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European foreword

This document (EN 15494:2019) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 369 “Candle fire safety”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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EN 15494:2019 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to EN 15494:2007:

- a) terms and definitions have been inserted;
- b) the purpose and layout of product safety labels have been explained in much more detail;
- c) part of the supplementary safety information has been modified to improve consumer comprehensibility and additional supplementary safety information has been introduced;
- d) a clear allocation of which supplementary safety information is mandatory or appropriate for which type of candle, based on a risk assessment, has been made;
- e) a minimum height of the supplementary safety symbols has been fixed;
- f) options for candles with a limited space for the label have been introduced;
- g) the option to provide safety information with an instruction leaflet has been removed;
- h) the examples of product safety labels layout on candle fire safety have been improved and complemented.

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Introduction

Candles have accompanied mankind for more than 2 000 years serving, above all, as a light source. Closely connected to the development history of the candle are the efforts made to improve its quality and its safety in use. Discussions in the past and present over possible self-forming, harmful emissions and fires caused by unsafe candles and/or inappropriate use during the burning of candles have led to consumers concern for these issues.

Most fire damage caused by candles can be attributed to improper use by the consumer. The fire risk of the candle due to inappropriate use can be minimized by suitable safety information for the consumer. This information will be easily and non-verbally comprehensible.

1 Scope

This document specifies safety information for burning indoor candles and includes requirements on how safety information will be displayed.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1

candle

one or more combustible wicks supported by a material that constitutes a fuel, which is solid or semisolid at room temperature (20 °C to 27 °C) with the main function of sustaining a light-producing flame, including any coatings on and articles or substances in the fuel

[SOURCE: EN 15426:2018, 3.2]

3.2

container candle

candle that is produced and used in the same container

Note 1 to entry: This definition includes tea lights.

[SOURCE: EN 15426:2018, 3.3]

3.3

floating candle

candle intended and designed for use in a suitable bowl or container filled with water

[SOURCE: EN 15426:2018, 3.8]

3.4

indoor candle

candle intended and designed for use inside a house or a building with typical indoor conditions concerning ventilation, draught and temperature

NOTE 1 to entry: An outdoor candle is a candle intended and designed to be used outside buildings in the open air.

[SOURCE: EN 15426:2018, 3.5]

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