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The certification body of the PFI is the owner of the certificates and certification marks. The certification body allows its clients to use the certificate and the certification mark for GS after successful completion of the respective certification procedure for PPE. Basic regulations have been made for this purpose, which are handed out to the customers when the contract is concluded and are an integral part of the contract. Products that correspond to category III according to Regulation (EU) 2016/425 are excluded from the GS certification mark.

1. use of signs

The mark may be used on products or product packaging, on notices and in advertising. The use of the mark is subject to the following regulations:

- 1 The certification body of the PFI is the owner of the certification mark. After the certificate has been granted, the client shall be expressly authorised in writing by the certification body to use the certification body's mark depicted in 4.
- 2 The permission to use the mark of the certification body applies exclusively to the client's product certified according to the application of the certification body. It may not be used on laboratory reports, calibration certificates, inspection reports or certificates.
- 3 The mark of the certification body may only be used in the form shown under 4. The mark may be enlarged/reduced proportionally as long as the legibility of the contents remains guaranteed. Other changes to the mark are not permitted.
- 4 The mark of the certification body may only be used by the client in direct connection with the company name or logo of the client. Use of the mark is restricted to the licence holder and may not be transferred by the client to third parties or successors.
- 5 Should a claim be made against the Certification Body on the basis of the principles of product liability due to the use of the Certification Body's mark by the client in breach of contract, the client is obliged to indemnify the Certification Body against all claims by third parties. The same applies to cases in which claims are made against the certification body by third parties on the basis of advertising claims made by the client.
6. The client must ensure that the mark of the certification body is only used in competition in such a way that a statement corresponding to the certification is made about the client's product. The client must also ensure that the impression is not created in the context of the competition that the certification by the certification body was an official inspection.
- 7 The client acquires the non-transferable and exclusive right to use the mark of the certification body depicted in 4. accordance with the foregoing.

2. use of the certificate

The client may only make statements about the certification in respect of the products for which the certification has been granted. The certificate shall not be applied in a form that may be considered misleading. After suspension or withdrawal of the certificate, the client shall cease all advertising that refers in any way to the certification, return all documents required by the PFI certification body and

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remove the certification mark from the product. The client must ensure that no certification document and certification mark is used in a misleading manner. These requirements must also be fulfilled if the client refers to the certification in brochures, advertising material, etc.

3. termination of the right of use

The right of the client to use the mark of the certification body and to use the certificate shall end with immediate effect without the need for termination if, for example

- the client does not immediately notify the certification body of changes in the company's circumstances relevant for certification or of indications of such changes; the same applies to changes in the product; das Zertifikat und/oder Zertifizierungszeichen missbräuchlich verwendet wird;
- the reviews no longer justify the maintenance of the certificate;
- the company has been obliged to do so by an administrative act of the competent authority;
- the company does not fulfil the requirements according to the bases mentioned in the first indent even after the expiry of a set deadline;
- the fee is not paid within the time limit set by the certification body;

verifications cannot be carried out for reasons for which the client is responsible, the certification or the maintenance of the certificate is prohibited by regulatory or judicial law.

The right of the client to use the mark of the certification body and to use the certificate shall also end with immediate effect, without the need for termination, if the client uses the certification mark of the certification body in a manner contrary to the provisions or otherwise in a manner contrary to the contract. The certification body then has the right to withdraw or cancel the certificate.

Upon termination of the right of use, the client is obliged to surrender the certificate to the certification authority.

4. the mark



5. surveillance

The PFI certification body monitors the use of the certificate and certification mark and has procedures in place to address erroneous references to certification status or misleading use of certification documents, marks or audit reports.

Actions may include requests for correction and corrective action, suspension, withdrawal of certification, publication of the breach and, if necessary, legal action.