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## **Foreword**

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#### 1 Scope

This standard specifies a method for determining the body voltage generated when a person wearing standardized footwear walks on a resilient or laminate floor covering. The test method can be used under laboratory conditions as well as in-situ.

#### 2 Normative References

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 61340-4-1:2004 Electrostatics - Part 4-1: Standard test methods for specific applications - Electrical resistance of floor coverings and installed floors (IEC 61340-4-1)

#### 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this European standard the following terms and definitions apply:

#### 3.1

#### static electrical propensity

static electrical charge generated by a person walking on a floor

#### 3.2

#### grounded connection

direct electrical connection to earth

## 4 Principle

A floor covering is evaluated for static electrical propensity by means of a walking test with an operator using a pair of standard sandals, walking over the floor covering situated over a grounded metal base plate (resilient floor coverings) or over a PE-foam/PE-foil situated over a grounded metal base plate (laminate floor coverings).

#### 5 Apparatus

#### 5.1 Substructure for resilient floor coverings

A grounded metal base plate shall be used, e.g. a stainless steel plate of approximately (100 x 200) cm and 1 mm thick.

#### 5.2 Substructure for laminate floor coverings

## 5.2.1 Laminate floor coverings without attached sound absorbing material

A PE foam sheet of approximately (220 x 120) cm and (3  $\pm$  0,5) mm thick, with a vertical volume resistance  $\geq 10^{13} \Omega$  (measured at 500 V DC according to EN 61340-4-1) shall be used. This PE foam sheet is laid on a grounded metal base plate, as specified in 5.1.

## 5.2.2 Laminate floor coverings with attached sound absorbing material:

A water vapour barrier PE foil of approximately (220 x 120) cm and  $(0.2 \pm 0.1)$  mm thick is laid on a grounded metal base plate, as specified in 5.1.

NOTE The product Trittex 3 mm made by Selit GmbH is an example of a suitable PE-foam product available commercially. This information is given for the convenience of users of this European standard and does not constitute an endorsement by CEN of this product. Equivalent products may be used if they can be shown to lead to the same results.