

What's New - EU Toy Standard EN 71-1:2014+A1:2018

What's changed since the last update?

This document supersedes BS EN 71-1:2014 and combines three amendments into one which covers:

- Cords and drawstrings in toys and packaging
- Projectiles, rotors, propellers and flying toys
- EN 71-1:2014/prA3:2015 Safety of toys Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties

Significant Changes

• Projectiles

| Clause | Summary of Changes |
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| 4.17 | Describes a complete revision of the requirements for <i>Projectile Toys</i> |
| 4.17.2 | Defines a revised requirement for "leading parts" of projectiles (including suction cups), instead of tip radius |
| 4.17.3 | Introduces the new principle of using <i>kinetic energy density</i> (instead of kinetic energy) in assessing projectiles with stored energy. There are also new requirements for impact resistance, and those for improvised projectiles |
| 4.17.4 | Defines new requirements for toy catapults and projectiles propelled by an elastic band, and new requirement for certain projectiles without stored energy |

• Cords

| Clause | Summary of Changes |
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| 5.4 | Defines a complete revision of the requirements for cords, for better understanding of |
| | the requirements |
| 5.4.2 | Addresses toys for children under 18 months of age, regarding separation and |
| | clarification of requirements for cords or chains with the potential to tangle, and other |
| | cords. Plus additional requirements for two cords or chains with the potential to tangle |
| 5.4.3 | Same purpose as clause 5.4.2, but for toys for children aged 18 months and over |

• Miscellaneous Changes

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| New requirements for toys in disguise costumes |
| New requirements for flying toys, including requirements for rotors and |
| propellers and certain remote controlled flying toys |
| Clarification of requirements for electrical cables |
| Includes new requirements for toys intended to be attached to a cradle, cot or |
| perambulator |
| Inclusion of new requirements for sledges with cords for pulling |
| Changes to the requirements for warnings |
| A requirement for a warning for toys intended to be attached to a cradle, cot or |
| perambulator |
| New rationale for flying toys and propellers |
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• Updates of Test Methods

| Clause | Summary of Changes |
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| 8 | Updates to test methods related to projectile toys, flying toys, cords and toy scooters |
| 8.4.2.4 | A new tension test for projectiles with suction cups |
| 8.4.2.5 | A new wall impact test for projectiles |
| 8.22, 8.23, | Changes to the test methods and the test loads for toy scooters |
| 8.27 | |
| 8.40 | Clarification of the methods to measure the length of cords and chains |
| 8.41 | New test method for the assessment of the tangle potential of two cords or chains |
| 8.42 | A new test for the determination of projectile range |

Date of Publication

The amendment has been approved by CEN and published on 27 June 2018.

Used as Test Reference in 2009/48/EC "Toy Safety Directive"?

Not yet. As at the date of this newsletter, this new EN 71 standard has not yet been published in the official journal for the pre-requisite of compliance for the Toy Safety Directive, which still refers to EN 71-1:2014.

Therefore, clients are suggested to contact STC regularly for keeping well informed of the progress as to the adoption of this <u>new EN 71-1:2014+A1:2018</u> for compliance with the Toy Safety Directive.

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