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## Foreword

This document (EN 1501-1:2011+A1:2015) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 183 "Waste management", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by October 2015, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2015.

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This document supersedes A1 EN 1501-1:2011 A1.

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This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

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

A1 EN 1501-1:2011 and EN 1501-5:2011 which covers the requirements for the lifting devices superseded EN 1501-1:1998+A2:2009. A1

The requirements for the lifting devices are covered by EN 1501-5:2011.

The minimum essential criteria are considered to be of primary importance in providing safe, serviceable, economical, and practical rear loaded refuse collection vehicles.

This European Standard is one part of the series of co-ordinated standards of EN 1501 about "Refuse collection vehicles" comprising the following parts:

- *Part 1: Rear loaded refuse collection vehicles*
- *Part 2: Side loaded refuse collection vehicles*
- *Part 3: Front loaded refuse collection vehicles*
- *Part 4: Noise test code for refuse collection vehicles*
- *Part 5: Lifting devices for refuse collection vehicles*

This European Standard is the revision of the first one of the series of standards dealing with specification, design, safety and testing of refuse collection vehicles (RCVs).

A1 Technical changes with respect to the last but one edition, EN 1501-1:1998+A2:2009, addressed: A1

- definitions and requirements for lifting devices deleted (moved and improved in the separate part 5);
- terms and definitions improved, including through detailed drawings, with trilingual glossary deleted;
- references to types A and B standards updated, especially safety categories replaced with performance levels;

- requirements improved for: open and closed systems, guards and protective devices, footboards;
- new requirements for: narrow vehicle, loading edge, remote controls, stability, vibrations, interchangeable body, warning signals;
- table of verification merged with table of hazards;
- items to be described in the information for use manual.

This part 1 of the series of standards shall be enforced at the same time as part 5 of this series whenever the rear loaded RCV is fitted with (a) lifting device(s).

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## Introduction

This European Standard is a type C standard as stated in EN ISO 12100:2010.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations and hazardous events are covered, are indicated in the scope of this European Standard.

The user's attention is drawn to the possibility that for refuse collection vehicles described within EN 1501-1, compliance with this European Standard may require the use of an invention covered by patent rights.

By publication of this part of EN 1501, no position is taken with respect to the validity of this claim or of any patent rights in connection therewith. However, each patent holder listed in this annex has filed with the CEN-European Committee for Standardisation a statement of willingness, to grant a licence under such rights that they hold on reasonable and non-discriminatory terms and conditions to applicants desiring to obtain such a licence.

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When provisions of this type C standard are different from those which are stated in type A or B standards, the provisions of this type C standard take precedence over the provisions of the other standards, for machines that have been designed and built according to the provisions of this type C standard.

While producing this European Standard it was assumed that:

- the guidelines issued by the chassis-cab manufacturer have been taken into account;
- components without specific requirements are designed in accordance with the usual engineering practice and calculation codes, including all failure modes, of sound mechanical and electrical construction and made of materials with adequate strength and of suitable quality;
- components are kept in good repair and working order, so that the required characteristics remain despite wear;
- harmful materials, such as asbestos, are not used as part of the rear loaded RCV;
- only persons who have been appropriately trained will operate the rear loaded RCV.

This European Standard is designed for careful consideration by designers, manufacturers, suppliers and users of rear loaded RCVs.



## 1 Scope

This European Standard applies to rear loaded refuse collection vehicles (RCV), as defined in 3.2.

This European Standard deals with all significant hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to the rear loaded RCV, when it is used as intended and under conditions of misuse which are reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer, throughout its foreseeable lifetime, as defined in Clause 4.

This European Standard is applicable to the design and construction of the rear loaded RCV so as to ensure that it is fit for its function and can be operated, adjusted and maintained during its entire lifetime. It is not applicable to the end of life of the rear loaded RCV.

This part 1 describes and defines the safety requirements of rear loaded RCVs excluding the interface tailgate/discharge door with the lifting device(s) and the lifting device(s) as illustrated in Figure A.1.

Safety requirements for the lifting device(s) and the interface with the tailgate/discharge door are defined in EN 1501-5.

This European Standard is not applicable to:

- operation in severe conditions, e.g. extreme environmental conditions such as:
  - below – 25 °C and above + 40 °C temperatures;
  - tropical environment;
  - wind velocity in excess of 75 km/h;
- contaminating environment;
- corrosive environment;
- operation in potentially explosive atmospheres;
- handling of loads the nature of which could lead to dangerous situations (e.g. hot wastes, acids and bases, radioactive materials, contaminated waste, especially fragile loads, explosives);
- operation on ships.

