
**Personal protective equipment —
Footwear protecting against risks in
foundries and welding —**

**Part 2:
Requirements and test methods for
protection against risks in welding
and allied processes**

*Équipement de protection individuelle — Chaussures de protection
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*Partie 2: Exigences et méthodes d'essai pour la protection contre les
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1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for footwear protecting users against risks, such as those encountered in welding and allied process.

Footwear complying with this document also offers other protection as defined in ISO 20345.

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 20344:2011, *Personal protective equipment — Test methods for footwear*

ISO 20345:2011, *Personal protective equipment — Safety footwear*

EN 348, *Protective clothing — Determination of behaviour of materials on impact of small splashes of molten metal*

EN 15090:2012, *Foot wear for firefighters*

EN 50321:1999, *Electrical insulating foot wear for working on low voltage installations*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 20345 apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

4 Classifications of footwear

Footwear shall be class I or class II as defined in [Table 1](#).