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New European Medical Device Regulation

New rules for the medical devices manufacturers.

The new Medical Device Regulation (MDR), Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of April 2017 and published on the Official Journal of the European Union in May 2017, entered into force on May 26th 2017 repealing Medical Device Council Directive 93/42/EEC.

The MDR modifies the whole regulatory framework for Medical Devices market in Europe with change on several topics, hereafter listed:

- Extension of Scope
- Medical Devices classification rules according to risk, contact duration and invasiveness
- Requirements for the Technical File
- Requirements for the Clinical evaluation
- Rigorous post-market
- CE marking procedures (annex and topics) and requirement and content of EU Declaration of Conformity
- Requirements for production and release of the product
- Identification of “qualified person”
- Implementation of unique device identification (UDI)
- Notified body: more detail for the notification
- Responsibility and role of manufacturers, importers, distributors and agents.

Manufacturers of currently approved medical devices will have a transition period of three years until May 2020 to meet the requirements of the MDR.

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