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Latest Updates

- Note added in AI act.

Software	
Embedded Software	<p>Per EU MDR, embedded software is treated differently based on its intended purpose. If the software has a medical purpose on its own, it is usually classified independently. If it is driving or influencing the use of a hardware medical device, it is classified with the hardware. In either case, if multiple classification rules apply, the higher risk classification rule shall be used to classify the whole device.</p> <p>Source: MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p>
Software as Medical Device (SaMD)	<p>Per EUMDR, standalone software is classified either according to EU MDR classification rule 11 or using the IMDRF risk-based classification framework.</p> <p>Source: MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p>
Clinical Decision Support Software (CDS)	<p>Per EUMDR, standalone software is classified either according to EU MDR classification rule 11 or using the IMDRF risk-based classification framework.</p> <p>Source: MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p>
Change Management Requirements for Software/SaMD	<p>MDCG 2020-3 provides guidance on the types of changes to devices subject to EU MDR may be considered "significant", requiring a re-evaluation of conformity assessment. This guidance includes changes to software and SaMD as a separate section.</p> <p>https://ec.europa.eu/docsroom/documents/40301</p>
Quality Management System (QMS)	<p>The IMDRF guidance on QMS for SaMD addresses application of EN ISO 13485 to SaMD. EN ISO 13485 is a harmonized standard with EU - which indicates compliance to EN ISO 13485 presumes compliance with the MDD / EU MDR.</p>
Post-Market Management	<p>No updates at present.</p>

Real World Data/Evidence

EU MDR contains requirements for Post Market Surveillance. An MDCG working group has been established to develop guidance around Post Market Surveillance and Vigilance.

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02017R0745-20170505>

Artificial Intelligence (SiMD & SaMD)

Machine Learning	<p>No specific regulations for AiML. SaMD with AIML may be classified according to the MDCG guidance on qualification and classification of Software.</p> <p>MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p> <p>Note: Medical Device AI systems are in scope of the AI Act - which introduces requirements for AI risk management (in trilogue at the moment)</p>
Deep Learning	<p>No specific regulations for AiML. SaMD with AIML may be classified according to the MDCG guidance on qualification and classification of Software.</p> <p>MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p> <p>Note: Medical Device AI systems are in scope of the AI Act - which introduces requirements for AI risk management</p>
Best Ethical Practices	No updates at present.
Generative AI	<p>No specific regulations for AiML. SaMD with AIML may be classified according to the MDCG guidance on qualification and classification of Software.</p> <p>MDCG 2019-11: Guidance on qualification and classification of software</p> <p>Note: Medical Device AI systems are in scope of the AI Act - which introduces requirements for AI risk management</p>

Cybersecurity

MDCG 2019-16 rev 1: Guidance on cybersecurity for medical devices.

Data Privacy

EU GDPR: <https://gdpr-info.eu/>

Labelling

UDI	<p>EU MDR contains requirements for establishing a UDI system for medical devices. The EU Commission is working on creating a holistic database for medical devices in EU, (EUDAMED) that will have actor registration, UDI / Certificate, Vigilance, Clinical Investigation and Market Surveillance modules. EUDAMED is under development and expected to be completed in 2029.</p>
Specific Market Requirements	No updates at present.