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Foreword

The fourth edition of this guide has been prepared by the GAMBICA Variable Speed Drives Technical Working Group. It is an update of the third edition, taking into account recent changes in standards and directives. At the time of writing (2015) new Low Voltage and EMC directives have been published which are intended to be aligned with the EU New Legislative Framework. At present there is no published EU guidance for these directives, so this GAMBICA guide does not refer to them further.

This guide represents the views of the group on the requirements applicable to variable speed power drive systems. However, this guide has no legal force, and readers are advised to consult the text of the appropriate European Directives and national enabling legislation, together with the appropriate European Commission guidance documents.

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1 Introduction

Electrical Power Drive Systems (PDSs), including Complete Drive Modules (CDMs) and Basic Drive Modules (BDMs), are inherently complex items of power electronic equipment (see Figure 1).

They can exist in different classes, which range from components, sold either to the general public or to professional assemblers, through to products fully incorporated into an apparatus or an installation.

For the benefit of manufacturers, integrators, installers and users alike, this document describes each class of PDS and provides clear guidelines as to the application of three relevant European Directives:

- Low Voltage Directive (LVD) 2006/95/EC
- Machinery Directive (MD) 2006/42/EC
- Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMCD) 2004/108/EC

This document is therefore a "Drive Specific" extension to the European Commission's guidance on the application of each of these Directives.

This edition of the guide addresses the currently applicable provisions of the above Directives. Editions 1 and 3 of the guide cover previous corresponding directives.

Other European Directives (specifically the ATEX Directives ¹) are not addressed in this document.

For each Directive and, where appropriate, for each class of PDS, these guidelines define:

- Application of the Directive
- Responsibilities
- · Harmonised Standards to be used
- Requirements for Declarations of Conformity and CE marking
- Recommendations for the system integrator responsible for the installation.

While the focus of this document is low voltage (LV) equipment, the requirements for the EMC Directive and the Machinery Directive are also relevant for high voltage (HV) equipment.

¹ GAMBICA/REMA Technical Guide No 4 covers the requirements of ATEX

2 Power Drive Systems

The concept of a power drive system (PDS) is used to describe an electric motor drive system within an overall installation.

The terminology is used throughout IEC and EN standards relating to electrical variable speed drives to describe a combination of components, including a power converter and motor.

The conventional illustration of a PDS and its component parts is shown in Figure 1.

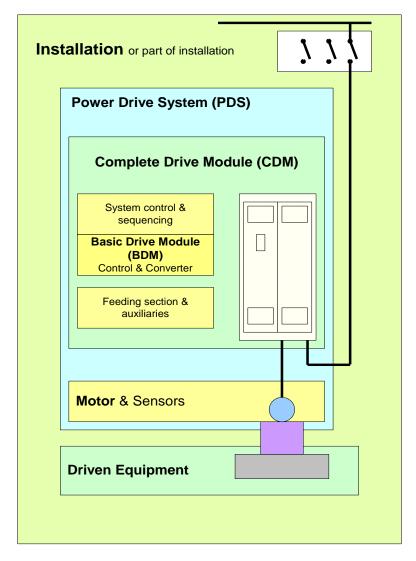


Figure 1 - The Power Drive System

BDM: Basic drive module consisting of power input, control, & power output sections

CDM: Complete drive module consisting of BDM and auxiliary sections, including devices such as incoming switches, input and output transformers and filters, etc. but excluding the motor, cables and motor-coupled sensors

PDS: Power drive system consisting of CDM, motor and sensors, excluding the driven equipment and sensors.

3 Low Voltage Directive (2006/95/EC)

3.1 Application

The Low Voltage Directive (LVD) applies to electrical equipment designed for use with a voltage rating of between 50 V and 1000 V a.c. and between 75 V and 1500 V d.c.

The Directive covers all risks arising from the use of electrical equipment, including not just electrical risks but also mechanical, chemical (such as, in particular, emission of aggressive substances) and all other risks.

3.2 EC Declaration of Conformity

Manufacturers of the BDM, CDM or PDS should affix the CE marking for conformity to the LVD to their equipment and provide a Declaration of Conformity relating to their scope of supply.

3.3 Harmonised standards

The principal harmonised standards that confer a presumption of conformity with essential requirements of the Directive are listed in Table 1.

Table 1 - Standards conferring a presumption of conformity with the LVD

BDM/CDM	PDS		
EN 61800-5-1 or	EN 61800-5-1 or EN 50178, and/or		
EN 50178	EN 60204-1		

A combination of standards may be necessary to ensure that all the essential requirements are addressed.

- NOTE 1 Some of the requirements in EN 60204-1 are relevant to a machine, but not to the PDS. Machines may have other requirements, outside the scope of this guide.
- NOTE 2 HV equipment is outside the scope of the LVD and therefore cannot have a Declaration of Conformity or be CE marked for conformity to the LVD. However, technical guidance is available in EN 61800-5-1.

NOTE 3 EN 50178 is expected to be withdrawn soon. It is unlikely to be used for new products.

4 Machinery Directive (2006/42/EC)

4.1 Introduction

Directive 2006/42/EC (the "new" Machinery Directive) replaced Directive 98/37/EC (the "old" or "existing" Machinery Directive) on 29 December 2009 with no transition period.

4.2 Directive 2006/42/EC

4.2.1 Application

Article 1(1) of Directive 2006/42/EC states that it applies to the following:

- a) machinery;
- b) interchangeable equipment;
- c) safety components;
- d) lifting accessories;
- e) chains, ropes and webbing;
- f) removable mechanical transmission devices;
- g) partly completed machinery.

Its objective is to lay down the essential health and safety requirements in relation to design and manufacture in order to improve the safety of machinery placed on the market.

4.2.2 EC Declaration of Conformity and Declaration of Incorporation

There are 3 categories which require consideration:

4.2.2.1 Partly completed machinery

Such equipment (as defined in Article 2(g) of Directive 2006/42/EC) requires a "Declaration of Incorporation" but no CE marking for conformity to Directive 2006/42/EC. In practice this may be a PDS which has specific functionality, but not a BDM or CDM.

4.2.2.2 Application independent equipment

This category typically relates to a general purpose BDM or CDM, which is application independent – such equipment does not require a Declaration of Incorporation or Declaration of Conformity and does not require a CE mark for conformity to Directive 2006/42/EC.

4.2.2.3 Safety components

A safety component could be a particular BDM, CDM or PDS provided it meets the following definition as given in Article 2(c) of Directive 2006/42/EC:

- "which serves to fulfil a safety function,
- · which is independently placed on the market,
- the failure and/or malfunction of which endangers the safety of persons, and
- which is not necessary in order for the machinery to function, or for which normal components may be substituted in order for the machinery to function."

This would apply where the drive includes features which are specifically intended to carry out machinery safety functions. Such equipment requires both a Declaration of Conformity and a CE mark for conformity to Directive 2006/42/EC.

Annex B of this guide gives an explanation of the status of drives with safety functions in respect of the directive, and the separate GAMBICA Technical Guide "Variable Speed Drives and Functional Safety of Machinery" gives more detailed guidance to the application of drives in safety functions of machines.

4.2.3 Harmonised Standards

For electrical control systems of machinery, the principal harmonised standards that confer a presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of Directive 2006/42/EC were listed in the OJ and comprise:

- EN ISO 13849-1
- EN 60204-1
- EN 60204-11
- EN 62061
- EN 61800-5-2

EN 61508 is the basic standard for functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable safety-related systems which underlies standards such as EN 62061 and EN 61800-5-2. It is not in itself listed in the OJ under the Machinery Directive.

A combination of standards may be necessary to ensure that all the essential requirements are addressed.

5 EMC Directive (2004/108/EC)

5.1 Application

The Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMCD) applies in principle to all electrical and electronic equipment. Its purpose is to ensure an acceptably low level of occurrences of electromagnetic interference. At each stage of the entire life cycle, from the apparatus² to the system or installation, each manufacturer or installer has the responsibility to apply the EMC Directive.

² Sub-systems other than basic components are referred to as "apparatus" in this directive

5.2 EC Declaration of Conformity

5.2.1 Transitions of Declarations of Conformity

Directive 2004/108/EC (the "new" EMC Directive) replaced Directive 89/336/EEC (the "old" EMC Directive) as follows:

- any Declarations of Conformity issued after 20 July 2007 must reference the "new" directive (2004/108/EC);
- as from 20 July 2009, only products which have a Declaration of Conformity that references the "new" directive (2004/108/EC) can be placed on the market.

5.2.2 BDM/CDM/PDS

5.2.2.1 BDM, CDM or PDS for general sale

These products may be sold either to an end-user or to a professional assembler.

