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## Foreword

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This corrected version of ISO 22568:2019 incorporates the following correction:

- In [5.3.2](#), the last three paragraphs have been added.

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## Introduction

ISO 20345, ISO 20346 and ISO 20347<sup>[2]</sup> are related to safety, protective and occupational footwear which define the performance and required properties of the footwear. On introducing these standards all national standards relating to safety toecaps were withdrawn leaving the manufacturers of these items with no means of demonstrating the performance of their products. This document has been prepared to allow manufacturers to demonstrate the performance level of the toecaps before being inserted into the footwear.

Metallic toecaps complying with the requirements of this document are suitable components of "PPE footwear".

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## Part 1: Metallic toecaps

### 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for metallic toecaps, intended to function as components of PPE footwear (e.g. as described by ISO 20345 and ISO 20346).

### 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 20345, *Personal protective equipment — Safety footwear*

ISO 20346, *Personal protective equipment — Protective footwear*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 20345, ISO 20346 and the following 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 <http://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1

##### **internal metallic toecap**

metallic toecap intended to be incorporated underneath the upper of footwear intended to provide protection against mechanical impact and compression

Note 1 to entry: External toecaps were used in the past, they are not used anymore and they are not covered by the present document.

### 4 Requirements for metallic toecaps

#### 4.1 General

This document defines two types of metallic toecaps (type A and type B) to cover the various types of footwear constructions.

For each of the required measurements performed in accordance with this document, a corresponding estimate of the uncertainty of measurement should be evaluated. One of the following approaches should be used:

- statistical method, e.g. that given in ISO 5725-2<sup>[1]</sup>;