

MANDATE TO EOTA  
CONCERNING THE EXECUTION OF HARMONISATION WORK  
FOR AN ETA GUIDELINE ON

**FALLING ROCK PROTECTION KITS**

RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING END USES:

**In civil engineering works**

**FOREWORD**

*This mandate is issued by the Commission to EOTA within the context of the Council Directive 89/106/EEC of December 21, 1988 concerning construction products, hereafter referred to as "the Directive" and the Commission Decision 94/23/EC of 17 January 1994 on common procedural rules for European technical approval.*

*One of the aims of the Directive being the removal of technical barriers to trade in the construction field, in so far as they cannot be removed by means of mutual recognition among Member States, it seems appropriate that mandates cover, at least during a first phase of the mandating programme, construction products likely to be subject to technical barriers to trade.*

*This mandate covers the field of products or families of products that are considered innovative and for which there is neither a harmonised standard, nor a recognised national standard, nor a mandate for a harmonised standard and for which the Commission, after consulting the Standing Committee on Construction, considers that a harmonised standards cannot, or not yet, be elaborated; or when harmonised standards or recognised national standards exist, the products differ significantly from them.*

*This mandate intends to lay down provisions for the development and the quality of the ETA guidelines in order, on the one hand, to make "approximation" of national laws, regulations and administrative provisions (hereafter referred to as "regulations") possible and, on the other hand, to allow products conforming to them to be presumed to be fit for their intended use, as defined in the Directive.*

*In this respect, this mandate takes account of the basic principles prevailing in the regulations of Member States, particularly those described in chapters 3 and 4.2 of the Interpretative Documents, to which ETA guideline writers must refer. As stated by the Directive, the responsibility Member States have for construction works on their territory remains unchanged.*

*In order to fulfil the provisions of article 7.1 of the CPD the present mandate has been structured in the following way:*

*Chapter I Grounds. General conditions within the framework of the CPD.*

*Chapter II Execution of the mandate. Conditions regarding the programming, development and execution of the work on the guidelines.*