NOTE 1 Generally an end-user is deemed to have no qualifications in the field of electromagnetic compatibility.

The new EMC Directive treats such products as apparatus (Directive Article 2(2), EC Guide for the EMC Directive Clause 1.2.3.1) because they could be installed by a person with little knowledge of EMC.

The manufacturer is responsible to ensure that sufficient EMC can be achieved by any (potentially unknown) customer or layman (plug-in, switch-on).

NOTE 2 The previous version of this Guide used the term "Unrestricted distribution"

CE marking and Declaration of Conformity are required.

5.2.2.2 BDM, CDM or PDS for professional assemblers

This is sold as a sub-assembly to a professional assembler who incorporates it into other equipment such as a machine, or system.

This BDM, CDM or PDS is excluded from the EMC Directive (EC Guide Flowchart 2), so it need not be CE marked nor have a Declaration of Conformity. Exchange of technical data allows optimisation of the EMC solution.

NOTE The previous version of this Guide used the term "Restricted distribution"

The manufacturer should provide the relevant instructions which indicate the EMC aspects to be considered by the manufacturer of the final apparatus to help him to solve reasonably foreseeable EMC problems with the final apparatus.

5.2.2.3 BDM, CDM or PDS for fixed installations

Apparatus intended for incorporation in fixed installations is within the scope of the directive.

For apparatus that is intended for a <u>specific</u> fixed installation, and is not otherwise commercially available, the manufacturer may choose to apply the procedure described in Clause 4.4 of the EC Guide. The BDM, CDM or PDS does not require a CE mark or Declaration of Conformity provided that the accompanying documentation identifies the fixed installation for which it is intended, and includes the information referenced in Clause 4.4.1 of the EC Guide.

It is envisaged that manufacturers may use this option for equipment produced in low quantities for specific customers/applications e.g. large drive panels, or certain high power drives.

NOTE The requirements for apparatus not intended for a specific fixed installation are described in 5.2.2.1 or 5.2.2.2 of this document.

5.2.3 Drive Systems

In the variable speed drives industry, the term "Drive System" is generally used to refer to an assembly of BDM/CDM/PDS and other equipment intended for incorporation into a specific fixed installation, and that is not otherwise commercially available. The provisions of 5.2.2.3 apply to such a "Drive System".

5.2.4 Installations

5.2.4.1 Fixed Installations

Fixed installations are within the scope of the directive, but do not require CE marking or a Declaration of Conformity (see Clause 4 of the EC Guide).

The types of BDM/CDM/PDS that can be directly used in a fixed installation are:

- any CE marked BDM/CDM/PDS that is suitable for the intended environment (see 5.2.2.1);
- any BDM/CDM/PDS that is intended for incorporation in the given fixed installation (see 5.2.2.3).

Other types of BDM/CDM/PDS (e.g. non-CE marked products as described in 5.2.2.2) may be incorporated in other equipment, provided that equipment meets all applicable requirements of the directive.

The person responsible for the compliance of the fixed installation shall consider the combination of the various items in the installation in order to ensure EMC.

EXAMPLE Harmonic compensation should be considered at the installation level (e.g. rolling mill, paper machine, crane, etc.) for both technical and economical reasons.

5.2.4.2 Mobile Installations

Mobile installations are deemed to be apparatus, requiring CE marking and a Declaration of Conformity - see Clause 1.2.4 of the EC Guide.

5.3 Harmonised Standards

Compliance with the following harmonised European Standards confers a presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of the EMC Directive:

Table 2 - Standards conferring a presumption of conformity with 2004/108/EC

BDM/CDM/PDS	Apparatus incorporating BDM/CDM/PDS			
EMC product standard for PDS: EN 61800-3	Either (a) A relevant product specific standard for the apparatus or (b) A generic standard for immunity, EN 61000-6-1 or EN 61000-6-2 and either EN 55011 for emission from equipment within its scope or a generic standard for emission, EN 61000-6-3 or EN 61000-6-4 Also, where applicable: EN 61000-3-2 or EN 61000-3-12 (for harmonic emissions) EN 61000-3-3 or EN 61000-3-11 (for flicker)			

As an alternative to complying with the above standards, a "Detailed technical EMC assessment" (as described in 3.2.3 of the EC Guide) may be used to demonstrate conformity.

