

RECOMMENDATIONS
of the **Administrative Co-operation Working Group (LVD ADCO)**

in the framework of Council Directive 2006/95/EEC
on the harmonisation of the laws of Member States relating to
electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits – LVD¹.

- I. If harmonised standards are used and referred to in the EC declaration of conformity, the presumption is that the product complies with essential requirements of the Low Voltage Directive (LVD). If other standards and methods are used, the technical documentation should show evidence that the product fulfils the essential requirements of LVD. It is for the authority to prove non-conformity of the product with the provisions of the LVD before undertaking restrictions. (Helsinki 1997-11-27)
- II. It is recommended that Member states require that a new type number be attached to a modified, earlier banned product, which has been brought into conformity. (Brussels 2000-04-26)
- III. Cord extension sets fall within the scope of the LVD. The CE-marking is best placed somewhere along the cord, e.g. directly on the cord in the form of a tag or suchlike. In the case of a multiple socket-outlet cord extension set the CE-marking may be affixed on the cord or on the multiple socket-outlet enclosure. (Brussels 2001-06-19)
- IV. When a sales ban or recall is decided the issuing Member State should ensure, if possible, that the manufacturer, his authorised representative or the EEA-importer, is informed at the earliest possible stage. (Brussels 2001-06-11)
Note: Now covered by Regulation on Accreditation & Market Surveillance², Regulation 765/2008.
- V. The safety warnings and safety instructions needed to ensure that electrical equipment will be used safely and for intended applications shall be marked on the equipment. If this is not possible the warnings and instructions shall be made available on an accompanying paper. Providing the safety warnings and safety instructions on an accompanying CD-ROM, DVD, or on other media requiring additional equipment to read them, does not fulfil the requirement in paragraph 1a of Annex I of the Low Voltage Directive.

This has been confirmed and approved during the LVD-ADCO meeting on:
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1. OJ L 374/10, 27.12.2006 2. OJ L 218/30, 13.8.2008
2. It will replace Recommendations of the Administrative Co-operation Working Group (LVD ADCO) - 1997-2006 [103 KB]