The Pressure Equipment Directive (PED) mandates the use of harmonised European (EN) standards to the exclusion of all else. However, Notified Bodies have wide freedom to interpret the essential requirements of the Directive and experience to date is that some of them are prepared to accept vessels based on ASME standards as being safe and suitable for CE marking. This is a matter for individual Notified Bodies. A list of Notified Bodies can be found in the Nando database:


The PED guidelines can be found at:


and a list of the current standards can be found here: