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Foreword

This document (EN 71-2:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 52 "Safety of Toys", the secretariat of which is held by DS.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by December 2003, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 2003.

This document supersedes EN 71-2:1993.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

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Introduction

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This European Standard for the safety of toys consists of the following parts:

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Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties 762d0ca4a9b/sist-en-71-2-2003

Part 2: Flammability

Part 3: Migration of certain elements

Part 4: Experimental sets for chemistry and related activities

Part 5: Chemical toys (sets) other than experimental sets

Part 6: Graphical symbol for age warning labelling

Part 7: Finger paints - Requirements and test methods

This standard is Part 2 of the European Standard for safety of toys, EN 71, and should be read in conjunction with Part 1.

There are very few accident data concerning the hazards associated with the *flammability* of toys.

Toys must not constitute a dangerous flammable element in the child's environment.

1 Scope (see A.1)

This part of EN 71 specifies the categories of flammable materials which are prohibited in all toys, and requirements concerning *flammability* of certain toys when they are subjected to a small source of ignition.

The test methods described in clause 5 are used for the purposes of determining the *flammability* of toys under the particular test conditions specified. The test results thus obtained cannot be considered as providing an overall indication of the potential fire hazard of toys or materials when subjected to other sources of ignition.

This part includes general requirements relating to all toys and specific requirements and methods of test relating to the following toys, which are considered as being those presenting the greatest hazard:

- toys to be worn on the head which include beards, moustaches, wigs, etc, made from hair, pile or material with similar features, moulded and fabric masks and flowing material attached to hats, masks, etc. but excluding paper novelty hats of the type usually supplied in party crackers;
- toy disguise costumes and toys intended to be worn by a child in play
- toys intended to be entered by a child
- soft filled toys (animals and dolls, etc.) with a piled surface or textile surface.

NOTE Additional requirements for flammability of electric toys are specified in EN 50088 Safety of Electric Toys.

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2 Normative references

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This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 71-5:1993 - Safety of Toys - Part 5: Chemical toys (sets) other than experimental sets

EN ISO 2431:1991 - Methods for the determination of flow time of paints by use of flow cups

EN ISO 6941:1995 – Textile fabrics – Burning behaviour – Measurement of flame spread properties of vertically oriented specimens

EN 1103:1995 - Textiles - Burning behaviour. Fabrics for apparel. Details procedure to determine the burning behaviour of fabrics for apparel

EN 50088 - Safety of electric toys

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of EN 71 the following definitions apply, and appear in italics throughout the standard.

3.1

flammability

the ability of a material or a product to burn with a flame under specified test conditions.

3.2

flaming debris

material that becomes detached from the sample during the test procedure and continues to flame as it falls.

3.3

hair

slender flexible fibres intended to represent hair (see 4.2).

3.4

soft filled toys

toy, clothed or unclothed, with soft body surfaces and filled with soft material, allowing compression of the main part of the toy readily with the hand (see EN 71-1).

3.5

surface flash

rapid spread of flame over the surface of a material, without ignition of its base structure at the same time (EN 1103:1995).

3.6

molten drips

falling droplets of molten material.

3.7

flammable liquids

preparations having a flash point equal or greater than 21°C and less than or equal to 55 °C.

3.8

highly flammable liquids

preparations having a flash point below 21 °C.

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4 Requirements

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4.1 General (see A.2)

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The following materials shall not be used in the manufacture of toys: 03

- celluloid (cellulose nitrate), except when used in varnish, paint or glue, or in balls of the type used for table tennis or similar games, and materials with the same behaviour in fire as celluloid. Specific materials to which the test flame is applied in order to check compliance of the toy with requirements in 4.2 to 4.5 are considered to comply with this requirement if the toy meets its appropriate requirements in 4.2 to 4.5.
- materials with a piled surface which produce surface flash on the approach of a flame. Piled surfaces showing no momentary area of flame over the area of the piled surface remote from the test flame are considered to meet this requirement.
- highly flammable solids.

In addition, toys shall not contain flammable gases, extremely flammable liquids, flammable liquids, flammable gels except as provided for below:

- flammable liquids, flammable gels and preparations supplied in sealed containers having a maximum volume of 15 ml per container;
- highly flammable liquids and flammable liquids being entirely retained within a porous material in capillary channels of writing instruments;
- flammable liquids with a viscosity greater than 260 x 10⁻⁶ m²/s corresponding to a flow time of more than 38 s when determined in accordance with EN ISO 2431 using cup No. 6;
- highly flammable liquids contained in toys covered in EN 71-5.

NOTE Different legal requirements may exist in non-EU countries.

4.2 Toys to be worn on the head which include beards, moustaches, wigs, etc made from hair, pile or material with simular features, moulded and fabric masks, and flowing material attached to hats, masks etc. (see A.3)

When a product incorporates several features, for example a hat with an attached mask and hair, each part shall be tested separately to the applicable clause relevant to that particular part of the toy.

Attachments made from elastic or string which are used for the purpose of securing a mask, hat etc. on the head shall not be tested.

4.2.1 Beards, moustaches, wigs, etc, made from *hair*, pile or material with similar features (e.g. free-hanging ribbons, paper or cloth strands), which protrude more than or equal to 50 mm from the surface of the toy

These materials may or may not be attached to masks, hats or other products worn on the head.

