

## To Whom It May Concern

## Subject: PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425 and its significance for SHIELD Scientific gloves

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In April 2018 the PPE Regulation (EU) 2016/425 (PPER) came into force and has required the recertification of all SHIELD Scientific PPE gloves. To this end, we are pleased to advise that all the testing according to the applicable standards has been completed. In many cases products are already registered to the PPER and the requisite EU Declaration of Conformity along with the respective EU Type Examination certificate are available on request.

The products impacted by this change are as follows: ecoSHIELD\* SHIELDskin\* SHIELDskin CHEM\* SHIELDskin XTREME\*

Specifically, as part of the PPER registration process, testing has been conducted against the following standards:

ISO 374-1:2016 & A1:2018 EN 374-2:2014 EN 16523-1:2015 (replacing EN 374-3:2003) EN 374-4:2013 ISO 374-5:2016 EN 420:2003+A1:2009 ISO 16604-1:2004 Procedure B

The transition to the PPER will entail changes to packaging, product data sheets, Declarations of Conformity etc and signs of these changes will start to emerge during the second half of this year. However please note that according to Article 47 "Transitional provisions", product that is registered to the PPE Directive can continue to be sold in the marketplace until 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

More information on the changes to the PPE standards can be found in the newsletter infoSHIELD No 13 "All Change to the standards – Do you what it means?" Please ask your local SHIELD Scientific distributor for a copy. Alternatively, please contact us on <u>info@shieldscientific.com</u>"

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