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Table ZA.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex II of Regulation (EU) 2016/425

Essential Requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/425	Clause(s)/subclause(s) of this EN	Remarks/Notes
1.1.1. Ergonomics	4.2	
1.1.2.1. Optimum level of protection	4.2	
1.2.1. Absence of inherent risks and other nuisance factors	4.2, 4.3.1	
1.2.1.1. Suitable constituent materials	4.3.1	
1.2.1.2. Satisfactory surface condition of all PPE parts in contact with the user	4.3.2.1	
1.2.1.3. Maximum permissible user impediment	4.3.2.2.2	
1.3.1. Adaptation of PPE to user morphology	4.2	
1.4. Manufacturer's instructions and information	7, 8	
2.1. PPE incorporating adjustment systems		Not covered in this part
2.2. PPE enclosing the parts of the body to be protected		Not covered in this part
2.3. PPE for the face, eyes and respiratory system	4.8, 4.9	
2.4. PPE subject to ageing	7, 8	
2.8. PPE for intervention in very dangerous situations	4.3.2.2.3, 8	
2.12 PPE bearing one or more identification or recognition marks directly or indirectly relating to health and safety	4.4, 7	

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Essential Requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/425	Clause(s)/subclause(s) of this EN	Remarks/Notes
3.1.1. Impact caused by falling or ejected objects and collisions of parts of the body with an obstacle	4.7	

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The main changes are as follows:

- [Clause 3](#) has been edited and re-ordered and new definitions have been added;
- [Clause 4](#) has been revised;
- [Clause 5](#) has been revised and clarified to reflect the changes in Clause 4;
- [Clause 7](#) has been revised to include Ice Hockey designation;
- [Clause 8](#) has been expanded to provide more information regarding assembly and use;
- [Table 2](#) has been expanded and [Table 3](#) has been added, to include the protocol and sequencing of all tests for the eye and face protectors;
- [Figures 1, 2, 4, 6](#) and [7](#) have been revised for clarity and [Figures 9](#) and [10](#) have been added.

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Ice hockey is a high-speed, collision sport in which there is a risk of injury. By playing this sport, participants accept the risk of serious injury, paralysis, or death.

The intention of eye and face protectors is to reduce the frequency and severity of localized injuries to the eyes and face.

Protectors can consist of eye or face protectors worn in conjunction with an ice hockey head protector.

Two types of face protector and one type of eye protector are designated.

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Part 3: Face and eye protectors for skaters

1 Scope

This document specifies performance requirements and test methods for eye and face protectors for use in ice hockey only.

This document is applicable to eye and face protectors worn by ice hockey players other than goalkeepers and by referees.

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 10256-1:2024, *Protective equipment for use in ice hockey — Part 1: General requirements*

ISO 10256-2:2024, *Protective equipment for use in ice hockey — Part 2: Head protectors for skaters*

EN 960:2006, *Headforms for use in the testing of protective helmets*

ISO 13468-2:2021, *Plastics — Determination of the total luminous transmittance of transparent materials*

ISO 14782:2021, *Plastics — Determination of haze for transparent materials*

CSA Z262.6-14, *Specifications for facially featured headforms*

ASTM D 2240-15, *Test Method for Rubber Property—Durometer Hardness*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10256-1:2024 and the following apply.

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

eye protector

visor

device intended to reduce the risk of injury to the eyes of ice hockey participants

3.2

face protector

device intended to reduce the risk of injury to the eyes and face of ice hockey participants