

Draft prEN 13613 for Safety Requirements of Skateboards

The European Standard **EN 13613** addressing the **Skateboards** safety is undergoing the revision by the CEN Technical Committee CEN/TC 136 "Sports, playground and other recreational equipment". A draft revision **prEN 13613 "Roller sports equipment – Skateboards – Safety requirements and test methods"** was published on 5 September 2007 and closed for public comments by 31 December, 2007. Once the new revision is approved, it will supersede the **EN 13613:2001**.



The major differences between this draft (**prEN 13613**) and **EN 13613:2001** are summarized as follows:

Clause (prEN 13613)	Major Differences
1 Scope	Add "This standard does not apply to individual components. "
3.1 Definition – Skateboard	Revise to " Fully assembled and useable sports equipment consisting of one deck on two trucks and wheels on which the rider may propel him/herself and which can be steered by shifting his/her body mass. "
5.2 Requirements	Revise clause 5.2.1 to "There shall be no projections above the upper surface of the deck. The complete upper surface of the deck shall be equipped within anti-slide surface. "
6.7 Endurance test	Revise clause 6.7.2 for the circumferential speed of the drum from 0.5 m/s to 1.8 km/s .
6.10 Impact test	Revise clause 6.10.2 a) such that skateboard is accelerated in a controlled fashion from "up to 5 m/s" to " up to 18 km/h ".
8.4 Skateboards safety code	Revise the warning statement to " WARNING – Skateboarding may be dangerous. "

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