



CENELEC GUIDE 12

**Procedure for the withdrawal of
conflicting national standards
at the implementation of
European Standards prepared
under a Part 1/Part 2X system**

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- 1 Neither in the Internal Regulations nor in the "Principle Decisions" are there any rules given for the withdrawal of conflicting national standards, i.e. for the fixing of the date of withdrawal (DOW) when implementing European Standards (EN) prepared under a Part 1/Part 2X system. Under such a system the subsequent Parts refer in many clauses to the relevant clauses of a main Part, modifying or supplementing them and, therefore, cannot stand alone.

- 2 We have, however, the following practice in BT: As far as a Part 1 EN of a Part 1/Part 2X system is concerned, Part 1 usually covers "General requirements" common to a series of products; the relevant Parts 2X deal then with the single product in question, making references to the common Part 1: BT generally does not fix DOW for an outdated Part 1, as long as any Part 2X ENs relating to this Part 1 and covering "Particular requirements" had not yet been revised as well as ratified.

Rationale:

A DOW for a Part 1 can only be fixed in those cases where all the relating Parts 2X ENs of a system are available so that at national level the revised Part 1 and all the relating Part 2X ENs can be implemented and the conflicting national standards - based on a Part 1 with its Parts 2 issued in a preceding edition - can be withdrawn; for example, see EN 60598-1.

- 3 This procedure should also be applied for an EN system, numbered EN XI-1, XI-2, XI-3, where in one Part of such a system references are made to the other Parts of the system. Presently, in many cases ENs of such a system are ratified at different dates, consequently DOP and DOW will be different of each EN.

4 General case

- 4.1 There exist Part 1 and one (or more) Part(s) 2; Part 1 appears as a new edition. The following applies:

a) Part 2 has a dated reference to Part 1:

- the new Part 1 receives no DOW for the old Part,
- the decision to cancel the old Part 1 is taken when (all) Part(s) 2 have moved to refer to the new Part 1;

b) Part 2 has an undated reference to Part 1:

- the new Part 1 receives a DOW for the old Part 1 (because the new Part 1 is automatically valid),
- there shall be appropriate information on the links between Part 1 and Part 2 in Part 1 new, and vice-versa in Part 2 when revised;

c) Part 2 is completely independent from Part 1:

- the new Part 1 receives a DOW for the old Part 1,

- if Part 2 is revised, the new Part 2 receives a DOW independent from that of Part 1,
- there shall be appropriate information on the links between the Parts in each Part;

d) Parts 2,3,4 ff. have references between themselves (and to Part 1):

- for practical reasons (in order to avoid check and cross-check of all normative references), a DOW for all old parts of such a system is fixed only when the last Part of such a system is revised,
- appropriate information shall be given in each single Part when revised.

4.2 For references in standards and for subdivision into Parts, see the CEN-CENELEC Internal Regulations Part 3, "*Rules for the structure and drafting of CEN-CENELEC Publications (ISO/IEC Directives – Part 2, modified)*"

5 Abbreviations

BT	Technical Board
DOP	Latest date of publication of an identical/a harmonized national standard
DOW	Latest date of withdrawal of conflicting national standards
EN	European Standard