

# HOW DO FDA AND EU MDR DEVICE CLASSIFICATIONS DIFFER?



## CLASS III

Examples: Defibrillators, Pacemakers, Prosthetic Heart Valves\*



Risk Assessment: High



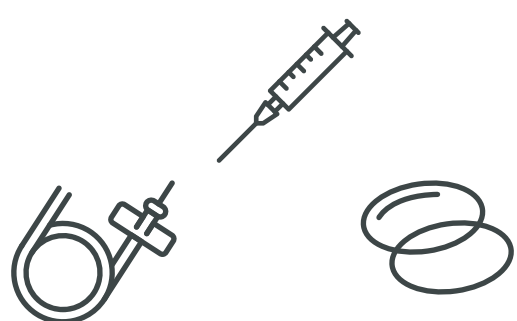
\*Devices are Class III under FDA and EU MDR.

## FDA

## CLASS II

## EU MDR

Examples: Catheters, Syringes, Contact Lenses



Risk Assessment: Medium

### IIb

Examples: Infusion Pumps, Ventilators, Dialysis Machines

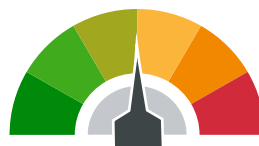


Risk Assessment: Medium to High



### IIa

Examples: Catheters, Hearing Aids, Diagnostic Equipment



Risk Assessment: Medium



## FDA

## CLASS I

## EU MDR

Examples: Bandages, Stethoscopes, Wheelchairs



Risk Assessment: Low

### Ir (Reusable)

Examples: Surgical Instruments, Endoscopes



Risk Assessment: Low



### Im (Measuring)

Examples: Stethoscopes, Thermometers



Risk Assessment: Low



### Is (Sterile)

Examples: Sterile Gauze, Personal Protection Kits



Risk Assessment: Low



### I (Non-Sterile)

Examples: Wheelchairs, Hospital Beds



Risk Assessment: Low



## FDA

## CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

## EU MDR

510(k), premarket approval (PMA), and other regulatory controls are assigned to each device classification based on the following:

- Intended use
- Indications for use
- Risk level

22 classification rules are applied according to the following device categories:

- Noninvasive (Rules 1-4)
- Invasive (Rules 5-8)
- Active (Rules 9-13)
- Special rules (14-22)

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