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## Foreword

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This document was prepared by the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) Technical Committee CEN/TC 162, *Protective clothing including hand and arm protection and lifejackets*, in collaboration with ISO Technical Committee TC 94, *Personal safety — Personal protective equipment*, Subcommittee SC 13, *Protective clothing*, in accordance with the agreement on technical cooperation between ISO and CEN (Vienna Agreement).

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 11393-5:2001), which has been technically revised. The whole document and the Scope have been revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- in the Introduction, the term “hand-held chainsaws primarily constructed for cutting wood” has been added;
- the normative references have been updated;
- terms and definitions have been added;
- a conjunction of the gaiter to a defined boot for test purposes has become mandatory;
- requirements and test methods for ergonomic properties, twisting resistance, the strength of the attachment system and innocuousness have been added;
- requirements for protective coverage have been changed;
- class 0 has been deleted from the requirements to cut resistance;
- the pre-treatment procedure has been revised.

A list of all parts in the ISO 11393 series can be found on the ISO website.

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## Introduction

This document forms part of a series concerned with personal protective equipment (PPE) designed to protect against the risks arising from the use of hand-held chainsaws primarily constructed for cutting wood.

No PPE can ensure a 100 % protection against cutting from a hand-held chainsaw. Nevertheless, experience has shown that it is possible to design PPE that offers a certain degree of protection.

Different functional principles may be applied in order to give protection. These include:

- a) chain slipping: on contact the chain does not cut the material;
- b) clogging: fibres are drawn by the chain into the drive sprocket and block chain movement;
- c) chain braking: fibres have a high resistance to cutting and absorb rotational energy, thereby reducing the chain speed.

Often more than one principle is applied.



# Protective clothing for users of hand-held chainsaws —

## Part 5: Performance requirements and test methods for protective gaiters

### 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for assessing the resistance to cutting of gaiters by hand-held chainsaws and other properties. It includes a requirement and a test method for assessing the strength of underfoot straps of gaiters.

This document is applicable to gaiters used in conjunction with safety footwear with a steel toecap conforming to ISO 20345 design “C” or “D”. These gaiters are designed to be used only in association with a defined model of footwear and tested together.

NOTE These products are intended, but are not limited, to be used in combination with a defined model of orthopaedic footwear.

This document does not apply to gaiters intended for use in situations where there is a significant risk of tripping, such as tree climbing or in forests.

### 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 7000, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment — Registered symbols*

ISO 11393-1, *Protective clothing for users of hand-held chainsaws — Part 1: Test rig driven by a flywheel for testing resistance to cutting by a chainsaw*

ISO 11393-2:2018, *Protective clothing for users of hand-held chainsaws — Part 2: Performance requirements and test methods for leg protectors*

ISO 11393-3:2018, *Protective clothing for users of hand-held chainsaws — Part 3: Test methods for footwear*

ISO 13688:2013, *Protective clothing — General requirements*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

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

#### 3.1

##### **attachment system**

system comprised of an underfoot strap and closing mechanism