



EuroTest – a third party certificate

The EuroTest logo is used by many companies which manufacture and CE-mark protective clothing for users of hand held chain saws. The logo can often be seen on their certified products.

What does the CE-mark on a product imply?

The EU and EFTA have common regulations for product safety. An important point of the directives concerning product safety is that the producer himself shall guarantee that the product has been manufactured in accordance with the basic health and safety requirements laid down by the applicable directives. The manufacturer is obliged to show this by marking the product with the CE-mark. By doing this the manufacturer in the EU/ EFTA country in question accepts total responsibility for the safety of the product. Protective clothing for users of hand held chain saws is an example of a product which, in addition, must be inspected and tested by a third party - a Notified Body – before it is CE-marked.

What does the EuroTest certificate on a product imply?

EuroTest is the trademark for a voluntary third-party certificate. A product with a EuroTest-certificate has been inspected by a third party, which has found that the product complies with the basic health and safety requirements in the applicable directives. Put simply, it means that a competent and independent third party expert has assessed that the CE-mark on the product is fully justified. An important part of the EuroTest-concept is that re-inspections and tests are regularly made on randomly chosen samples of certified products, in order to ascertain that they comply with the type-inspected sample. EuroTest-certificates can be issued by certification bodies that are members of the EuroTest-cooperation.



Why should a manufacturer engage EuroTest?

All protective clothing for users of chain saws must carry the CE-mark. If they in addition carry the EuroTest-mark, both the manufacturer and his customers know that regular re-inspections and tests are made by an accredited institute on randomly chosen samples. This minimizes the risk that for product safety being affected by variation in the production or unintentional changes in design. EuroTest shows that the manufacturer has gone very far to ensure that all produced garments, with a certificate, fulfil the safety requirements.



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