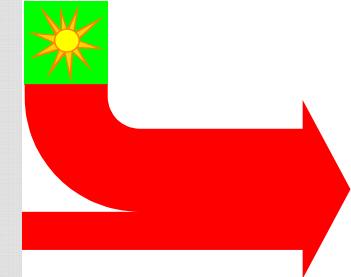


„EU Standards and Regulations“



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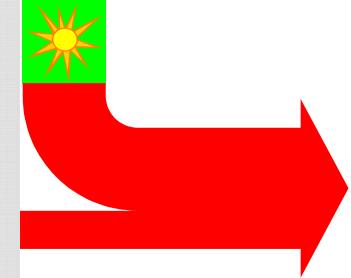
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- ❖ Target

- harmonized standards for free trading

- harmonized standards for environmental protection

- ❖ Valid for all EU- and EFTA-members
 - > members have to cancel national inconsistent regulations

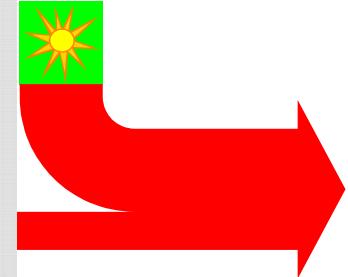


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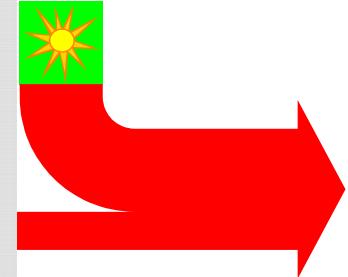
- ❖ Different aspects:

- a) Effect oriented

- Safety
 - Quality
 - Environmental protection
 - ...



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 - ❖ Different aspects:
 - b) device-, component oriented
 - Piping
 - Compressor
 - Vessel
 - Electric devices
 - ...



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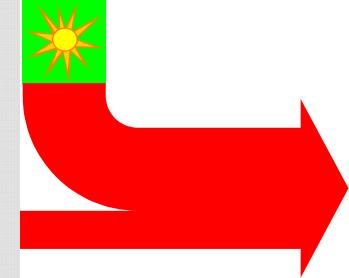
- ❖ Example:

Austrian Standards Institute:

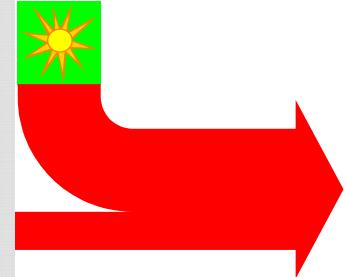
Database keyword: “heat pump”

