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Question: When a material is used to manufacture a water resistant shoe (for instance coated Leather), it is impossible to fulfil the WVP requirements. Nevertheless these footwear must be CE marked. In general terms, is it possible to award the CE marking to a product which does not comply with the standard giving presumption of satisfaction to the directive?			
Solution: If a product does not comply fully with the standard giving presumption of satisfaction to the directive, the notified body can award the CE marking on the basis of the satisfaction of the essential requirements of the directive. This situation can appear in different cases for footwear, for instance : - the Water Vapour Permeability requirement of the standard can't apply to water resistant footwear - necessity of oil resistant sole for forestry footwear - etc. For marking, it is possible to mark the product with the CE logo but it is not permitted to add the standard reference. Indeed it is not possible to make reference to a standard number when the product does not comply fully with that standard. Nevertheless it is possible to mention in the technical file that the product complies with the standard except for some characteristics which should be mentioned. It is not possible to award the CE marking when the product does not fulfil all the requirements that it claims. For instance, for footwear to be used in mechanical workshops, no dispensation is possible for oil resistance.			
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(1) Essential safety requirement
(2) HC = horizontal committee

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