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Relation to PED: PED Annex I 3.1.3	CABF Recommendation
Question:	In 2022 a new edition of the standard EN ISO 9712 "Non-destructive testing - Qualification and certification of NDT personnel" was published. The previous 2012 edition had been referenced in the OJ as harmonized standard but as of 3.4.2024, this reference has been withdrawn. Do valid certificates which were issue under the 2012 edition before 3.4.2024 still provide presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of the PED?
Answer:	Yes, certificates which were issued under the 2012 edition before 3.4.2024 and which have not yet expired, may be deemed to provide presumption of conformity and therefor may be accepted in the conformity assessment procedure. However, any renewal/re-certification needs to be performed in accordance with the 2022 edition of the standard.
Reason:	The transition period from the publication of the new edition to the date of withdrawal of the 2012 edition from the list of harmonized standards was much shorter than the time span of validity of certificates according to the standard. Recent changes to the standard were mainly not addressing qualification and competence but the procedure of revalidation. In contrast to Annex I 3.1.2 for the approval of welders, in Annex I 3.1.3 no harmonized standard is mentioned for the approval of NDT personnel.
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