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Persönliche Schutzausrüstung gegen Absturz - Auffanggurte

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## Foreword

This document EN 361:2002 has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 160 "Protection against falls from a height including working belts", 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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by November 2002, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by November 2002.

This document supersedes EN 361:1992. This new edition contains the old text of the standard and incorporates some urgent amendments that are intended to give additional information and clarify inconsistencies. A comprehensive revision of the standard will follow at a later stage.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the requirements, test methods, marking, information supplied by the manufacturer and packaging for full body harnesses. Other types of body support, specified in other European Standards, e. g. EN 358, EN 813 or EN 1497, may be incorporated into the full body harness. Fall arrest systems are specified in EN 363.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 358, *Personal protective equipment for work positioning and prevention of falls from a height – Belts for work positioning and restraint and work positioning lanyards.*

EN 362:1992, *Personal protective equipment against falls from a height – Connectors.*

EN 363:2002, *Personal protective equipment against falls from a height - Fall arrest systems.*

EN 364:1992, *Personal protective equipment against falls from a height - Test methods.*

EN 365:1992, *Personal protective equipment against falls from a height - General requirements for instructions for use and for marking.*

EN 813, *Personal protective equipment for prevention of falls from a height – Sit harnesses.*

EN 892, *Mountaineering equipment - Dynamic mountaineering ropes - Safety requirements and test methods.*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **full body harness**

body support primarily for fall arrest purposes, i.e. a component of a fall arrest system. The full body harness may comprise straps, fittings, buckles or other elements, suitably arranged and assembled to support the whole body of a person and to restrain the wearer during a fall and after the arrest of a fall [EN 363].

### 3.2

#### **primary straps/secondary straps**

primary straps are those straps of a full body harness which are intended by the manufacturer to support the body or exert pressure on the body during the fall of a person and after the arrest of the fall. The other straps are secondary straps

### 3.3

#### **attachment element**

specific connecting point for components or sub-systems