

NOTICE OF MODIFICATION TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

BNQ 2622-420 *PRECAST REINFORCED CONCRETE SEWER MAINTENANCE HOLES,
CATCH BASINS, VALVE CHAMBERS AND PUMPING STATIONS*

Date

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Updating of the certification program BNQ 2622-420 in reference to the standard BNQ 2622-420/2023 and the certification protocol BNQ 2622-951/2025

The aim of this notice is to inform you of:

- the updating of the certification program BNQ 2622-420 now offered in reference to the standard BNQ 2622-420/2023 and the certification protocol BNQ 2622-951/2025;
- the terms and conditions surrounding the transition period granted to manufacturers to comply with the new requirements set forth in the 2023 edition of the standard BNQ 2622-420 and the 2025 edition of the certification protocol BNQ 2622-951.

The certification program in reference to the 2023 edition of the standard BNQ 2622-420 is now subject to the requirements of the certification protocol BNQ 2622-951/2025 *Precast Concrete Products in accordance with Standards BNQ 2622-126 and BNQ 2622-420*. This document provides clarifications to the general rules of procedure of the information document BNQ 9902-001. It also outlines BNQ's specific conditions for intervention and the specific requirements that manufacturers shall meet as part of the certification program.

The terms and conditions surrounding this transition period are as follows.

- Starting December 1st, 2025, any new application for certification will be processed based on the certification program's new requirements.
- Manufacturers already holding a certificate of conformity or having a file open at the BNQ will not have to file a new application.
- Starting December 15, 2025, BNQ's periodic inspection visits may be conducted based on the certification program's new requirements. The BNQ will deliver certificates of conformity in relation to the standard's 2023 edition as the manufacturers will demonstrate that they meet these program's requirements.
- Starting June 1st, 2026, BNQ's periodic inspection visits will be conducted based on the certification program's new requirements. The BNQ will deliver certificates of conformity in relation to the standard's 2023 edition to manufacturers that demonstrate they meet that program's requirements.
- The updating of the manufacturer's certificate of conformity based on the certification program's new requirements will allow its continuation. The expiry date of the modified certificate of conformity will be identical to the expiry date of the certificate of conformity hold by the manufacturer in relation to the 2009 edition of the standard.
- **December 31, 2026**, is however the deadline for manufacturers holding a certificate of conformity in relation to the 2009 edition of the standard BNQ 2622-126 to demonstrate they meet the certification program's new requirements.
- Starting **January 1st, 2027**, the BNQ will withdraw all valid certificates of conformity in relation to the standard's 2009 edition. After that date, manufacturers seeking certification will have to file a new application with the BNQ, and application fees will be charged.

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