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# Footwear — Critical substances potentially present in footwear and footwear components — Lists of critical chemical substances

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— new Table 1 including a new system of grading;

— withdrawn substances:

  proteins in latex, substances destroying ozone layer, polychlorobiphenyls, polychloroprene, vinyl chloride;

— added substances:

  benzene, bisphenol, NMP, DMAC, phenyl mercury, quinoline, VOC;

— biocides are grouped together (CMK, OIT, OPP, TCMTB);

— Annex A is now in ISO 21061[67];

— Annex B is now Clause 5;

— bibliography, updated.

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# Footwear — Critical substances potentially present in footwear and footwear components — Lists of critical chemical substances



## 1 Scope

This document defines lists of critical chemical substances potentially present in footwear and footwear components.

This document describes the critical chemical substances, their potential risks of nocuousness, in which materials they could be found, and which test method(s) can be used to quantify them.

The test methods listed indicate the state of the art. For some substances, a test method is not available.

This document is applicable to any kind of footwear and footwear components.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

**3.1**
**allergen**
substance that is capable of inducing an allergic reaction

**3.2**
**allergy**
immunologically mediated response to certain specific substances (allergens)

Note 1 to entry: Type-1 allergy (respiratory allergy) is mediated by IgE antibodies, can cause asthma, rhinitis, urticaria. Type-4 allergy (dermal allergy) is mediated by T-cells, can cause dermatitis.

**3.3**
**limit of detection**
value from which a substance is considered as detectable

Note 1 to entry: This means that the signal associated to the substance is three times bigger than the background noise signal. The limit of detection is determined experimentally by the laboratory for each substance.

**3.4**
**critical substances**
chemical substance that can be found in footwear or footwear components and can have an effect on the wearer and/or environmental impact due to its chemical reactivity

Note 1 to entry: The effects caused by critical substances vary. It can be carcinogenic or mutagenic effects, allergy, reaction to toxics, etc.