5.4 Categories of PDS defined in EN 61800-3

EN 61800-3 recognizes two EMC environments (first and second):

<u>first environment</u>

includes domestic premises; it also includes establishments directly connected without intermediate transformers to a low-voltage power supply network which supplies buildings used for domestic purposes;

second environment

includes all establishments other than those directly connected to a low voltage power supply network which supplies buildings used for domestic purposes;

and sub-divides PDS into 4 categories (C1 - C4) which are defined:

• <u>C1</u>

PDS of rated voltage less than 1 000 V, intended for use in the first environment;

• C2

PDS of rated voltage less than 1 000 V, which is neither a plug in device nor a movable device and, when used in the first environment, is intended to be installed and commissioned only by a professional;

C3

PDS of rated voltage less than 1 000 V, intended for use in the second environment and not intended for use in the first environment:

C4

PDS of rated voltage equal to or above 1 000 V, or rated current equal to or above 400 A, or intended for use in complex systems in the second environment. This is further clarified as having specific technical requirements such as networks isolated from earth, or where dynamic performance will be limited as a result of filtering.

The relationship between these environments and categories and the application types described in 5.2 is shown in Table 3 below:

Table 3 - Relationship between categories, environments, and 2004/108/EC

	,	or PDS for al sale .2.2.1	BDM, CDM professional See 5.	assemblers	BDM, CDM or installa See 5	ations
	Enviro	nment	Enviro	nment	Enviro	nment
Category	1 st	2 nd	1 st	2 nd	1 st	2 nd
C1	Allowed	Depends on immunity ^a	Allowed	Depends on immunity ^a	Allowed	Depends on immunity ^a
C2	Not Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed
С3	Not Allowed	Allowed	Not Allowed ^b	Allowed	Not Allowed b	Allowed
C4	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed ^b	Allowed	Not Allowed b	Allowed

^a Allowed only if 2nd environment immunity requirements are met either inherently or by means of additional mitigation measures

6 Summary of responsibilities for the application of European Directives to a PDS

PDS or CDM or BDM LVD MD **EMCD** Safety Application Application For For For Component AllLV Partly Completed Responsibility of the manufacturer of the (i.e. drive independent General Professional Fixed equipment Machinery with safety equipment Sale Assemblers Installations function) Equipment PDS, CDM PDS, CDMor BDM PDS, CDM PDS, CDM CDM CDM PDS, CDM PDS, CDM or BDM PDS or BDM or BDM or BDM with safety or BDM or BDM or BDM function Declaration Declaration Declaration Declaration Declaration Not Not Not Not of Incorporation Required Required Required Required Conformity Conformity Conformity **E** Marking Yes No Nο Nο Yes Yes No No If one or more of the Directives requires CE marking, the PDS, CDM or BDM should be

CE marked and have a corresponding Declaration of Conformity

The information to be provided by the PDS/CDM/BDM manufacturer includes:

- instructions for installation, use and maintenance to ensure safety and EMC compliance

- identification of the specific fixed installation (where applicable for EMCD)

A procedure similar to that outlined above follows for every end product into which a PDS, CDM or BDM is incorporated.

The installer or end user is responsible for the conformity of the final application with all relevant Directives and/or other legislation.

^b Can be "Allowed" if additional mitigation measures are applied to achieve 1st environment emissions limits.

Annex A Further information

A.1 Links

The following are links to official web sites that provide the text of each Directive together with official guidelines, a list of the harmonised Standards that confer a presumption of conformity with the essential requirements, details of any proposed revisions, and other relevant information.

For LVD and EMCD:

http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/electrical-engineering/directives/index_en.htm

For MD:

http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/mechanical-engineering/machinery/index_en.htm

EMC guide:

http://ec.europa.eu/DocsRoom/documents/9863/attachments/1/translations/en/renditions/pdf

NOTE: The clause numbers of the EC Guide for the EMC Directive referred to in this guide are those of the version dated 8 February 2010.

The GAMBICA guide to variable speed drives and functional safety of machinery is given in the following link:

http://www.gambica.org.uk/web_images//documents/GAMBICA%20Guide%20to%20Variable%20Speed%20Drives%20and%20Functional%20Safety%20of%20Machinery.pdf

A.2 Glossary

BDM Basic Drive Module (See also Clause 2)
CDM Complete Drive Module (See also Clause 2)
EMCD Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

LVD Low Voltage Directive MD Machinery Directive

OJ Official Journal of the European Union
PDS Power Drive System (See also Clause 2)

A.3 Standards referenced in this document

NOTE: A complete list of Standards relevant to each Directive is available on the European Commission's webpages (see links above).

