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Part 2: Description of lower limb prosthetic
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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 168, *Prostheses and orthotics*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13405-2:1996), which has been technically revised.

The major technical changes are the following:

- a) classification tree for lower limb prosthetic components added in [Clause 5](#);
- b) levels of amputation extended to include all partial foot levels;
- c) methods of socket suspension extended;
- d) classification tree for functional components added in [Clause 6](#);
- e) range of types of ankle foot units, knee units, hip units, and external (side) joints extended;
- f) load attenuators and turntables added to [Clause 6](#).

ISO 13405 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Prosthetics and orthotics — Classification and description of prosthetic components*:

- *Part 1: Classification of prosthetic components*
- *Part 2: Description of lower limb prosthetic components*
- *Part 3: Description of upper limb prosthetic components*

Introduction

This part of ISO 13405 was the first internationally accepted standard method to describe the components of lower limb prostheses. It is designed to permit users to describe systematically each component which is incorporated in a finished prosthesis in a manner which clearly explains its principal characteristics. It is envisaged as being suitable for use by both manufacturers producing literature describing their products and practitioners who are reporting on the components used in the treatment of persons requiring prosthesis.

Prosthetic technology has made considerable advances since the publication of this part of ISO 13405. This first revision is designed to include the new types of components which have come into use during this period.

Manufacturers' trade names and details of the materials and manufacturing methods employed have been avoided.

Prosthetics and orthotics — Classification and description of prosthetic components —

Part 2:

Description of lower limb prosthetic components

1 Scope

This part of ISO 13405 specifies a method for describing lower limb prosthetic components.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 8549-1, *Prosthetics and orthotics — Vocabulary — Part 1: General terms for external limb prostheses and external orthoses*

ISO 8549-2, *Prosthetics and orthotics — Vocabulary — Part 2: Terms relating to external limb prostheses and wearers of these prostheses*

ISO 8549-4:2014, *Prosthetics and orthotics — Vocabulary — Part 4: Terms relating to limb amputation*

ISO 13405-1:2014, *Prosthetics and orthotics — Classification and description of prosthetic components — Part 1: Classification of prosthetic components*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 8549-1, ISO 8549-2, and the following apply.

3.1

jointed ankle-foot unit

ankle-foot unit where motion(s) is (are) obtained by rotation at a joint(s) within the unit

3.2

unjointed ankle-foot unit

ankle-foot unit where motion(s) is (are) obtained by deformation of a part(s) of the unit

4 Classification and description

The components of lower limb prostheses include five classes identified in ISO 13405-1:2014, 3.1 shown in [Figures 1](#) and [2](#) and described in [Clauses 5](#) to [9](#).