

Standards that apply to Equipment for Children

The following is a list (not exhaustive) of some of the standards that apply to equipment for children. Other standards that relate to equipment for children are included in an annex to this list.

NOTE: Fire safety standards will apply to some of the equipment listed, however, these standards have not been included here.

Baby bouncers

I.S. EN 14036 Child use and care articles - Baby bouncers - Safety requirements and test methods.

Summary Provides the minimum safety requirements and test methods for vertically suspended baby bouncers for domestic use, for children who can support their head unaided and up to a maximum weight of 12 kg.

Baby carriers

I.S. EN 13209-1 Child use and care articles - Baby carriers - Safety requirements and test methods - Part 1: Framed back carriers

Summary Specifies the safety requirements and test methods for child back carriers with framed support. These framed carriers are intended for children who can sit unaided (approximately 6 months of age) and are designed to be attached to a carer's torso allowing a "hands free operation" when standing and/or walking.

I.S. EN 13209-2 Child use and care articles - Baby carriers - Safety requirements and test methods - Part 2: Soft carriers

Summary Specifies the safety requirements and test methods for soft carriers for children, i.e., those carriers without a framed support.

Baby walking frames

I.S. EN 1273 Child care articles - Baby walking frames - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Describes safety requirements and test methods for baby walking frames into which a child is placed, and intended to be used from when the child is able to sit up by itself until the child is able to walk by itself.

Carry cots and stands

I.S. EN 1466 Child care articles - Carry cots and stands - Safety requirements and test methods.

Summary Provides safety requirements and test methods for products that are intended for the purpose of carrying a child in a lying position by means of handle(s) and for stands that may be used in conjunction with these products.

NOTE: This standard applies to carry cots with rigid or soft sides as well as Moses baskets and any similar articles.

Car seats

ECE Regulation 44.03 on child restraints.

Changing units

I.S. EN 12221-1 Changing units for domestic use - Part 1: Safety requirements.

Summary Defines safety requirements for changing units of all types for children weighing 15 kg or less. Deals only with the function of the item as changing unit. The unit can be foldable and fitted with a children's bath tub or other items, and only changing pads forming part of the unit are covered.

I.S. EN 12221-2 Changing units for domestic use - Part 2: Test methods.

Summary Specifies tests methods that assess the safety of changing units for domestic use.

Child seat for cycles

I.S. EN 14344 Child use and care articles - Child seats for cycles - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Gives requirements for child seats for cycles, which are intended to be mounted on pedal cycles and electrically power assisted bicycles, in order to transport children with a weight from 9 kg up to 22 kg (approximately 9 months up to 5 years) and who are capable of sitting unaided.

Cots and folding cots

I.S. EN 716-1 Furniture - Children's cots and folding cots for domestic use - Part 1: Safety requirements.

Summary Specifies requirements relating to the safety of children's cots for domestic use. It applies to cots and folding cots, with an internal length between 900 and 1400 mm.

I.S. EN 716-2 Furniture - Children's cots and folding cots for domestic use - Part 2: Test methods.

Summary Describes test methods that assess the safety of children's cots and folding costs for domestic use

NOTE: I.S. EN 716 - Parts 1 & 2 apply to cots and folding cots with an internal length between 900 and 1400mm. They do not cover rocking and swinging cots. Cots that can be converted into other items, e.g., changing units & playpens, shall, when converted, fulfil the relevant standard for that item.

Cribs and cradles

I.S. EN 1130-1 Furniture - Cribs and cradles for domestic use - Part 1: Safety requirements

Summary Defines safety requirements for cribs/cradles for domestic use.

I.S. EN 1130-2 Furniture - Cribs and cradles for domestic use - Part 2: Test methods

Summary Defines the testing methods for assessment of safety of fully assembled cribs and cradles for domestic use.

Cutlery and feeding utensils

I.S. EN 14372 Child use and care articles - Cutlery and feeding utensils - safety requirements and test methods

Summary Covers safety requirements relating to the materials, construction, performance, packaging and labelling of cutlery and feeding utensils.

Drinking equipment

I.S. EN 14350-1 Child use and care articles - Drinking equipment - Part 1:

General and mechanical requirements and tests

Summary Gives general and mechanical requirements for materials to be used for the manufacture of re-usable feeding teats and drinking accessories; re-usable feeding bottles and drinking cups; single-use feeding bottles, feeding teats, feeding bags and drinking accessories, which do not contain fluid when purchased.

I.S. EN 14350-2 Child use and care articles - Drinking equipment - Part 2:

Chemical requirements and tests

Summary Describes limits for the release of certain chemicals from materials to be used for the manufacture of the following drinking equipment, re-usable feeding teats and drinking accessories, re-usable feeding bottles and drinking cups, single-use feeding bottles, feeding teats, feeding bags and drinking accessories, which do not contain fluid when purchased.

Harnesses, reins and similar type articles

I.S. EN 13210 Child use and care articles - Children's harnesses, reins and similar articles - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Provides the minimum safety requirements and test methods for harnesses, comprising strap assemblies, and body type garments for restraining children up to 4 years of age.

High chairs

I.S. EN 14988-1 Children's high chairs - Part 1: Safety requirements

Summary Describes safety requirements for children's high chairs intended for children from 6 months to 36 months of age.

I.S. EN 14988-2 Children's high chairs - Part 2: Test methods

Summary Describes test methods for the assessment of the requirements of children's high chairs.

