
**Safety footwear with resistance to chain
saw cutting**

Chaussures de sécurité résistantes aux coupures de scie à chaîne

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies requirements for safety footwear with resistance to chain saw cutting.

2 Normative references

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 (including amendments).

EN 381-3, *Protective clothing for users of hand-held chain-saws — Part 3: Test methods for footwear*

EN ISO 20344:2004, *Personal protective equipment - Test methods for footwear (ISO 20344:2004)*

EN ISO 20345:2004, *Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear (ISO 20345:2004)*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 20345:2004 and the following term and definition apply.

feather line

the line of a shoe where the upper meets the bottom, the part of the bottom involved being the welt, rand, or sole, depending on the method of shoe construction

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4 Classification

Safety footwear with resistance to chain saw cutting shall be classified in accordance with Table 1 of EN ISO 20345:2004.

5 Requirements

5.1 General

Four classes of safety footwear with varying resistance to chain saw cutting are specified according to the different chain saw speeds.

The uncertainty of measurement for each test method described in this standard shall be assessed in accordance with annex A.

Safety footwear with resistance to chain saw cutting shall conform to the requirements given in Table 1, Table 2, Table 3 and Table 4.

Table 1 — Requirements

	Requirement	Reference		Classification		Symbol
		EN ISO 20345:2004	This standard	I	II	
Design	Height of upper	5.2.1		X	X	
	Seat region:	5.2.2		X	X	
	Design		5.2	X	X	
	Construction		5.3	X	X	
Whole footwear	Sole performance:	5.3.1				
	Construction	5.3.1.1		X		
	Upper/outsole bond strength	5.3.1.2		X		
	Toe protection:	5.3.2				
	General	5.3.2.1		X	X	
	Internal length of toecaps	5.3.2.2		X	X	
	Impact resistance	5.3.2.3		X	X	
	Compression resistance	5.3.2.4		X	X	
	Behaviour of toecaps	5.3.2.5		X	X	
	Leak proofness	5.3.3			X	
	Specific ergonomic features	5.3.4		X	X	
	Penetration resistance	6.2.1		O	O	P
	Electrical properties:	6.2.2				
	Antistatic footwear	6.2.2.2		*	*	A
	Electrically insulating footwear	6.2.2.3		*	*	I
	Resistance to inimical environments:	6.2.3				
	Heat insulation of sole complex	6.2.3.1			*	HI
	Cold insulation of sole complex	6.2.3.2			*	CI
	Energy absorption of seat region	6.2.4			*	E
Water resistance	6.2.5			*	WR	
Metatarsal protection	6.2.6			*	M	
Ankle Protection	6.2.7			*	AN	
Resistance to chain saw cutting		5.4		X	X	
Upper	General	5.4.1		X	X	
	Thickness	5.4.2			X	
	Tear strength	5.4.3		X		
	Tensile properties	5.4.4		X	X	
	Flexing resistance	5.4.5			X	
	Water vapour permeability and coefficient	5.4.6		X		
	pH value	5.4.7		X		
	Hydrolysis	5.4.8			X	
	Chromium VI content	5.4.9		X		
	Water penetration and water absorption	6.3.1		*		
	Upper construction	6.3.2		X		
	Cut resistance	6.3.3		*	*	CR

Table 1 (continued) — Requirements

	Requirement	Reference		Classification		Symbol
		EN ISO 20345:2004	This standard	I	II	
Vamp lining	Tear strength	5.5.1		X		
	Abrasion resistance	5.5.2		X		
	Water vapour permeability and coefficient	5.5.3		X		
	pH value	5.5.4		X		
	Chromium VI content	5.5.5		X		
Quarter lining	Tear strength	5.5.1		O		
	Abrasion resistance	5.5.2		O		
	Water vapour permeability and coefficient	5.5.3		O		
	pH value	5.5.4		O		
	Chromium VI content	5.5.5		O		
Tongue	Tear strength	5.6.1		O		
	pH value	5.6.2		O		
	Chromium VI content	5.6.3		O		
Outsole	Thickness	5.8.1		X	X	
	Tear strength	5.8.2		X		
	Abrasion resistance	5.8.3		X	X	
	Flexing resistance	5.8.4		X	X	
	Hydrolysis	5.8.5		X	X	
	Interlayer bond strength	5.8.6		O	O	
	Resistance to fuel oil	5.8.7		X	X	
	Cleated area	6.4.1		X	X	
	Thickness of cleated outsoles	6.4.2		X	X	
	Cleat height	6.4.3		X	X	
	Resistance to hot contact	6.4.4		*	*	HRO
NOTE	The applicability of a requirement to a particular classification is indicated in this Table by the following:					
X	the requirement shall be met. In some cases the requirement relates only to particular materials within the classification — e.g. pH value of leather components. This does not mean that other materials are precluded from use.					
O	if the component part exists, the requirement shall be met.					
	The absence of X or O indicates that there is no requirement.					
*	Means that if the property is claimed, the requirement given in the appropriate clause shall be met.					

Table 2 — Basic requirements for insoles and/or insocks

Options			Component to be assessed	Requirements of EN ISO 20345: 2004 to fulfil					
				Thickness 5.7.1	pH ^a 5.7.2	Water absorption desorption 5.7.3	Abrasion 5.7.4.1	Chromium VI ^a 5.7.5	Abrasion 5.7.4.2
1	No insole or if present not fulfilling the requirements	Non removable insock	Insock	X	X	X		X	X
2		No insock	Insole	X	X	X	X	X	
		Seat sock present							
3	Insole present	Full insock, non removable	Insock and insole together	X		X			
			Insock		X		X	X	
4		Full insock, removable and water permeable ^b	Insole	X	X	X	X	X	
			Insock		X			X	X
5		Full insock, removable, not water permeable ^b	Insole	X	X	X	X	X	
			Insock		X	X		X	X

X the requirement shall be met.

NOTE : For removable insocks see 7.4.

^a those requirements are only for leather

^b a water permeable insock is one that, when tested in accordance with EN ISO 20344: 2004, 7.2, lets water through in 60 s or less

5.2 Design

Safety footwear with resistance to chain saw cutting shall only be of design C, D or E as described in Figure 3 of EN ISO 20345:2004.

The minimum height “f” of the protective area (see Figure 1) shall be in accordance with Table 3.

Table 3 - Minimum height of the protective area

Footwear size		Minimum height, <i>l</i> (mm)	
French	English	Design C	Designs D, E
36 and below	Up to 3 ½	172	195
37 and 38	4 to 5	175	195
39 and 40	5 ½ to 6 ½	182	195
41 and 42	7 to 8	188	195
43 and 44	8 ½ to 10	195	195
45 and above	10 ½ and above	195	195

5.3 Construction

Safety footwear with resistance to chain saw cutting shall have a continuous protective area, as shown in Figure 1, comprising the vamp, tongue and toe area of the footwear. It includes:

- a) the safety toecap;
- b) the area immediately behind the toecap back edge bounded by two vertical lines at least 70 mm on either side of the footwear centre line, measured between point A and point B as shown in Figure 1, and a line parallel to the feather line at a maximum distance of 10 mm above the feather line and with a minimum height as given in Table 3.

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