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**Cycles — Safety requirements for  
bicycles —**

**Part 1:  
Vocabulary**

*Cycles — Exigences de sécurité pour les bicyclettes —  
Partie 1: Vocabulaire*





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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 4210-1:2014), which has been technically revised, in collaboration with the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) Technical Committee CEN/TC 333, *Cycles*, in accordance with the Agreement on technical cooperation between ISO and CEN (Vienna Agreement).

The main changes are as follows:

- the configuration of [Clause 3](#) was systematically changed;
- some corrections according to ISO/IEC Directives Part 2 were done;
- the definitions of "racing bicycle" and "crank assembly" were modified;
- the following terms and definitions: "handlebar grips portion", "rigid, non-welded fork", "sag", "wheel and tyre assembly", "crank assembly", "dropper seat-post", "seat mast cap" and "suspension dropper seat-post" were added.

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Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at [www.iso.org/members.html](http://www.iso.org/members.html).

## Introduction

This document has been developed in response to demand throughout the world, and the aim has been to ensure that bicycles manufactured in conformity with this document will be as safe as is practically possible. The tests have been designed to ensure the strength and durability of individual parts as well as of the bicycle as a whole, demanding high quality throughout and consideration of safety aspects from the design stage onwards.

The scope has been limited to safety considerations and has specifically avoided standardization of components.

If the bicycle should be used on public roads, national regulations apply.

# Cycles — Safety requirements for bicycles —

## Part 1: Vocabulary

### 1 Scope

This document specifies terms and definitions related to safety and performance requirements for the design, assembly, and testing of bicycles and sub-assemblies having maximum saddle height 635 mm or more.

This document does not apply to specialized types of bicycle such as delivery bicycles, recumbent bicycles, tandems, BMX bicycles, and bicycles designed and equipped for use in severe applications such as sanctioned competition events, stunting, or aerobatic manoeuvres.

NOTE For bicycles with a maximum saddle height of 435 mm or less, see national regulations for ride-on toys, and with a maximum saddle height of more than 435 mm and less than 635 mm, see ISO 8098<sup>[1]</sup>.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 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 <https://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1 Bicycle type

##### 3.1.1

##### **bicycle**

two-wheeled vehicle that is propelled solely or mainly by the muscular energy of the person on that vehicle, in particular by means of pedals

##### 3.1.2

##### **city and trekking bicycle**

*bicycle* (3.1.1) designed for use on *public roads* (3.3.3) primarily for means of transportation or leisure

##### 3.1.3

##### **delivery bicycle**

*bicycle* (3.1.1) designed for the primary purpose of carrying goods

##### 3.1.4

##### **folding bicycle**

*bicycle* (3.1.1) designed to fold into a compact form, facilitating transport and storage