Helmets

I.S. EN 1080 Impact protection helmets for young children

Summary Provides requirements and test methods for helmets intended for use by children under the age of seven while pursuing activities in motor vehicle free environments which have proven risks of head injuries.

Mattresses and bumpers

BS 1877 - 10 Domestic bedding - Beds and mattresses - Safety requirements and test methods

NOTE: This standard applies to mattresses and bumpers for children's cots, cot beds, perambulators, carry cots, moses baskets and similar domestic articles.

Moses baskets

I.S. EN 1466 Child care articles - Carry cots and stands - Safety requirements and test methods.

Summary Provides safety requirements and test methods for products that are intended for the purpose of carrying a child in a lying position by means of handle(s) and for stands that may be used in conjunction with these products.

NOTE: This standard applies to carry cots with rigid or soft sides as well as moses baskets and any similar articles.

Playpens

I.S. EN 12227-1 Playpens for domestic use - Part 1: Safety requirements

Summary Defines requirements regarding the safety of playpens and folding playpens for domestic use, for children having a body weight not in excess of 15 kg.

I.S. EN 12227-2 Playpens for domestic use - Part 2: Test methods

Summary Specifies a number of tests consisting of the application, to various parts of the item, of loads and forces simulating normal functional use, as well as misuse that can reasonably be expected to occur.

Perambulators & pushchairs

I.S. EN 1888 Child care articles - Wheeled child conveyances - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Provides the safety requirements and test methods for wheeled child conveyances designed for the carriage of one or more children

Reclined cradles

I.S. EN 12790 Child care articles - Reclined cradles

Summary Provides safety requirements and the corresponding test methods for fixed or folding reclined cradles intended for children up to 6 months and or up to a weight of 9 kg.

Safety barriers

I.S. EN 1930 Child care articles - Safety barriers - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Provides the safety requirements and test methods for child safety barriers for domestic use which are designed to be fitted across openings which limits the child's access within the home to prevent young children up to 24 months of age passing through, but which can be removed or opened by older persons able to operate the locking mechanism.

Safety harness & reins

I.S. EN 13210 Child use and care articles - Children's harnesses, reins and similar type articles - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Provides the minimum safety requirements and test methods for harnesses, comprising strap assemblies, and body type garments for restraining children up to 4 years of age.

Soothers

I.S. EN 1400-1 Child use and care articles - Soothers for babies and young children - Part 1: General safety requirements and product information.

Summary Describes general safety requirements relating to the materials, construction, packaging and labelling of soothers. It includes also requirements relating to the instructions for use.

I.S. EN 1400-2 Child use and care articles - Soothers for babies and young children - Part 2: Mechanical requirements and tests.

Summary Describes mechanical requirements and test methods for the performance of soothers for babies and young children.

I.S. EN 1400-3 Child use and care articles - Soothers for babies and young children - Part 3: Chemical requirements and tests.

Summary Provides limits and test methods for the release of certain chemicals from materials used for the manufacture of soothers.

Soother Holder

I.S. EN 12586 Child care articles - Soother holder - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Defines safety requirements related to the materials, construction, performance, packaging and labelling of soother holders.

Table mounted chairs

I.S. EN 1272 Child care articles - Table mounted chairs - Safety requirements and test methods

Summary Defines safety requirements and corresponding test procedures for table mounted chairs, meant for children capable of sitting up by themselves (approximately 6 months old) weighing up to 15 kg. Covers only safety and does not define particular designs or special construction methods for the chairs themselves.

Travel cots

I.S. EN 716-1 Furniture - Children's cots and folding cots for domestic use - Part 1: Safety requirements.

Summary Specifies requirements relating to the safety of children's cots for domestic use. It applies to cots and folding cots, with an internal length between 900 and 1400 mm.

I.S. EN 716-2 Furniture - Children's cots and folding cots for domestic use - Part 2: Test methods.

Summary Describes test methods that assess the safety of children's cots and folding cots for domestic use.

NOTE: I.S. EN 716 - Parts 1 & 2 apply to cots and folding cots with an internal length between 900 and 1400mm. They do not cover rocking and swinging cots. Cots that can be converted into other items, e.g., changing units & playpens, shall, when converted, fulfil the relevant standard for that item.

BS 7423 Specification for safety requirements for children's travel cots of internal base length not less than 900mm.

Annex

Other Standards relevant to Equipment for Children

N-Nitrosamines and N-Nitrosable substances

I.S. EN 12868 *Child use and care articles - Methods for determining the release of N-Nitrosamines and N-Nitrosable substances from elastomer or rubber teats and soothers.*

Summary Defines procedures for the identification, isolation and determination of N-nitrosamines and N-nitrosable released by artificial saliva from rubber or elastomer teats and soothers.

Packaging

IS EN 862 *Packaging - Child-resistant packaging - Requirements and testing procedures for non-reclosable packages for non-pharmaceutical products*

Summary Covers the requirements and test methods for non-reclosable child-resistant packages designated as resistant to opening by children.

IS EN 14375 *Packaging - Child-resistant non-reclosable packaging for pharmaceutical products - Requirements and testing*

Summary Gives performance requirements and methods of test for non-reclosable packaging that have been designated child-resistant.

Safety Guidelines

CEN/TR 13387 *Child use and care articles - Safety guidelines*