When tested in accordance with 5.2, the duration of flaming shall not be more than 2 s after the removal of the test flame.

In addition, if ignition occurs, the maximum burnt length of hair, pile, or other attachments shall be:

- a) not more than 50 % of the greatest initial length, when the initial length was 150 mm or more;
- b) not more than 75 % of the greatest initial length, when the initial length was less than 150 mm

When determining whether materials are required to be tested under this clause, the distance by which the material protrudes shall be measured without applying tension to the protruding part, e.g. curly *hair* is not straightened. Plaits or braided *hair* shall be fully released and combed, where possible, before testing.

4.2.2 Beards, moustaches, wigs etc. made from *hair*, pile or material with similar features (e.g. free-hanging ribbons, paper or cloth strands etc.), which protrude less than 50 mm from the surface of the toy

These materials may or may not be attached to masks, hats or other products worn on the head.

When tested in accordance with **5.3**, the duration of flaming shall not be more than 2 s after the removal of the test flame and the maximum distance between the upper edge of the burnt area, and the point of application of the test flame shall not be more than 70 mm.

4.2.3 Full or partial moulded head masks including those which cover the head

When tested in accordance with **5.3**, the duration of flaming shall not be more than 2 s after the removal of the test flame. The maximum distance between the upper edge of the burnt area and the point of application of the test flame shall not be more than 70 mm. Cardboard partial masks with no hair, pile or other attachments (other than those for securing the toys) are excluded.

4.2.4 Flowing shrouds, hoods, head-dresses, etc. which are attached to products worn on the head and fabric masks which partially or fully cover the head, but excluding those items covered by 4.3

When tested in accordance with 5.4, the rate of spread of flame of the material shall not exceed 10 mm/s or shall self-extinguish before the second marker thread is severed.

4.3 Toy disguise costumes and toys intended to be worn by a child in play (see A.4)

These include e.g. cowboy suits, nurses outfits, etc and long flowing capes, etc not attached to headwear covered by 4.2.4.

When carrying out the tests, if there is insufficient material to obtain a test sample of at least 610 mm \times 100 mm, it is permissible to use a test sample made up of two separate pieces of material measuring 310 mm \times 100 mm which - when fitted together with an overlap of 10 mm (see **5.4.2**) - will constitute a test sample of 610 mm \times 100 mm.

When tested in accordance with 5.4, the rate of spread of flame shall not exceed 30 mm/s or shall self-extinguish before the second marker thread is severed.

If the rate of spread of flame is between 10 mm/s and 30 mm/s, both the toy and the packaging shall be permanently marked with the following warning: "Warning! Keep away from fire".

4.4 Toys intended to be entered by a child (see A.5)

These include e.g. toy tents, puppet theatres, wigwams, play tunnels.

When tested in accordance with **5.4**, the rate of spread of flame shall not exceed 30 mm/s or shall self-extinguish before the second marker thread is severed.

When tested in accordance with **5.4**, if the sample has a rate of spread of flame greater than 20 mm/s, there shall be no *flaming debris* or *molten drips*.

If the material has non-identical surfaces, both sides shall be tested.

If the rate of spread of flame is between 10 mm/s and 30 mm/s, both the toy and the packaging shall be permanently marked with the following warning: 'Warning! Keep away from fire'.

Where there is insufficient material to give a test sample of at least 610 mm x100 mm, it is permissible to use a test sample made up of two separate pieces of material measuring 310 mm x 100 mm which - when fitted together with an overlap of 10 mm (see **5.4.2**) - will constitute a test sample of 610 mm x100 mm.

4.5 Soft filled toys (animals and dolls, etc) with a piled or textile surface

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The requirements of this clause do not apply to toys with a maximum dimension of 150 mm or less. A toy shall be tested as supplied, including any clothing present with the toy and, if considered to be more onerous, with the clothes removed if removal can be accomplished without damage to the clothes or toy.

4.5.1 Soft filled toys with a total length 520 mm or less

When tested in accordance with 5.7, the rate of spread of flame on the surface shall not be more than 30 mm/s.

4.5.2 Soft filled toys with a maximum dimension greater than 520 mm

When tested in accordance with **5.8**, the rate of spread of flame on the surface shall not be more than 30 mm/s.

5 Methods of test

5.1 General

5.1.1 Test burner

The test flame shall be obtained from a burner as described in EN ISO 6941:1995 Annex A and shall be operated with butane or propane gas.

5.1.2 Conditioning and test chamber

Before each test, the toys or samples shall be conditioned for at least 7 h in an atmosphere having a temperature of (20 ± 5) °C and a relative humidity of (65 ± 5) %.

Carry out the tests in a test chamber in which the movement of air is less than 0,2 m/s at the start of the test and is not affected by operation of mechanical apparatus during the test. It is essential that the volume of air in the test chamber is not affected by a reduction in the level of oxygen concentration. When an open fronted chamber is used for the test, ensure that the test sample is at least 300 mm from the walls of the chamber. Maintain the chamber at 10 °C to 30 °C and at a relative humidity of 15 % to 80 % prior to the test being carried out.