EN ISO 13849-1 Safety of machinery - Safety-related parts of control systems - Part 1:

General principles for design

EN 50178 Electronic equipment for use in power installations

EN 55011 Industrial, scientific and medical equipment — Radio-frequency disturbance

characteristics — Limits and methods of measurement

EN 60204-1 Safety of machinery - Electrical equipment of machines - Part 1: General

requirements

EN 61000-3-2 Electromagnetic compatibility - Part 3-2: Limits - Limits for harmonic current

emissions (equipment input current up to and including 16 A per phase)

EN 61000-3-3 Electromagnetic compatibility — Part 3-3: Limits — Limitation of voltage

changes, voltage fluctuations and flicker in public low-voltage supply

systems, for equipment with rated current ≤ 16 A per phase and not subject

to conditional connection

EN 61000-3-11	Electromagnetic compatibility — Part 3-11: Limits — Limitation of voltage changes, voltage fluctuations and flicker in public low-voltage supply systems — Equipment with rated current ≤ 75 A and subject to conditional connection
EN 61000-3-12	Electromagnetic compatibility - Part 3-12: Limits - Limits for harmonic currents produced by equipment connected to public low-voltage systems with input current > 16 A and <= 75 A per phase
EN 61000-6-1	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-1: Generic standards - Immunity for residential, commercial and light-industrial environments
EN 61000-6-2	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-2: Generic standards - Immunity for industrial environments
EN 61000-6-3	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-3: Generic standards - Emission standard for residential, commercial and light-industrial environments
EN 61000-6-4	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 6-4: Generic standards - Emission standard for industrial environments
EN 61508	Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems (7 parts)
EN 61800-3	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 3: EMC product standard including specific test methods
EN 61800-5-1	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 5-1: Safety requirements - Electrical, thermal and energy
EN 61800-5-2	Adjustable speed electrical power drive systems - Part 5-2: Safety requirements - Functional
EN 62061	Safety of machinery - Functional safety of safety-related electrical, electronic and programmable electronic control systems

Annex B

The status of variable speed drives in respect of EU Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC

Background

The revised Machinery Directive (2006/42/EC) gives a broader definition of a safety component than its predecessor - it also provides an indicative list of safety components (Annex V) and lists certain safety components (see Annex IV) that require specific conformity assessment procedures. Meanwhile, manufacturers of electronic variable speed drives are increasingly offering safety-related control functions in their products, resulting in the following questions being asked:

- Does a variable speed drive with safety functions fall within the definition of "safety component" according to Directive 2006/42/EC, and if so, does it fall within one of the categories listed in Annex IV?
- What is the status of a variable speed drive which offers safety functions as an option through the addition of a module which is available for sale separately?
- What requirements apply with regard to an EC Declaration of Conformity and CE marking?

Terminology

The term "Power Drive System" (PDS) was introduced by the EN 61800 series of standards to refer to a variable speed drive with its associated motor and peripheral equipment. Within this series the EN 61800-5-2:2007 harmonised standard applies to a PDS(SR), which is essentially a PDS with the safety-related capability to perform one or more safety functions. The basic electronic drive in a PDS is referred to as the Basic Drive Module (BDM), which is more generally called a variable speed drive. So in relation to a PDS(SR), the BDM will be referred to as a "safety-related variable speed drive" in this document.

A safety-related variable speed drive can be implemented in various ways, as outlined in the following situations:

- a) If the variable speed drive offers integral safety functions, then the entire drive is a safety component.
- b) If the variable speed drive does not offer integral safety functions, but an optional safety module is available that provides safety functions, then the optional safety module is a safety component.
- c) If the variable speed drive offers integral safety functions and an optional safety module is available that provides additional safety functions, then both items are safety components.

Position - Summary

- A safety-related variable speed drive³ is a safety component within the meaning of Directive 2006/42/EC. Furthermore, some safety-related variable speed drives¹ may be considered "Logic units to ensure safety functions" according to Annex IV of Directive 2006/42/EC (see section (d) in the annex to this document).
- A safety-related variable speed drive⁴ requires both an EC Declaration of Conformity (DoC) and CE marking in accordance with Directive 2006/42/EC.

