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Publication of the Commission Decision on the harmonised standards for Gas Appliance Regulation (GAR)

On Friday 12 January 2024, the European Commission has published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) the first set of harmonised standards under the **Gas Appliance Regulation EU/2016/426 (GAR)**.

The list of the standards is available in the Annex of the Commission Implementing Decision ([eur-lex](#)).

The publication of the standards in the OJEU is a long-awaited event as the GAR was adopted in 2016. Concretely, it means that the standards in the Annex are harmonised and recognised as binding.

Manufacturers whose products are certified according to the standards can now take advantage of the so-called '**presumption of conformity**', a principle that ensure these products are in line with corresponding EU rules. In the event of a dispute, the reversal of evidence applies.

With effect from **10 January 2024, these are 15 EN standards** that were harmonised and published now under the GAR, including amongst others:

- **EN 88-1: 2022** Safety and control devices for gas burners and gas burning appliances – Part 1: Pressure regulators for inlet pressures up to and including 50 kPa.
- **EN 257:2022** Mechanical thermostats for gas-burning appliance
- **EN 549: 2019+A1:2023** Rubber materials for seals and diaphragms for gas appliances and gas equipment
- **EN 1106:2022** Manually operated taps for gas burning appliance
- **EN 1854:2022** Safety and control devices for burners and appliances burning gaseous and/or liquid fuels – Pressure sensing devices for gas burners and gas burning appliances.
- **EN 15502-1:2021** Gas-fired heating boilers – Part 1: General requirements and tests.
- **EN 15502-2-1: 2022** Gas-fired central heating boilers – Part 2-1: Specific standard for type C appliances and type B2, B3 and B5 appliances of a nominal heat input not exceeding 1 000 kW.
- **EN 16898:2022** Safety and control devices for gas burners and gas burning appliances – Gas filters having a maximum working pressure up to and including 600 kPa