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**Footwear — Test methods for uppers and  
lining — Water vapour permeability and  
absorption**

*Chaussures — Méthodes d'essai des tiges et des doublures —  
Perméabilité à la vapeur d'eau et absorption de la vapeur d'eau*

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This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 309 "Footwear", the secretariat of which is held by AENOR.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2002, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by June 2002.

This European Standard is based on the IUP 15 method and the European Standard EN 344-1 "Requirements and test methods for safety, protective and occupational footwear for professional use.

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