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Foreword

This document (EN 14183:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 93, "Ladders", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the requirements for step stools, stairtype steps and dometype steps stools. This includes design characteristics, dimensions, materials, performance requirements, test methods and the declaration of suitability of use. The standard excludes ladders and stepladders as defined by EN 131-1:1993.

The requirements are based upon the maximum total load of 150 kg.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 719, *Welding coordination — Tasks and responsibilities*.

EN 729-1, *Quality requirements for welding — Fusion welding of metallic materials — Part 1: Guidelines for selection and use*.

EN 729-2, *Quality requirements for welding — Fusion welding of metallic materials — Part 2: Comprehensive quality requirements*.

EN 729-3, *Quality requirements for welding — Fusion welding of metallic materials — Part 3: Standard quality requirements*.

EN 729-4, *Quality requirements for welding — Fusion welding of metallic materials — Part 4: Elementary quality requirements*.

EN 12526, *Castors and wheels — Vocabulary, recommended symbols and multilingual dictionary*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms and definitions given in EN 12526 for castors and wheels and the following apply.

3.1

step stool

stool with a seat or platform designed for sitting and standing on which also incorporates one or more steps

3.2

stair type steps

structure with deep steps and shallow climbing angle

3.3

dome type step stool

structure ascendable from two or more sides with a platform and with or without an intermediate step

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