> 44 documents

- 10 national standards
- 34 EU - standards



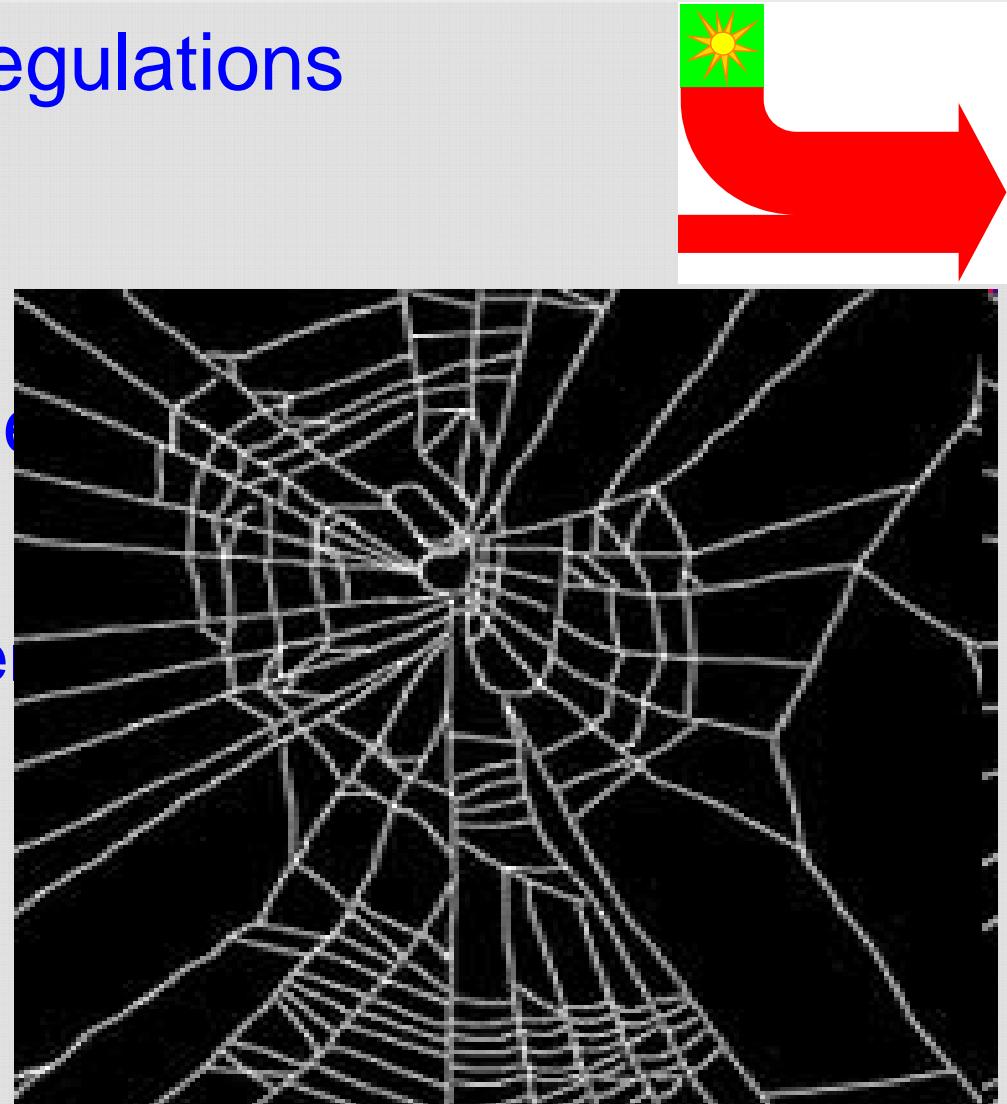
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 - ❖ Examples: “heat pump”
 - o EN 14511: „Air conditioners, liquid chilling packages and heat pumps with electrically driven compressors for space heating and cooling - Part 2: Test conditions“
 - o EN 14511: „Air conditioners, liquid chilling packages and heat pumps with electrically driven compressors for space heating and cooling - Part 3: Test methods“



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- ❖ Problem:

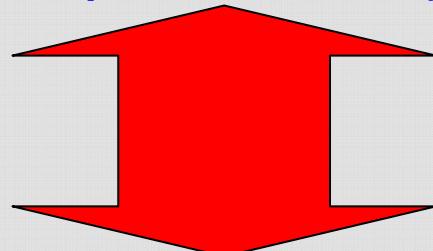
- System permanent „under construction“
- Multiple relations between standards



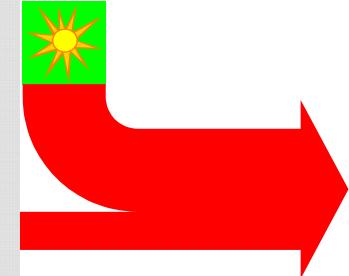
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- ❖ Example: “permanent under construction”

- EN378 (“Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements”)



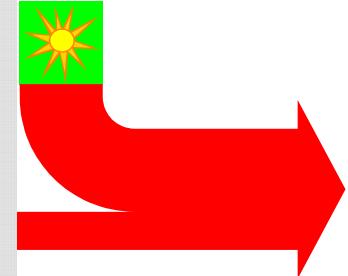
- Directive 97/23EC “Pressure Equipment”



