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## Introduction

This family of documents was developed in response to the worldwide stakeholders' demand for minimum requirements and test methods for eye and face protectors traded internationally. ISO 4007 gives the terms and definitions for all the various product types. The test methods are in the ISO 18526 series, while the requirements for occupational eye and face protectors are in the ISO 16321 series. Eye protection for specific sports is mostly dealt with by the ISO 18527 series. A guidance document, ISO 19734<sup>1)</sup>, for the selection, use and maintenance of eye and face protectors is in preparation.

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# Eye and face protection — Test methods —

## Part 3: Physical and mechanical properties

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the reference test methods for determining the physical and mechanical properties of eye and face protectors.

This document does not apply to any eye and face protection products for which the requirements standard(s) specifies other test methods.

Other test methods can be used if shown to be equivalent and include uncertainties of measurement no greater than those required of the reference method.

### 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 48-2, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of hardness — Part 2: Hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD*

ISO 4007, *Personal protective equipment — Eye and face protection — Vocabulary*

ISO 18526-2:2020, *Eye and face protection — Test methods — Part 2: Physical optical properties*

ISO 18526-4, *Eye and face protection — Test methods — Part 4: Headforms*

ISO 18527-2, *Eye and face protection for sports use — Part 2: Requirements for eye protectors for Squash and eye protectors for Racquetball and Squash 57*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 4007 apply.

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

### 4 Preparatory information

Before testing, refer to the product's requirement standard for the information needed to apply the tests in this document, for example:

- the number of test samples<sup>2)</sup>;

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2) For the purpose of this document, "test sample" is taken to be the object under test, e.g. "lens", "filter", or "complete protector" as specified in the product's requirements standard.