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## European foreword

This document (EN 1176-6:2017) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 136 “Sports, playground and other recreational facilities and equipment”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2018, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2018.

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This European Standard EN 1176 “Playground equipment and surfacing” consists of a number of parts as follows:

- *Part 1: General safety requirements and test methods*
- *Part 2: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for swings*
- *Part 3: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for slides*
- *Part 4: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for cableways*
- *Part 5: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for carousels*
- *Part 6: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for rocking equipment*
- *Part 7: Guidance on installation, inspection, maintenance and operation*
- *Part 10: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for fully enclosed play equipment*
- *Part 11: Additional specific safety requirements and test methods for spatial network*

This part of EN 1176 is to be used in conjunction with EN 1176-1, EN 1176-7 and EN 1177.

For inflatable play equipment see EN 14960, *Inflatable play equipment — Safety requirements and test methods*.

The principal changes from the previous edition of this part of EN 1176 are as follows:

- a) type 2, 3 and 4 is not classified as a forced movement equipment;
- b) rocking equipment provided for standing use the falling space shall be at least 1,5 m.

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### 1 Scope

This document is applicable to rocking equipment which is used as playground equipment for children, as defined in 3.1. Where the main play function is not rocking, the relevant requirements in this document may be used, as appropriate.

This document specifies additional safety requirements and test methods for seesaws and rocking equipment intended for permanent installation for use by children.

It is intended to provide protection to the user against possible hazards during use.

NOTE Guidance for assessing the safety of other forms of seesaw/rocking equipment is given in informative Annex A.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 1176-1:2017, *Playground equipment and surfacing — Part 1: General safety requirements and test methods*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 1176-1 and the following apply.

#### 3.1

##### **rocking equipment**

**seesaw** (hereinafter referred to as equipment)

equipment that can be set in motion by the user and is generally characterized by a rigid element that rocks about a central support

Note 1 to entry: The equipment can have one or several seats or stands.

Note 2 to entry: Figure 1a) shows the principle components for rocking equipment. Figure 1b) shows the principle components for seesaws.

Note 3 to entry: The seesaw/rocking movement depends on the type and configuration of fixture (see Figures 2 to 7).



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