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## Foreword

This document (EN 14591-4:2007) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 305 "Potentially explosive atmospheres - Explosion prevention and protection", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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EN 14591-4, *Explosion prevention and protection in underground mines — Protective systems — Part 4: Automatic extinguishing systems for road headers*

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## 1 Scope

This document lays down requirements for automatic explosion extinguishing systems for roadheader machines (selective cut heading machines) in roadheader drivages where these systems automatically detect the initial phase of a firedamp explosion which has been initiated by the cutter head of a roadheader machine and extinguish it at the roadhead in such a way that the roadway drive team is not put at risk.

This document does not lay down any requirements for the fighting of fires at the roadhead.

The automatic explosion extinguishing system for roadheaders is an autonomous protective system designed in accordance with Directive 94/9/EC.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 1127-2:2002, *Explosive atmospheres — Explosion prevention and protection — Basic concepts and methodology for mining*

EN 10025 (all Parts), *Hot rolled products of structural steels*

EN 10204, *Metallic products — Types of inspection documents*

EN 13237:2003, *Potentially explosive atmospheres — Terms and definitions for equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres*

EN 13463-1, *Non-electrical equipment for potentially explosive atmospheres — Part 1: Basic method and requirements*

EN 60068-2-6, *Environmental testing — Part 2: Tests — Tests Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)* (IEC 60068-2-6:1995 + Corrigendum 1995)

EN 60079-0, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres — Part 0: General requirements* (IEC 60079-0:2004, modified)

EN 61000-6-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 6-2 Generic standards — Emission standard for residential, commercial and light-industrial environments* (IEC 61000-6-2:2005)

EN 61000-6-4, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 6-4: Generic standards — Emission standard for industrial environments* (IEC 61000-6-4:1997, modified)

EN 61508-1, *Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems — Part 1: General requirements* (IEC 61508-1:1998 + Corrigendum 1999)

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 1127-2:2002, EN 13237:2003 and the following apply.

**3.1**  
**automatic explosion extinguishing system**  
assembly of equipment for the automatic detection of the beginning of an explosion and initiation of the discharge of the extinguishing agent in order, in this way, to limit the destructive effects of the explosion