



# FLUENTA COMPLIANCE

## A GOLD STANDARD IN PRODUCT AND SAFETY APPROVALS

### A RIGOROUS APPROACH

At **Fluenta**, we are committed to meeting and exceeding **international compliance standards** in all circumstances—without exception. As a global leader in **flare gas measurement solutions**, we recognize that adherence to **stringent regulatory requirements** is essential to ensuring safety, accuracy, and reliability in all operating environments.

Over the years, we have worked with a variety of **accredited test laboratories** to certify our products against the highest **global safety and environmental standards**. This ensures:

1. **Robust, independent verification** of our products' compliance with national and international regulations.
2. **Operational efficiency**, selecting certification bodies based on **capacity, expertise, and availability** to ensure **rigorous testing without delays**.

Each of the **certification bodies** we engage with adheres to **strict testing frameworks**, ensuring our equipment meets the **most demanding safety and environmental performance requirements**.

### INTERNATIONAL COMPLIANCE FRAMEWORK & REGULATORY HIERARCHY

Compliance in the oil and gas sector follows a structured hierarchy of standards governed by key regulatory authorities. Fluenta products are tested to comply with multiple international and regional standards, including:

#### 1. Global Standards & Regulatory Bodies

- **IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission)** – Sets global standards for electrical safety and performance, including **IEC 60079** for hazardous environments.
- **ISO (International Organization for Standardization)** – Defines quality, safety, and environmental standards (e.g., **ISO 9001** for quality management).

#### 2. Regional & Industry-Specific Certification Bodies

These are standards dictated, to be enforced by national bodies on all certification bodies

- **ATEX (Atmosphères Explosibles)** – Required for equipment operating in potentially explosive environments within the **European Economic Area (EEA)**, governed by **Directive 2014/34/EU**.

- **IECEX (International Electrotechnical Commission Explosive Atmospheres)** – Provides a globally accepted certification scheme for equipment used in explosive atmospheres.

These are both certifying bodies and publish the nations' specification in their countries.

- **UL (Underwriters Laboratories, U.S.)** – Governs **North American** safety certification, particularly **UL 61010** for electrical equipment also the **UL 60079** standards.

- **CSA (Canadian Standards Association, Canada)** – Enforces **electrical and hazardous area compliance** in Canada. (These are the same in Canada as UL is in the US)

One of the other bodies used by Fluenta are **MET** – they are the testing laboratory / certifying authority which are in turn regulated and controlled by **OSHA** and **CSA**, meaning their compliance is an exact equivalent to **UL/CSA**

- **MET (MET Laboratories, U.S.)** – Like **UL** and **CSA** and all other certification organisations are **OSHA-approved Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL)** that certifies to **UL and ANSI standards**, offering a flexible and cost-effective alternative to **CSA and UL** in North America.

#### 3. National Regulatory Enforcement

- **OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S.)** – Regulates workplace safety, requiring **NRTL certification** for electrical and hazardous-area equipment.

- **Canada is regulated by CSA**

- **European Union CE Marking** – Ensures compliance with **health, safety, and environmental protection requirements** for the European market. There are numerous other certification criteria which apply in Europe and other countries.

- **Saudi Aramco, ADNOC, Other National Oil Companies**, and other country or company specific regulations apply in many other instances. These have specific compliance mandates that Fluenta ensures alignment with, ensuring compliance with **Hazardous Area & Flare Gas Regulations**.

## ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH HAZARDOUS AREA & FLARE GAS REGULATIONS

Given the high-risk environments in which flare gas measurement systems operate, compliance with hazardous area classifications is a critical priority. Fluenta's products are certified for use in:

- **Zone 0, Zone 1, and Zone 2** (ATEX/IECEx classification for explosive atmospheres).
- **Class I, Division 1 & 2** (North American NEC/UL hazardous area classification, recognized by both **CSA** and **MET**). (This is more around the protection concept)
- **High-temperature environments**, ensuring compliance with **temperature class ratings (T-ratings)** for thermal endurance.

## FLUENTA'S PROACTIVE APPROACH TO CERTIFICATION

By partnering with internationally recognized **certification providers**, including **CSA, MET (For North America) and DNV and Ex Veritas (for ATEX and IECEx)**, we ensure our flare gas meters comply with the strictest **safety, environmental, and performance** regulations.

Our approach guarantees that Fluenta remains at the **forefront of compliance, innovation, and operational excellence**, allowing us to deliver the most **accurate, safe, and reliable** flare gas measurement solutions to our customers worldwide.

## COMPARISON OF MET CERTIFICATION VS. CSA CERTIFICATION

Two of the larger recognized certification bodies in North America are **MET Laboratories (MET Certification)** and the **Canadian Standards Association (CSA Certification)**. This is a comparative analysis of these two certification processes, providing a structured checklist of evaluation criteria for both.

MET Laboratories is a **Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL)** accredited by the **Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)** in the U.S. and **Standards Council of Canada (SCC)**. MET is authorized to certify equipment to **UL (Underwriters Laboratories) and ANSI (American National Standards Institute)** standards, ensuring compliance across North America.

### Key Benefits of MET Certification:

- Recognized for **UL, and ANSI standards**
- Faster certification process.
- Lower costs for testing and follow-up inspections.
- Supports **on-site testing** to minimize downtime.
- Recognized in **Canada and the U.S.A.**
- The **Canadian Standards Association (CSA)** is a globally recognized certification body (offering complete certification including ATEX IECEx and N. American certification),

## COMPLIANCE STANDARDS & TESTING REQUIREMENTS

Both MET and CSA certifications adhere to similar international and North American safety standards including, but not limited to :

- **UL 61010-1** – Standard for electrical safety of industrial measurement devices.
- **IEC 60079** – Explosive atmospheres (ATEX and hazardous area classifications).
- **ANSI/ISA 12.13.04** – Standard for flare gas detection systems.
- **NFPA 70 (NEC) & CEC** – U.S. National Electrical Code (NEC) and Canadian Electrical Code (CEC).
- **ISO 17025** – General testing and calibration requirements for certification labs.

## CHECKLIST OF TESTING & EVALUATION ELEMENTS

The table below outlines key elements checked during MET and CSA certification processes:

| Testing Category                    | MET Certification                           | CSA Certification   |
|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Electrical Safety Testing           | Required                                    | Required            |
| Hazardous Area Classification       | Required                                    | Required            |
| Flammability & Ignition Testing     | Required                                    | Required            |
| Mechanical Durability               | Required                                    | Required            |
| Environmental Testing               | Temperature, humidity, corrosion resistance | Similar tests apply |
| EMC (Electromagnetic Compatibility) | Required                                    | Required            |
| Production Quality Audits           | Required                                    | Required            |
| Post-Certification Inspection Fee   | Lower                                       | Higher              |