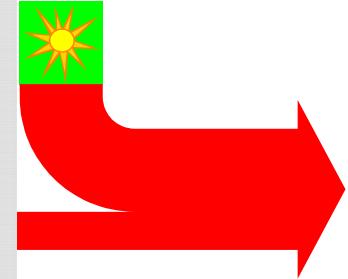
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- ❖ EN378: History

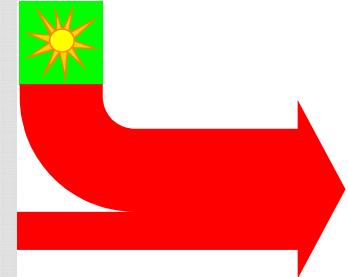
- Original draft: 13 parts
- part 1: into force 1994
- Re-arrangement to 4 parts; into force 2000
- revision A1-2003; into force 2004
- revision draft 2003
- revision draft 2005



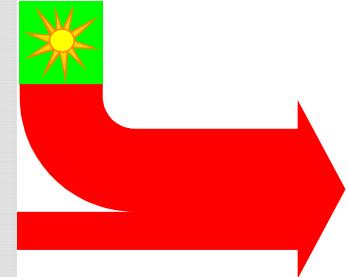
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 - ❖ EN378: Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements
 - Part 1: Basic requirements, definitions, classification and selection criteria (EN 378-1:2000 + A1:2003)
 - Part 2: Design, construction, testing, marking and documentation (EN 378-2:2000)
 - Part 3: Installation site and personal protection (EN 378-3:2000 + A1:2003)
 - Part 4: Operation, maintenance, repair and recovery (EN 378-4:2000 + A1:2003)



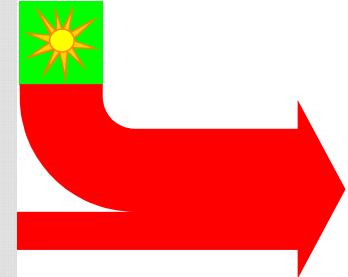
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 - ❖ EN378: Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements
 - Original to implement basic requirements of the EC-”Pressure Equipment Directive” !!
 - After the implementation of the EC-”Pressure Equipment Directive” into national “Pressure Equipment Regulations” (in Austria: “Druckgeräteverordnung BGBl 426/1999”) some parts do not fit together!



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 - ❖ EN378: Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements
 - First “emergency measure” A1:2003
elimination of some direct references to the EC-“Pressure Equipment Directive”
 - New revisions
 - draft 2003: no agreement
 - draft 2005: no agreement
many objections !!



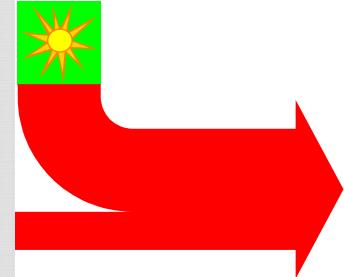
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 - ❖ EN378: Refrigerating systems and heat pumps – Safety and environmental requirements
 - Problem:
related documents sometime changing faster than the update-process of EN378
 - Classical “oscillating process”



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- ❖ Conclusion

- Harmonized standards important for free trading and equal requirements on the market
 - same test standards
 - same safety standards
 - ...
- Complex procedure (slow)
- “Overregulation”



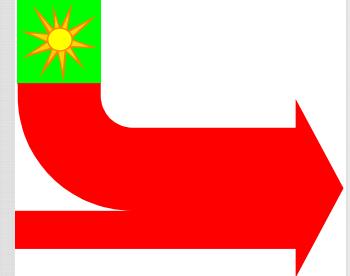
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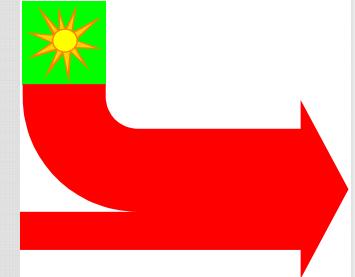
- But !!

- Standards are not set by the government !
 - CEN-working groups: members from industry,

- Demand for engagement !!



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