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Standard Terminology Relating to Commercially Installed Basketball Equipment, Volleyball Equipment, Practice Cages and Divider Curtains for Indoor Public Venues¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This terminology covers definitions related to commercially installed basketball equipment, volleyball equipment, practice cages and gymnasium divider curtains for use in public venues such as gymnasium spaces in schools, health clubs, recreation centers, churches and similar facilities available for use by the general public. Terminology may also be used for home gyms or other private use facilities.

1.2 *Units*—The values stated in inch-pound units are commonly regarded as the standard. The values given in parentheses are typically mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided as additional information.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Significance and Use

2.1 This terminology is appropriate for use by gymnasium equipment development professionals, owners and institutions, installers and contractors, specifiers, and other practitioners in matters concerning commercially installed indoor basketball equipment, volleyball equipment, practice cages and divider curtains evaluation, specifications, maintenance, and installation.

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

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backboard, *n*—synonym for basketball backboard; see **basketball backboard**.

backboard edge padding, *n*—cushion on bottom edge and 15 in. (38 cm) up each side of a rectangular-shaped basketball backboard to provide player protection.

DISCUSSION—Required by National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA), and International Basketball Federation (FIBA) rules.

backstop, *n*—a synonym for basketball backstop; see **basketball backstop**.

backstop hoist, *n*—mechanism to wrap or unwrap cable or belt that causes a basketball backstop mast to fold or lower to playing position.

DISCUSSION—The backstop hoist may be manually or electrically operated.

backstop winch, *n*—synonym for backstop hoist; see **backstop hoist**.

bank, *n*—synonym for basketball backboard; see **basketball backboard**.

basketball backboard, *n*—rigid vertical surface to which the goal attaches and may be rectangular or fan shaped and constructed of glass, fiberglass, wood, steel, aluminum, or other rigid material.

DISCUSSION—Backboard, size, material, and shape are determined by the governing body that sanctions play at a facility.

basketball backstop, *n*—complete system consisting of a rigid structure, basketball backboard, basketball goal, lifting system (if folding), goal height adjustment mechanism (if present) and other accessory items.

DISCUSSION—Basketball backstops are considered permanently installed systems and attached to a building ceiling, floor, or wall, or a combination thereof.

basketball goal, *n*—horizontal circular metal ring through which players try to throw the basketball and may be rigid (stationary) or moveable (breakaway) and will have a method to attach a basketball goal net.

DISCUSSION—Basketball goal size and style is set by the governing body that sanctions play at a facility.