



The 94/9/CE instruction impose some prescriptions to equipment users and manufacturers for area with explosion risk. This instruction provide notably:

- The product agreement by a notified organism (by EC type examination certificate), but also the agreement of an insurance system of manufacturer production quality.
- The appending of « CE » marking on different product label. This marking mean that the product answers the instructions relating to it : ATEX instruction, but also if necessary Machine instruction, Low Voltage instruction, etc...
- The distinction between the explosible atmospheres due to the presence of gas, vapours or fog (code : G = Gas) and the explosible atmospheres due to presence of air mixture with dust (code : D = Dust).

The device authentication procedures for this two type of dangerous atmosphere will be differant, and a corresponding marking « G » or « D » is affixed on the authenticated device label.

- The instruction of conception and fabrication rules aiming to maximize the device safety, in order that they can function in a sure way during their foreseeable lifetime :

- Components choice,
- Opening by a particular tool,
- Prevention against the device overload by means of suitable limiters,
- Protection against the electrstatic loads, the stray currents and the leaks,
- The unacceptable heatings, etc...

- Taking account of the device operating conditions : humidity, vibrations, pollution, stray voltages...

Significance of classification in zones (under operator responsibility)

Atmosphere Nature		
Gaz and Vapour zone G (gaz)	Dust zone D (dust)	Presence of a explosible atmosphere
ZONE 0 Category 1G	ZONE 20 Category 1D	Permanent
ZONE 1 Category 2G	ZONE 21 Category 2D	Occasionnal
ZONE 2 Category 3G	ZONE 22 Category 3D	Accidental

The differents protection modes

Protection mode	Specification	Norms EN790079-0 +	Zone G	Zone D
Exe	Increased safety	EN 60079-7	1 and 2	
Exd	Explosion-proof	EN 60079-1	1 and 2	
Exi	Intrinsic safety	EN 60079-11	0, 1 and 2	
Exm	Encapsulation	EN 60079-18	1 and 2	
Exo	Oil immersion	EN 60079-6	1 and 2	
Exp	Internal overpressure	EN 60079-2	1 and 2	
Exq	Pulverulent filling	EN 60079-5	1 and 2	
IP6X + ground temperature	Protection by cover	EN 61241-1 EN50281-2-1		21 and 22
IP6X + Exi	Dual protection mode			20

TEMPERATURE RANGES (only for gaz)

TEMPERATURE RANGE ACCORDING CENELEC AND CEI

Range	T6	T5	T4	T3	T2	T1
Maximum temperature range	85° C	100° C	135° C	200° C	300° C	450° C

ATEX MATERIAL DETERMINATION

ACCORDING DEGREE PROTECTION CEI 529/ EN60529 / EN 60 034-5

IP X X

Protection against solids		Protection against liquids	
0	No protection	0	No protection
1	Protection against solids ≥ 50 mm (ex. Hands involuntary contact)	1	Protection against vertical water falls
2	Protection against solids $\geq 12,5$ mm (ex. Finger)	2	Protection against water falls until 15°
3	Protection against solids $\geq 2,5$ mm (ex. Tools, screws, ...)	3	Protection against water falls until 60°
4	Protection against solids ≥ 1 mm (ex. Fine tools, wire, ...)	4	Protection against water splashes from all directions
5	Protection against dust (No harmful deposits)	5	Protection against nozzle water steam from all directions
6	Totally protected against dust	6	Protection against water splashes some as waves
		7	Protected against immersion effects
		8	Protected against extended immersion effects under specified condition

PRODUCTS MARKING

ATEX MARKING EXEMPLE : **CE 0081**  **II 2 G EEx d IIC T6**

- CE :** The material respond to the European standards and directives which relate to it
- 0081 :** Identification number of the notified organism, when this one intervene in the production control phase :
0080 = INERIS et 0081 = LCIE
-  **Ex :** Authorized use in explosible atmosphere. Free circulation in the European union.
- II :** Devices group : (I = mines, II = ground industries)
- 2 :** Devices category : 1 = permanent risk (zone 0 and 20), 2 = frequent risk (zone 1 and 21), 3 = occasionnal risk (zone 2 and 22)
- G :** G = Gas and vapour, D = Dust
- EEx :** The material responds to the standardized protection modes by
The CENELEC FOR THE EXPLOSIBLE ATMOSPHERES
- d :** Protection mode by explosion-proof cover
- IIC :** The hardest gas group including hydrogen, acetylene and carbon disulphide
- T6 :** Temperature range corresponding to a maximum ground temperature lower than 85°C

Suffix X and U meaning

The marking of some products contains sometimes, at the end of the certificate reference, the letter X or U :

- X :** This symbol means that the product is subjected to special conditions for a sure using.
It is then necessary to refer to the certificate itself to know the nature of these special conditions.
- U :** This symbol means that the certificate relate to an Ex component (part of material).
This product cannot be used separately.