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## European foreword

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## Introduction

Play is the means by which children discover and understand the world in which they live and is an essential element in a child's physical and mental growth.

It is important for children's rounded development that, through play, they arrive at an understanding of danger, which provides a basis for assessing safety in a variety of situations. The balance between challenge and safety is an important consideration.

The inflatable play equipment referred to in this European Standard can provide different levels of challenge and excitement. This standard aims to minimize the level of risk and the possibility of serious injury while allowing children to enjoy themselves when playing in or on inflatable equipment.

This standard acknowledges the difficulties of addressing safety issues by age criteria alone because the ability to handle risk is based on the individual user's level of skill and not age. Moreover, users other than the intended age range might make use of the inflatable equipment, in which case, the provisions of this standard still apply.

It is not the purpose of the requirements of this standard to affect a child's need to play nor to lessen the contribution that inflatable play equipment makes either to the child's development or meaningful play from an educational point of view.

Where inflatable play equipment is combined with other items of children's playground equipment, the relevant standards applying to the other items of equipment should also be consulted.

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## 1 Scope

This document is applicable to inflatable play equipment intended for use by children fourteen years and under, both individually and collectively.

This part of the standard specifies additional safety requirements for snappies for which the primary activities are climbing and sliding. It sets measures to address risks and also to minimize accidents to users for those involved in the design, manufacture and supply of inflatable play equipment. It specifies information to be supplied with the equipment. The requirements have been laid down bearing in mind the risk factor based on available data.

This document specifies requirements to protect a child from hazards that he or she might be unable to foresee when using the equipment as intended, or in a manner that can be reasonably anticipated.

This document is not applicable to inflatable water-borne play and leisure equipment, domestic inflatable toys, air-supported buildings, inflatables used solely for protection, inflatables used for rescue, or other types of inflatable toys where the primary activity is not bouncing or sliding.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 14960-1:2019, *Inflatable play equipment – Part 1: Safety requirements and test methods*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

Note 1 to entry: In order not to confine the application of this document to those items of equipment currently in use and to allow freedom of design for the manufacture of new equipment, only the fundamental forms of equipment and motion are defined.

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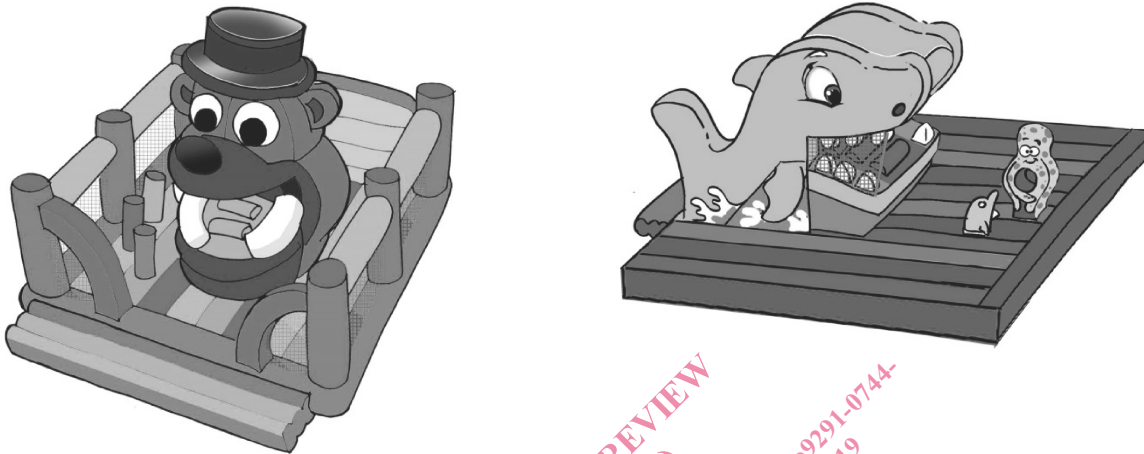
## 3.1

**snappy**

inflated structure built onto a base inflatable bed

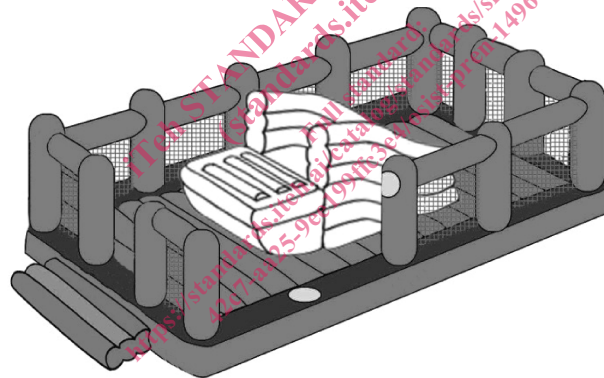
Note 1 to entry: It serves to raise users on a hinged elevating surface to a higher platform from which they may exit via a slide, ramp or steps or other method.

Note 2 to entry: See Figure 1.



a) Roofed snappy on a walled inflatable base

b) Roofed snappy on a flat inflatable base



c) Snappy without roof on a walled inflatable base

Figure 1 — Examples of snappy

## 3.2

**blower**

powered machines used to continuously inflate the base inflatable structure and to intermittently inflate the hinged platform of the snappy

## 4 Free height of fall

The free height of fall from the hinged platform to the inflated bed below shall be  $\leq 3,0$  m, provided that the inflated bed has sufficient impact attenuation properties.



## 5 Positioning of snappy structures on base inflatable beds

The clear space requirement around a snappy on a walled inflatable shall be (see Figure 2):

- Entrance** -  $\geq 50\%$  of the height of the highest point of the hinged platform in its fully raised position, measured from the surface of the base inflatable bed, with  $a \geq 1,2$  m;
- Exit** - when exiting the snappy structure involves forced movement, e.g. sliding,  $\geq 50\%$  of the height of the top platform of the slide, measured from the surface of the base inflatable bed  $+0,5$  m;
- Sides** - when one side of the snappy structure is integral with the outside wall of the base inflatable, clear space at the other side shall be sufficient to allow safe, unobstructed evacuation of the users and, in any case,  $\geq 1,2$  m; when neither side is integrated with the outside wall of the base inflatable, the clear space at one side shall be,  $\geq 0,5$  m and at the other side sufficient to allow safe, unobstructed evacuation of the users and, in any case,  $\geq 1,2$  m.



a) snappy structure not integral with outside wall of the base inflatable

b) snappy structure integral with outside wall of the base inflatable

### Key

- minimum distance between the entrance of the snappy and the adjacent wall
- minimum distance between the exit of the snappy and the adjacent wall
- minimum distances between the sides of the snappy and the adjacent walls

Figure 2 — Minimum distances to adjacent walls

The clear space requirement around a Snappy on an inflatable without walls shall be (see Figure 3):

- Entrance** -  $\geq 50\%$  of the height of the highest point of the hinged platform, measured from the surface of the base inflatable bed  $+1,5$  m;
- Exit** - when exiting the snappy structure involves forced movement, e.g. sliding,  $\geq 50\%$  of the height of the top platform of the slide, measured from the surface of the base inflatable bed  $+1,0$  m;
- Sides** -  $\geq 2,0$  m.