

The **Personal Protective Equipment**, is covered by Regulation (EU) 2016/425, and classified into 3 categories:

- the 1st category includes PPE with a simple design, intended to protect the person from the risk of minor physical injury.
- the 3rd category includes PPE with a complex design intended to protect against the risk of death or serious injury of a permanent nature.
- PPE that does not belong to the above two categories, belong to the 2nd category.

Before proceeding with the production of a 2nd or 3rd category PPE, the manufacturer or his representative residing in the European Union must request the issue of an **EU type-examination** certificate by a notified Body.

The EU type-examination certificate is a document whereby a **notified Body certifies** that a model of PPE meets the applicable essential health and safety requirements set out into **Annex II of the Regulation**. The EU type-examination includes the assessment of the adequacy of the technical design of the PPE through examination of the technical documentation, as well as the examination of a complete sample of PPE, representative of the production envisaged (type of production).



The 3rd category PPE are also subject to surveillance procedures that require the conformity to type based on **internal production control** or conformity to type based on **quality assurance** of the production process by a notified Body, according to the requirements of **Article 19** of the Regulation.

The **EU type-examination certificate** and **surveillance procedures** must be carried out by Bodies which are notified by the European Commission and deemed to meet the minimum requirements set out in **Regulation (EU) 2016/425**.

MTIC INTERCERT Srl is a notified Body with no. **CE 0068** since **1991** for issuing **EU type-examination certificates** (Module B) to manufacturers of personal protective equipment (PPE) and for carrying out all the **conformity assessment procedures** set out in Annex VII (Module C2 - conformity to type based on internal production control combined with product tests under official control carried out at random intervals) and Annex VIII (Module D - conformity to type based on quality assurance of the production process).