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Introduction

With the development of society and the improvement of people's living standards, the chemical safety of footwear has widely gained attention. As more critical substance in footwear and footwear components are needed, many chemical test methods for critical substances have been developed.

However, there lacks a unified sample preparation method for chemical tests. Due to the complex materials and structures used in footwear and the different ways in which critical substances exist, the sample taken from footwear is often not sufficiently homogeneous to give a representative test specimen. It is thus very difficult to develop a single technique of sampling that can be used in all circumstances. However, if every material in an article of footwear were tested, it would be a large amount of work and yield a large test fee. As an example, see [Table 1](#), a common article of footwear can cut into over 10 kinds of test specimen when carrying out tests for one chemical. So, a sampling method is needed urgently to provide general rules for preparation of samples, which can reduce and even prevent the inconsistency of sampling procedures between different laboratories and which can provide a guarantee for the stability of test results.

Footwear — Chemical tests — General principles on the preparation of samples

1 Scope

This document specifies a range of procedures for the sample preparation of footwear and footwear components to carry out chemical tests. It further specifies how to designate the samples.

The sampling procedures specified are designed to allow concurrent chemical testing for footwear

This document is applicable to all types of footwear and footwear components.

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.

ISO 4044, *Leather — Chemical tests — Preparation of chemical test samples*

ISO 19952, *Footwear — Vocabulary*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 19952 and the following apply.

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

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
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3.1

component in contact with the skin

component closely in contact with foot or leg skin during wearing

Note 1 to entry: Foot (leg) skin hose includes sock, stocking, tights, etc.

Note 2 to entry: If a footwear has no lining, the inside of upper should be taken as lining and regarded as component in contact with the skin.

EXAMPLE Linings, tongues, insoles and insocks are components in contact with the skin.

3.2

accessory

indispensable visible component that has a technical function in the footwear construction

EXAMPLE Fasteners, zipper, laces.

3.3

decorative attachment

component with no functional property and usually designed for aesthetic purpose

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).