

Mutual recognition agreement of doctors approved to carry out diving medical examinations and diving medical testing arrangements.

Between The United Kingdom Health and Safety Executive

And The Health and Safety Authority Republic of Ireland

1. Doctors approved under UK diving regulations to carry out diving medical examinations will automatically be recognised under Irish regulations.
2. Doctors approved under Irish regulations to carry out diving medical examinations will automatically be recognised under UK diving regulations.
3. Medical certificates issued by doctors approved under UK regulations to carry out diving medical examinations will automatically be recognised under Irish regulations for divers intending to work in the Irish sector.
4. Medical certificates issued by doctors approved under Irish regulations to carry out diving medical examinations will automatically be recognised under UK regulations for divers intending to work in the UK sector.
5. The agreement is subject to the following conditions:
 - a this recognition agreement revokes any previous mutual recognition agreement;
 - b the arrangements for authorising doctors shall not deviate from that submitted to form the basis of this agreement, unless agreed in writing between the two national authorities;
 - c the medical testing arrangements shall not deviate from that submitted to form the basis of this agreement, unless agreed between the two national authorities;
 - d each national authority shall provide to the other details of any other countries or national authorities with which they plan to enter into a mutual recognition agreement;
 - e this arrangement shall continue until revoked by either side in writing.

In witness whereof this agreement has been entered into on this date:

22-6-2006

Signed by  for and on behalf of the
United Kingdom Health and Safety Executive

Chris Sherman, Chief Inspector of Diving, the United Kingdom Health and Safety Executive.

Signed by  for and on behalf of the
Health and Safety Authority, Republic of Ireland

Kieran Sludds, Occupational Health Manager, the Republic of Ireland Health and Safety Authority.