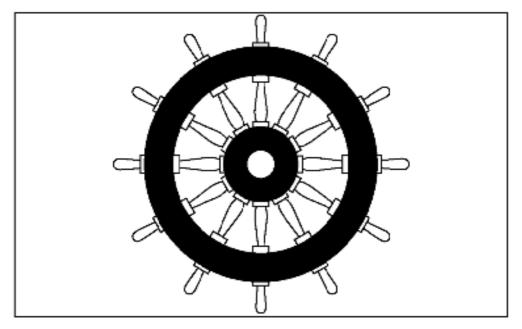


Warringtonfire Testing and Certification Limited trading as Warringtonfire – Guidance Note on Affixing the European Wheelmark / UK Conformity Mark (Black Ensign)

From here on in, references to Warringtonfire Testing and Certification Limited trading as Warringtonfire will be shown as Warringtonfire.

The product whose performance has been attested under the Marine Equipment Directive / The Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 SI 2019/470 shall be labelled with the mark shown below. The mark can either be on the product itself or on the product packaging. Below the mark, the Notified Body number, the year of affixing the mark and the USCG approval number shall be referenced. (Mandatory Information).

European Wheelmark information



2812/ Year of affixing mark (i.e. 2021)

164.XXX/2812/ERO MED0XXX

The Element Rotterdam Notified Body No – 2812 shall be used on products which have current certification issued by Element Rotterdam. It shall not be used on any other product and shall be removed on the expiry or withdrawal of certification. The Notified Body number is the property of Element Rotterdam and shall not be used on any documents without the express permission of Element Rotterdam.

The numbers in the bottom right relate to the USCG Approval Category i.e. 164.117 = Floorcoverings, or 164.108 for bulkheads, the next number is the Element Rotterdam Notified Body No -2812 and the last number is the MED (Wheelmark)/USCG Certificate Number i.e. ERO MED 0123. (Mandatory Information).

This information, along with a Declaration of Conformity, must be attached to every product manufactured for the Marine market. **(Mandatory Information)**.

Further advice and guidance can be sought from your Certification Engineer.

UK Black Ensign Mark information



1121/Year of affixing mark (i.e. 2021) 164.1XX/1121/WCL MER 0XXX

ANNEX 5 - UK Conformity Mark for Marine Equipment

The UK Conformity Mark must be affixed to marine equipment in accordance with the Regulations and must take the form set out below.

In any event, the UK Conformity mark for marine equipment must:

Be legible and permanently marked on the equipment which is in compliance with the Regulations;

contrast the background it is printed/ stamped etc on such that is either printed on a block white background or transparent background, providing legibility is maintained;

have vertical dimensions of at least 5mm with the ability to waive this for smaller products and/ or where the size of the conformity mark would not provide for legibility due to the size or nature of the product or it is not otherwise practicable to place the mark on the product in which case the mark should be placed on the accompanying paperwork or packaging; and

as per the Regulations, be accompanied by the identification number of the Approved Body which issues the quality assurance module of conformity (Module D, E or F) or if module G is used, the module G certificate as well as the date of affixing the mark as indicated above (where 1121 is Approved Body Number and YY/YYYY the year of affixing the conformity mark). 1121/YY or 1121/YYYY).

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact <u>EWCL@warringtonfire.com</u>