



G21. What is 'Back-to-Back Documentation'?

This is the term given to the unauthorized process of copying the original manufacturer's documentation and replacing their details with your own as a means of hiding the source of the product from the end user.

For example:

Issuing a Declaration of Conformity using your company's details for a product manufactured or supplied by another company, without their authorization.

Note:

Under UK and European supply legislation, only the product manufacturer, distributor/ importer, or authorized representative may issue a Declaration of Conformity.

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