

QUESTIONNAIRE
for MANUFACTURERS/APPLICANTS ON THE
OIML CERTIFICATE SYSTEM AND
THE MUTUAL ACCEPTANCE ARRANGEMENT (MAA)

Please return your completed questionnaire to the BIML before 2004.07.31

Manufacturer/Applicant:

Notes: 1) Questions 1-9 relate to the period from July 2000 to June 2004;
2) Before answering the following questions please read the Summary information enclosed

A Questions related to the OIML Certificate System

1. How did you learn of the operation of the OIML Certificate System?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> OIML Bulletin | <input type="checkbox"/> Other OIML publication | <input type="checkbox"/> Information from CIML Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> National press | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please indicate): | _____ |

2. For which reason(s) did you apply for OIML certificate(s)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> To facilitate product export | <input type="checkbox"/> To facilitate type approval in a third country |
| <input type="checkbox"/> To obtain EU type approval | <input type="checkbox"/> To shorten cost and time for testing and approval |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please indicate) | _____ |

3. For which reason(s) did you choose the given country(ies) for applying?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> It is your country | <input type="checkbox"/> Good references |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best cost and time offer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please indicate) _____ |

4. Was (were) your application(s) for OIML Certificate(s) connected with applications for national/
regional type approval?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, in how many cases? _____

5. Has there been any case in which your application was refused?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, for what reason? (please indicate) _____

6. Did the Issuing Authority or the test laboratory consider the results of tests made previously by other laboratories or by yourself?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, in how many cases? _____

7. What is your opinion concerning the conduct of tests, their costs and the issuing of OIML Certificate(s)?

☐ Satisfactory, correct

☐ Volume and cost of tests are high

☐ Other (please indicate) _____

8. Have there been any cases when the Certificate was not issued?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, in how many cases and for what reason(s)? (please indicate) _____

9. Have you used OIML Certificate(s) to facilitate and accelerate national/regional type approval or to permit export to various countries?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, what was the result?

☐ Certificates were accepted to replace national type evaluation and approval (please indicate in how many cases) _____

☐ Certificates were taken into consideration to facilitate the process of national type approval (please indicate in how many cases) _____

☐ Certificates were not accepted (please indicate in how many cases) _____

10. Do you consider that an OIML Certificate represents an added value to your instrument(s) and facilitates their commercialization? Do you use it as an advertising argument in publications concerning your products?

☐ Yes

☐ No

11. Do you intend to apply for further OIML Certificates for other types (modules and families) of instrument that you manufacture (based on OIML B 3)?

☐ Yes

☐ No

12. Apart from the new possibility of issuing Certificates for modules and families of measuring instruments, in which directions do you suggest that the OIML Certificate System should be developed? (Please indicate)

B Questions related to the OIML Mutual Acceptance Arrangement (MAA)

(Before answering the following questions please read the Summary information enclosed)

1. Are you aware of the advantages that the implementation of the OIML Mutual Acceptance Arrangement may offer to manufacturers?

☐ Yes

☐ No

2. Are you interested in the implementation of the MAA - i.e. establishment of Declaration(s) of Mutual Confidence (DoMCs) - for your products?

☐ Yes

☐ No

3. For which categories of measuring instruments do you consider that DoMCs needed to be established?

4. Are you ready to pay a higher registration fee (ca. 150 euros) for the Certificates and Test Reports issued under a Declaration of Mutual Confidence (DoMC)?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If you have any additional comments and proposals both on the Certificate System and the MAA please indicate below, or use a separate sheet:
