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**Protective clothing for firefighters - Requirements and test
methods for fire hoods for firefighters**

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protection contre le feu pour sapeurs-pompiers

Schutzkleidung für die Feuerwehr - Anforderungen
und Prüfverfahren für Feuerschutzhauben für die
Feuerwehr

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European foreword

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Introduction

This document specifies the minimum safety requirements and test methods for a firehood worn by a firefighter following a user risk assessment. When worn with protective clothing, breathing apparatus and helmet, the design features and performance requirements of the firehood are intended to provide protection to the exposed areas of the head and neck against heat and flame.

Firehoods can be used in different end uses, both over and underneath the facemask and with different shapes of helmets. It is the user's responsibility to choose the right firehood appropriate to the garment, helmet, and facemask.

1 Scope

This document specifies minimum safety requirements and test methods for a firehood to be worn during firefighting operations to protect against heat and fire.

This document has two optional requirements: firehoods can be either with a ventilation window for comfort, or a barrier for protection against particulate contaminants, or both.

This document applies in situations when protective clothing (e.g. EN 469, EN ISO 15384), respiratory protection devices (e.g. EN 136 and EN 137), and helmet (e.g. EN 443, EN 16471) are also worn.

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.

EN 136:1998,¹ *Respiratory protective devices — Full face masks — Requirements, testing, marking*

EN 137:2006, *Respiratory protective devices — Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask — Requirements, testing, marking*

EN 168:2001, *Personal eye-protection — Non-optical test methods*

EN ISO 3146:2022, *Plastics — Determination of melting behaviour (melting temperature or melting range) of semi-crystalline polymers by capillary tube and polarizing-microscope methods (ISO 3146:2022)*

EN ISO 5077:2008, *Textiles — Determination of dimensional change in washing and drying (ISO 5077:2007)*

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EN ISO 14116:2015, *Protective clothing — Protection against flame — Limited flame spread materials, material assemblies and clothing (ISO 14116:2015)*

EN ISO 15025:2016, *Protective clothing — Protection against flame — Method of test for limited flame spread (ISO 15025:2016)*

ISO 8559-1:2017, *Size designation of clothes — Part 1: Anthropometric definitions for body measurement*

ISO 11610:2023, *Protective clothing — Vocabulary*

¹ As impacted by EN 136:1998/AC:2003.