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European foreword

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For relationship with EU Directive 2009/48/EC, see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

The significant changes from the previous edition of this standard are detailed in Annex A.

A1 This document constitutes the third part of the EN 71 series of standards on safety of toys. A1

EN 71, *Safety of toys*, consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties;*
- *Part 2: Flammability;*
- *Part 3: Migration of certain elements (this document);*
- *Part 4: Experimental sets for chemistry and related activities;*
- *Part 5: Chemical toys (sets) other than experimental sets;*
- *Part 7: Finger paints — Requirements and test methods;*
- *Part 8: Activity toys for domestic use;*
- *Part 9: Organic chemical compounds — Requirements;*
- *Part 10: Organic chemical compounds — Sample preparation and extraction;*
- *Part 11: Organic chemical compounds — Methods of analysis;*
- *Part 12: N-Nitrosamines and N-nitrosatable substances;*
- *Part 13: Olfactory board games, cosmetic kits and gustative games;*

— *Part 14: Trampolines for domestic use.*

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A1 NOTE 1 In addition to the above parts of EN 71, the following technical reports have been published:

- CEN/TR 15071, *Safety of toys — National translations of warnings and instructions for use in EN 71 series*;
- CEN/TR 15371 (parts 1 and 2), *Safety of toys — Interpretations*;
- CEN/TR 16918, *Safety of toys — Children's mouthing behaviour in contact with toys*;
- CEN ISO/TR 8124-8, *Safety of toys — Age determination guidelines*. **A1**

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Introduction

The Toy Safety Directive (2009/48/EC) [1] specifies maximum migration limits for three categories of *toy materials*. Certain limit values have been amended (see [4, 5, 6, 7]). The limits for the migration of certain elements are expressed in milligram per kilogram *toy material* and are detailed in Table 2. The purpose of the limits is to minimize children's exposure to certain potentially toxic elements.

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for the migration of aluminium, antimony, arsenic, barium, boron, cadmium, Chromium (III), Chromium (VI), cobalt, copper, lead, manganese, mercury, nickel, selenium, strontium, tin, organic tin and zinc from *toy materials* and from parts of toys.

Packaging materials are not considered to be part of the toy unless they have intended play value.

NOTE 1 See the European Commission guidance document no. 12 on the application of the Directive on the safety of toys – packaging [2].

The standard contains requirements for the migration of certain elements from the following categories of *toy materials*:

- Category I: Dry, brittle, powder like or pliable materials;
- Category II: Liquid or sticky materials;
- Category III: Scraped-off materials.

The requirements of this document do not apply to toys or parts of toys which, due to their accessibility, function, volume or mass, clearly exclude any hazard due to sucking, licking or swallowing or prolonged skin contact when the toy or part of toy is used as intended or in a foreseeable way, bearing in mind the behaviour of children.

NOTE 2 For the purposes of this document, for the following toys and parts of toys the likelihood of sucking, licking or swallowing toys is considered significant (see H.2 and H.3):

- All toys intended to be put in the mouth or to the mouth, cosmetics toys and writing instruments categorized as toys can be considered to be sucked, licked or swallowed;
- All the accessible parts and components of toys intended for children up to 6 years of age can be considered to come into contact with the mouth. The likelihood of mouth contact with parts of toys intended for older children is not considered significant in most cases (see H.2).

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 71-1:2014+A1:2018, *Safety of toys — Part 1: Mechanical and physical properties*

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:

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

3.1

base material

material upon which *coatings* can be formed or deposited