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Introduction

Visual inspection is important for manufacturers, suppliers, inspection organizations and costumers as one of the quality indicators of footwear products. This document is not only intended as a basis for assessing footwear appearance defects but also as a reference material and training material for the footwear industry.

The presence of one of these defects in footwear does not automatically imply that the footwear is substandard. Suppliers and purchasers can still reach an agreement on the scope and level of acceptance for defects in the goods, based on the intended use of the footwear.

Due to the development of material and technology in the footwear industry, as well as insufficient photographic resources, it is impossible to define all terms for identification of defects during visual inspection of footwear. The list of terms given in this document is not exhaustive.

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1 Scope

This document defines the most common terms related to defects that occur in the manufacture, storage and usage of footwear and that can be determined during visual inspection of the end product.

NOTE The photos are given as examples and do not represent all possible instances.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1 General defects

Term and definition	Examples
3.1.1 **colour variation** obvious difference in colour that can be seen in the same area within a pair, or in one component part or in the adjacent areas of one item of footwear Note 1 to entry: Intentional designs are not included.	
3.1.2 **damaged shoe** footwear that has changed in appearance due to careless operation that adversely affects its performance	

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