

Your quick guide to CE Marking

What is CE Marking?

CE marking is all about traceability. Put simply; a CE Marked Company will have Factory Production Control (FPC) and as a result will have a fully documented system that can be called upon at any time to prove the following:-

- Steel traceability including 3.1 test cert from the mills
- Fabricator and Welder traceability (ASME only use coded welders)
- Welding Procedure Specification traceability, type tested and approved
- Quality assurance all the way through production via Inspection & Test Plan (ITP)
- Supply chain management

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE http://www.steelconstruction.info/CE_marking

You should ask your steelwork company for a copy of their:

- Factory production control (FPC) certificate
- Welding certificate (annex to FPC)
- Declaration of performance (DoP)

Please visit ASME's website for examples of all 3 documents required.
<http://www.asmeengineering.co.uk/compliance/fpc-ce-marking.html>

What if you use a NON CE MARKED steelwork company?

Put simply; you will be **breaking the law**. Since 1st July 2014, legislation states that anyone putting **Non CE Marked Steelwork** onto the market will be doing so **illegally**. Clients, Engineers & Main Contractors have a **legal responsibility** to ensure they use a CE Marked Steelwork Company to supply and fabricate their steelwork. The following is just some of the **consequences** you could face if you were to use a Non CE Marked Steelwork Company:-

- Delays on projects
- Financial penalties/losses
- Invalid Insurance and Warranties
- Suspension Notice
- Prohibition Notice
- Notices to warn & application for forfeiture
- Fine, Imprisonment or both

You could face prosecution by the following bodies:-

- Trading Standards Services
- The Health and Safety Executive
- Local Authority

ASME Engineering were one of the 1st London based steelwork companies to achieve CE Marking through the BCSA & SCCS; two of the most recognised and respected bodies in the steel industry. As a competent steelwork company we feel it is important to make our clients & prospective clients aware of this major legislation change in our industry (one of the biggest in over 100 years).