

EN 71-2:2020 Safety of Toys – Part 2: Flammability Published



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EN 71-2:2020 Safety of toys – Part 2: Flammability has been published by CEN, which supersedes the previous version EN 71-2:2011 + A1:2014.



This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2021, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 2021.

Scope:

Apply to all toys and with specific requirements and methods of test relating to the following toys, which are considered as being those presenting the greatest hazard:

- Toys to be worn on the head: beards, moustaches, wigs, etc. made from pile or flowing elements; masks; hoods, headdresses, etc.; However, paper and paperboard hats without embellishments or attachments are excluded;
- Toy disguise costumes and toys intended to be worn by a child in play;
- Toys intended to be entered by a child and constructed from textiles and/or polymer sheets and films;
- Soft-filled toys.

Major changes:

- Several new definitions added, including toy disguise costume, toy intended to be entered by a child etc.
- Added new requirements for toy disguise costumes to be tested before and after washing even if instructions state not to wash.
- Fully revised to increase testing of smaller specimens by allowing combined specimens or half-sized specimens and narrow materials as well as specifying testing of fillings, trims and embellishments.
- Inclusion of soft-filled parts of disguise costumes if they contain loose filling which would otherwise fall out during testing under the test method of soft-filled toys.
- Test categories applicable to different types of toys to be worn on the head has been better clarified by including the guidance table from CEN/TR 15371-1 to Annex A.
- 2 new Annex, A.8 & A.9 have been added to provide suggestion for manufacturers of toy disguise costumes on how to reduce rate of spread of flame, and have added flow diagrams to aid clarification on how to obtain test specimens from toy disguise costumes.

It is expected that EN71-2:2020 will soon be listed in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) to replace EN 71-2:2011+ A1:2014, which is currently still the harmonized standard for demonstrating compliance with the Toys Directive 2009/48/EC.

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