³ Or an "optional safety module" as set out in b) and c) of the preceding paragraph.

⁴ Or an "optional safety module" as set out in b) and c) of the preceding paragraph.

Justification

(a) Safety Component

Article 2(c) gives the following definition of a safety component:

'Safety component' means a component:

- 1. which serves to fulfil a safety function,
- 2. which is independently placed on the market,
- 3. the failure and/or malfunction of which endangers the safety of persons, and
- 4. which is not necessary in order for the machinery to function, or for which normal components may be substituted in order for the machinery to function

For either a variable speed drive with integral safety functions, or an optional safety module for use with a variable speed drive, points 1 to 3 are clearly satisfied. The fact that either of these variants might also perform normal operational functions in addition to its specific safety function(s) does not compromise compliance with point 1.

In relation to point 4:

- a) For a variable speed drive with integral safety functions, the entire drive satisfies the second alternative in point 4 because it could be completely replaced by an ordinary variable speed drive in order for the machinery to function.
- b) For a variable speed drive in which all safety functions are provided by an optional safety module, the optional safety module satisfies the first alternative in point 4 because it is not necessary in order for the machinery to function.
 - (Note: In this situation the variable speed drive is not a safety component, but the optional safety module is a safety component).

Note that the list of safety components in Annex V of the Directive is indicative only, so the absence of a safety-related variable speed drive does not mean that it is not a safety component. Furthermore, it is probable that the broad classification of "logic units to ensure safety functions" in Annex V of the Directive (and also Annex IV of the Directive - see section (d) of this document) would be considered to include a safety-related variable speed drive.

(b) EC Declaration of Conformity and CE marking

A safety-related variable speed drive is a safety component within the meaning of Directive 2006/42/EC. It therefore requires both an EC Declaration of Conformity (DoC) and CE marking in accordance with Directive 2006/42/EC. A manufacturer can of course decide not to market their product as a safety component according to Directive 2006/42/EC, in which case it can only be regarded as an 'ordinary' variable speed drive that is unsuitable for implementing safety functions.

A safety-related variable speed drive can offer a variety of safety functions, as well as non-safety functions. In some cases, the manufacturer may choose to list the safety functions on the DoC, but regardless of this, full details, specifications and instructions for use for each of these safety functions <u>must</u> be provided in the user documentation.

(c) <u>Declaration of Incorporation</u>

As explained in (b) above, a safety-related variable speed drive is a safety component within the meaning of Directive 2006/42/EC and therefore requires an EC Declaration of Conformity (DoC). A Declaration of Incorporation is therefore not appropriate.

(d) Conformity Assessment procedures

Article 12 specifies conformity assessment procedures for Directive 2006/42/EC.

If a safety-related variable speed drive <u>is not</u> considered to fall within one of the categories (e.g. "logic units to ensure safety functions") listed in Annex IV of the Directive, then the manufacturer shall apply the procedure for assessment of conformity with internal checks on

the manufacture of machinery described in Annex VIII of the Directive (often referred to as self-certification). In this case, the safety-related variable speed drive shall not have an EC type-examination Certificate, but this does not preclude the manufacturer from offering some other form of independent certification or assessment report.

If the safety-related variable speed drive <u>is</u> considered to fall within one of the categories (e.g. "logic units to ensure safety functions") listed in Annex IV of the Directive, then the manufacturer shall apply one of the procedures referred to in Article 12(3) or (4) of the Directive:

- If the EC type-examination procedure provided for in Annex IX is applied, then the manufacturer shall obtain an EC type-examination certificate and shall also undertake the internal checks on the manufacture of machinery provided for in Annex VIII, point 3 of the Directive.
- However, if the safety-related variable speed drive is manufactured in accordance with a suitable harmonised standard that is listed in the Official Journal and which covers by itself or in conjunction with its normative references all relevant essential health and safety requirements, then the manufacturer can apply the procedure for assessment of conformity with internal checks on the manufacture of machinery provided for in Annex VIII of the Directive (often referred to as self-certification), and an EC type-examination certificate is not required. Although harmonised standard EN 61800-5-2 can be used for this purpose in many cases, in some circumstances it might not cover all relevant essential health and safety requirements.
- A 3rd option "Full Quality Assurance" is provided for in Annex X of the Directive, but this is rarely used.

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