This European Standard is not applicable to machinery which is manufactured before the date of publication of this document by CEN.

## 2 Normative references

**[A1]** The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies. **[A1]**

EN 349:1993+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Minimum gaps to avoid crushing of parts of the human body*

EN 547-1:1996+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Human body measurements — Part 1: Principles for determining the dimensions required for openings for whole body access into machinery*

EN 547-2:1996+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Human body measurements — Part 2: Principles for determining the dimensions required for access openings*

EN 574:1996+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Two-hand control devices — Functional aspects — Principles for design*

EN 894-1:1997+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Ergonomic requirements for the design of displays and control actuators — Part 1: General principles for human interactions with displays and control actuators*

EN 894-3:2000+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Ergonomic requirements for the design of displays and control actuators — Part 3: Control actuators*

EN 953:1997+A1:2009, *Safety of machinery — Guards — General requirements for the design and construction of fixed and movable guards*

EN 1037:1995+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Prevention of unexpected start-up*

EN 1088:1995+A2:2008, *Safety of machinery — Interlocking devices associated with guards — Principles for design and selection*

EN 1501-4:2007, *Refuse collection vehicles and their associated lifting devices — General requirements and safety requirements — Part 4: Noise test code for refuse collection vehicles*

EN 1501-5:2011, *Refuse collection vehicles and associated lifting devices — General requirements and safety requirements — Part 5: Lifting devices for refuse collection vehicles*

EN 13309:2010, *Construction machinery — Electromagnetic compatibility of machines with internal power supply*

EN 60204-1:2006, *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60204-1:2005, modified)*

EN 60529:1991, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code) (IEC 60529:1989)*

EN 61310-1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Indication, marking and actuation — Part 1: Requirements for visual, acoustic and tactile signals (IEC 61310-1:2007)*

EN ISO 4413:2010, *Hydraulic fluid power — General rules and safety requirements for systems and their components (ISO 4413:2010)*

EN ISO 4414:2010, *Pneumatic fluid power — General rules and safety requirements for systems and their components (ISO 4414)*

EN ISO 7731:2008, *Ergonomics — Danger signals for public and work areas — Auditory danger signals (ISO 7731:2003)*

EN ISO 12100:2010, *Safety of machinery — General principles for design — Risk assessment and risk reduction (ISO 12100:2010)*

EN ISO 13849-1:2008, *Safety of machinery — Safety-related parts of control systems — Part 1: General principles for design (ISO 13849-1:2006)*

EN ISO 13849-2:2008, *Safety of machinery — Safety-related parts of control systems — Part 2: Validation (ISO 13849-2:2003)*

EN ISO 13850:2008, *Safety of machinery — Emergency stop — Principles for design (ISO 13850:2006)*

EN ISO 13855:2010, *Safety of machinery — Positioning of safeguards with respect to the approach speeds of parts of the human body (ISO 13855:2010)*

EN ISO 13857:2008, *Safety of machinery — Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs (ISO 13857:2008)*

ISO 7000:2004, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Index and synopsis*

IEC 60417-DATA BASE, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Part 1: Overview and application*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 12100:2010 and the following apply.

#### 3.1

##### **refuse collection vehicle**

##### **RCV**

vehicle used for the collection and transportation of refuse (e.g. household waste, bulky waste, recyclable materials) based on loading via waste containers or by hand

NOTE It consists of a chassis-cab onto which a bodywork is mounted.

#### 3.2

##### **rear loaded RCV**

RCV, in which refuse is loaded into the body from the rear

#### 3.3

##### **cab**

enclosure mounted on the chassis in front of the bodywork where the operative drives and controls the rear loaded RCV and where other operative(s) can sit

#### 3.4

##### **bodywork**

assembly of all components fitted on the chassis-cab of the refuse collection vehicle which includes the body

NOTE The bodywork can be fixed or interchangeable. The bodywork also includes either a compaction mechanism, a lifting device or (a) footboard(s) or any combination of the three.

#### 3.5

##### **body**

part of the bodywork in which the collected waste is transported

NOTE 1 See 3 in Figure A.1 and in 1 Figure A.2.

NOTE 2 To discharge the collected waste, the body is either tilted or rotated, or an ejection system is used (see 3.17).

#### 3.6

##### **capacity of the rear loaded RCV**

internal volume available for waste, measured in cubic metres rounded off to one decimal place

NOTE See V1 in Figure A.2.

#### 3.7

##### **tailgate**

rear part of the bodywork connected to the body incorporating a compaction mechanism. It is designed to be opened to discharge the collected waste from the body