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**Subject:** Approval framework (of approved bodies)**Question:** May an approved body operate in another Member State than that where it has been approved ?**Answer:**

\* Conformity to new receptacles : in this case, the approved bodies operate only for the organisation which they belong to. They may operate only for the placing on the national market. A Member State may authorize an approved body to assess the conformity of a transportable pressure receptacle built abroad for its national market.

\* Reassessment of conformity for existing transportable pressure receptacles : approved bodies may carry out conformity reassessment of existing equipment provide that an EC type-examination certificate have been issued by a notified body. Therefore, an approved body may carry out conformity reassessment for equipment used abroad.

\* Periodic inspection :

- for receptacles (including their valves and accessories), an approved body may perform periodic inspection without restriction. It can therefore perform periodic inspection abroad within its own organisation ;

- for tanks (including their valves and accessories) : an approved body may perform periodic inspection under the supervision of a notified body (see Article 6 of Directive 1999/36/EC).

See also Form 18