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## **Introduction**

Information about leather goods by means of descriptions, labels and markings can strengthen consumer protection whilst also protecting the leather industry. Standardized information is of mutual benefit for consumers and the leather industry, as it indicates the exact nature of the materials and components used.

This document has been designed as a reference document for the description, labelling and marking of leather in leather goods.

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## 1 Scope

This document sets the requirements for the description, labelling and marking of leather in leather goods.

This document defines the information to be included on descriptions, labels and markings for leather goods intended for sale to the final consumer.

## 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 15987, *Leather - Terminology - Key definitions for the leather trade*

EN ISO 17131, *Leather - Identification of leather with microscopy (ISO 17131)*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 15987 and the following apply.

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

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

### 3.1 Terminology related to labelling

#### 3.1.1

##### leather goods

travel goods, pocket goods, containers and fashion accessories fully or partially made with leather

Note 1 to entry: Leather goods include for example: belts, watch straps, trunks, suitcases, vanity cases, executive-cases, briefcases, school satchels, spectacle cases, binocular cases, camera cases, musical instrument cases, gun cases, holsters and similar containers; travelling-bags, insulated food or beverages bags, toilet bags, rucksacks, handbags, shopping-bags, wallets, purses, map-cases, cigarette-cases, tobacco-pouches, tool bags, sports bags, bottle-cases, jewellery boxes, powder boxes, cutlery cases and similar containers.

#### 3.1.2

##### description

indicating the required information by way of communication through press, social and other media

#### 3.1.3

##### labelling

affixing the required information to the leather goods by way of attaching a label

#### 3.1.4

##### marking

indicating the required information directly on the leather goods by way of sewing, embroidering, printing, embossing or any other technology of application

#### 3.1.5

##### handle

part that is designed to be grasped by the hand to carry the good

**EN 17651:2022 (E)****3.1.6****strap**

strip of flexible material used to fasten, secure, or carry something or to hold on to something

**3.2 Terminology related to leather goods****3.2.1****small leather goods**

leather goods of small dimensions such as wallets, purses, watch straps, key rings, document holders, object boxes, albums, desk items, etc.

**3.2.2****belt**

strip in leather, textile, plastic materials, rubber, latex or various materials, lined or not, generally equipped with a buckle, with which clothes are supported at waist height

Note 1 to entry: Belts are distinguished by those of ornamental type and those of functional type.

**4 Testing**

EN ISO 17131 shall be used where appropriate for the identification of leather.

**5 Requirements to be included in the label or marking of leather goods****5.1 Essential requirements for labelling**

**5.1.1** For leather goods to be described, labelled or marked as “made of leather”, not less than 80 % of the external surface area shall be made of leather.

**5.1.2** When the article does not comply with the requirement stated in 5.1.1, it shall not be described, labelled or marked as leather goods. Such articles can be described by indicating first the material making up the largest part of the external surface area followed by the second largest area for a minimum of 80 % of the total external surface area.

**5.1.3** Any additional description on the article shall not be misleading when referring to:

- the species of the animal;
- the type of tanning;
- the type of grain;
- the type of finishing;
- the embossed grain or the use of embossed leather; in this case, it shall be clarified that the grain is an imitation of the real animal grain (i.e. embossed grain imitation/to imitate python grain).

**5.2 Additional requirements**

Additional information may accompany the indications provided in 5.1 and may also include the product code, price or other information (for example: information regarding the repair, customs or commercial identification of the product, toll-free number, Internet address and any trademark).

Performance characteristics, when present, shall be expressed in a measurable and objective manner, substantiated by an internationally recognized test method.



## 6 Descriptions, labels and markings for leather goods

The information about leather goods shall comply with the following general requirements:

- a) the description, labelling and marking shall not mislead the consumer and shall be at least in the language of the country in which the product is marketed. If this country is unknown, English shall be used, unless otherwise specified in the sales documents;
- b) in case of a label, it shall be visible and firmly attached or inserted;

NOTE In the case of small leather goods, or if the label can damage the good, the label can be included in or attached to the packaging supplied with the article.

- c) in case of a label, it shall be present and complete at the time of sale to the consumer;
- d) the size of the symbols and writings shall be sufficient to make it easier to understand the information; the characters used shall be at least 2 mm;
- e) the description, labelling or marking shall be carried out in such a way that the consumer can easily understand to which part of the product the information relates to leather, by identifying the part or parts in words or in graphics next to the appropriate material terminology.

In the case of labels or markings of materials in leather goods (examples are shown in Table 1), the information shall be affixed next to the other compulsory labels or markings.

**Table 1 — Example of information for a label or marking**

Text or graphic identification of component(s) of the article (handle, lining, etc.) where leather is used as a material
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- [2] Directive 2001/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001 on general product safety (OJ n° L 11/4 of 15 January 2002)
- [3] Directive 2005/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2005 concerning unfair business-to-consumer commercial practices in the internal market and amending Council Directive 84/450/EEC, Directives 97/7/EC, 98/27/EC and 2002/65/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council ('Unfair Commercial Practices Directive') (OJ n° L 149/22 of 11 June 2005)

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