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MCRMA STATEMENT ON CE MARKING OF ROOF WALKWAY PRODUCTS

INTRODUCTION

Member companies within the Metal Cladding and Roofing Manufacturers Association (MCRMA) recognise and understand the requirements set out in the Construction Products Regulations 2011 (CPR) and where applicable issue or affix a CE mark to all individual products or component parts that form part of a recognised system.

From 1 July 2013, under the CPR, it became mandatory for manufacturers to draw up a Declaration of Performance (DoP) and apply CE marking to any of their construction products which are covered by a harmonised European standard (hEN) or conforms to a European Technical Assessment (ETA) which has been issued for it, when such a product is placed on the market.

This means that any manufacturer of levelled walkways and treads complying to the harmonised standard EN 516:2006 *Prefabricated accessories for roofing - Installations for roof access - Walkways, treads and steps*, must ensure these products bear the CE mark.

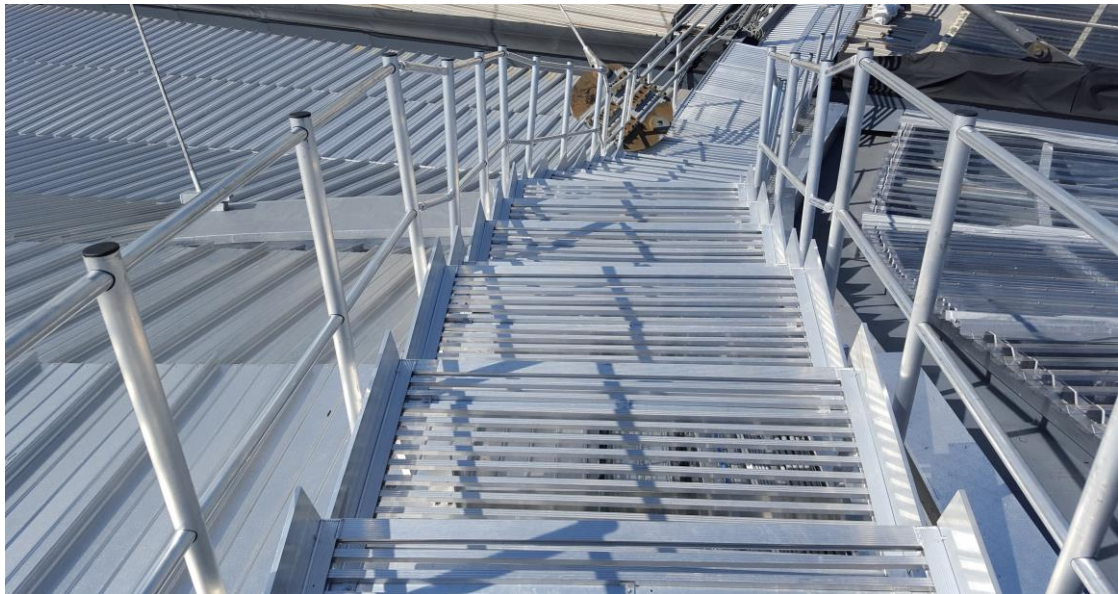
BS EN 516:2006 applies to installations for roof access (building products) permanently fixed to the load bearing construction of pitched roofs, to stand or to walk on during inspection, maintenance and repair of facilities on the roof. The standard specifies essential dimensions, materials to be used, requirements with respect to the load-bearing capacity of the installation for roof access fastened to the roof construction including their fastening system, and the extent of testing.

To bear the CE mark and meet the requirements of EN 516:2006, all walkway systems need to be fully compliant, designed and tested by an independent notified body for its material construction, slip resistance and deflection under load.

CE marking is a visible sign that the product complies with all relevant product supply law, and its presence together with the Declaration of Conformity gives the product to which it is affixed presumption of conformity with relevant product safety directives.

MCRMA members manufacture products to National and International standards and operate QA measures, such as EN ISO 9001, to ensure materials, processes and procedures are maintained to the highest standard.

Individual manufacturers within the MCRMA should be contacted directly for specific information about their products, systems and services.



*A typical walkway system
Image courtesy of M R Site Services Limited*

REFERENCES

BS EN 516:2006 *Prefabricated accessories for roofing - Installations for roof access - Walkways, treads and steps*

Declaration of Conformity - <http://www.hse.gov.uk/work-equipment-machinery/declaration-conformity.htm>

The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015

MCRMA Guidance Document GD10 *Working at Heights – a fall prevention and safety checklist*

Working at Height Regulations (WAHR) 2005 (including 2007 updates)

NOTE:

For comprehensive guidance on all aspects of working on roofs please visit the roof safety section at www.mcrma.co.uk/roof-safety/

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