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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN /TC 85, "Eye-protective equipment", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by May 2002, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by May 2002.

This document replaces EN 168:1995.

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For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative annex ZA, which is an integral part of this standard.

The annexes A and ZA are informative.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies non-optical test methods for eye-protectors, the requirements for which are contained in other European Standards.

Alternative test methods may be used if shown to be equivalent.

The optical test methods are given in EN 167.

A definition of terms is given in EN 165.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 165, *Personal eye-protection — Vocabulary*.

EN 166, *Personal eye-protection — Specifications*.

EN 167, *Personal eye-protection — Optical test methods*.

ISO 565, *Test sieves — Metal wire cloth, perforated metal plate and electroformed sheet — Nominal sizes of openings*.

3 Test for increased robustness

New specimens shall be used for this test.

3.1 Unmounted oculars

3.1.1 Apparatus

The support for the ocular (see Figure 1) shall be a steel or rigid plastic cylinder with an internal diameter of $(35,0 \pm 0,1)$ mm and an outside diameter of $(41,0 \pm 0,1)$ mm. The cylinder shall be inserted into, or be an integral part of a steel base. The ocular shall be cushioned by a silicone seating ring firmly attached to the top of the tube.

This seating ring shall be made of silicone rubber of (40 ± 5) I.R.H.D and shall have an inside diameter of $(35,0 \pm 0,4)$ m and cross sections of 3 mm x 3 mm nominal dimensions.

The combined mass of the support shall be at least 12 kg.

A load ring of mass (250 ± 5) g is placed on the ocular. The ring has an inside diameter the same as that of the support tube, and any convenient outside diameter. A silicone seating ring having the same dimensions and hardness as the one attached to the top of the support tube is placed between the load ring and the ocular. A piece of carbon paper on a piece of white paper is placed at the base of the 1,5 mm deep cavity in the ocular support (see Figure 1).

For curved oculars with a cylindrical component, the test support tube and load ring shall be curved to conform to the concave and convex surfaces of the ocular respectively, and the dimensions of 3 mm and 4,5 mm shall apply to the deepest point of the circular support. (See Figure 1).

If the ocular is of insufficient dimensions to enable its entire periphery to be adequately supported, suitable adaptor sleeves shall be used.