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This document (EN 14960-3:2020) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 136 “Sports, playground and other recreational facilities and equipment”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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Introduction

Play is the means by which children discover and understand the world in which they live and is an essential element in a child's physical and mental growth.

It is important for children's rounded development that, through play, they arrive at an understanding of danger, which provides a basis for assessing safety in a variety of situations. The balance between challenge and safety is an important consideration.

The inflatable play equipment referred to in this document can provide different levels of challenge and excitement. This document aims to minimize the level of risk and the possibility of serious injury while allowing children to enjoy themselves when playing in or on inflatable equipment.

This document acknowledges the difficulties of addressing safety issues by age criteria alone because the ability to handle risk is based on the individual user's level of skill and not age. Moreover, users other than the intended age range might make use of the inflatable equipment, in which case, the provisions of this document still apply.

It is not the purpose of the requirements of this document to affect a child's need to play nor to lessen the contribution that inflatable play equipment makes either to the child's development or meaningful play from an educational point of view.

Where inflatable play equipment is combined with other items of children's playground equipment, the relevant standards applying to the other items of equipment should also be consulted.

1 Scope

This part of EN 14960 is applicable to inflatable play equipment intended for use by children fourteen years and under, both individually and collectively.

This part of EN 14960 specifies additional safety requirements for snappies for which the primary activities are climbing and sliding. It sets measures to address risks and also to minimize accidents to users for those involved in the design, manufacture and supply of inflatable play equipment. It specifies information to be supplied with the equipment. The requirements have been laid down bearing in mind the risk factor based on available data.

This part of the EN 14960 specifies requirements to protect a child from hazards that he or she might be unable to foresee when using the equipment as intended, or in a manner that can be reasonably anticipated.

This part of the EN 14960 is not applicable to inflatable water-borne play and leisure equipment, domestic inflatable toys, air-supported buildings, inflatables used solely for protection, inflatables used for rescue, or other types of inflatable toys where the primary activity is not bouncing or sliding.

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 14960-1:2019, *Inflatable play equipment - Part 1: Safety requirements and test methods*

EN 1177:2018+AC:2019, *Impact attenuating playground surfacing – Methods of test for determination of impact attenuation*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 14960-1 and the following apply.

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

NOTE In order not to confine the application of this document to those items of equipment currently in use and to allow freedom of design for the manufacture of new equipment, only the fundamental forms of equipment and motion are defined.

3.1

snappy

inflated play structure built into a base inflatable bed, with a hinged inflatable platform which elevates users to a higher platform from which they may exit by a slide, ramp, steps, or other methods

Note 1 to entry: Examples of snappies are shown in Figure 1.