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- Part 1: Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties
- Part 2: Flammability
- Part 3: Migration of certain elements
- Part 4: Swings, slides and similar activity toys for indoor and outdoor family domestic use
- Part 6: Toys and children's products Determination of certain phthalate esters in toys and children's products

The following parts are under preparation:

- Part 5: Determination of total concentration of certain elements in toys
- Part 7: Finger paints Requirements and test methods
- Part 8: Age determination guidelines

Introduction

This part of ISO 8124 is largely based upon the existing Chinese national standard GB/T 22048-2008. Relevant standards of some countries and regions are referred to as well.

Considering the diversity of laws and regulations in different countries, this International Standard has not set out limits for phthalate esters. It is intended to be used as a method standard in conformity assessment. The user of this part of ISO 8124 is therefore advised to be aware of relevant national requirements.

Whereas in some countries, phthalate ester requirements for toys are also applicable to children products and whereas children product materials are generally similar to those of toys, this part of ISO 8124 whose scope covers various materials can be applicable to both toys and children products.

Annex A is normative and Annex B, Annex C, Annex D, Annex E, and Annex F are for information purposes only, but they are crucial and helpful for the correct interpretation of this part of ISO 8124.