
Personal protective equipment for firefighters — Standard terms and definitions

*Équipement de protection personnelle pour pompiers — Termes et
définitions normalisés*

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Introduction

The definitions compiled in this document apply to the standards and draft standards prepared by ISO/TC 94/SC 14.

For this reason, the terms and definitions laid down in this technical report only cover personal protective equipment which is used by firefighters.

Since the document was developed under Clause 5.2 of the Vienna Agreement, it also takes account of terms and definitions of the relevant ISO-TC for protective clothing, ISO/TC 94/SC 13 and ISO/TR 11610. In addition, terms applied by the American National Fire Protection Association standards body and other standards bodies including EN and AS/NZS Standards are included in so far as ISO/TC 94/SC 14 use them in its standardising activities.

This document is intended to serve as a reference document for ISO/TC 94/SC 14 to ascertain what definitions already exist and may be used for setting up new standards and to provide guidance in the elaboration of new definitions. The document should be taken into account when terms need to be defined in ISO/TC 94/SC 14. Except in exceptional circumstances, terms included in [Clause 3](#) of this document should not be re-defined with a different meaning in a standard prepared by ISO/TC 94/SC 14. If the particular use of a term requires a further definition to limit its meaning within the definition in this document, this document should be referred to and the term number given. The division of a concept defined in this document into sub-concepts in a terms and definitions clause of another standard should be in accordance with ISO 704:1994 and ISO 860. The layout should be in accordance with ISO 10241-1.

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It is strongly recommended that terms in this document are used within the limits of their definitions when they are used in manufacturers' information leaflets and in advertising and promotion of products covered by standards prepared by ISO/TC 94/SC 14.

This document aims to facilitate the use of terms that have already been defined and to serve as a basis for further definitions when new standards are being developed for firefighters' personal protective equipment.

