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## Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 148 "Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by July 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by July 2000.

This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this standard.

According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to implement this European Standard: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

This standard forms part of a series of five standards the titles of which are given below :

EN 617, *Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety requirements for equipment for the storage of bulk materials in silos, bunkers, bins and hoppers.*

EN 618, *Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety requirements for equipment for mechanical handling of bulk material except fixed belt conveyors.*

EN 619, *Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety requirements for equipment for mechanical handling of units loads.*

EN 620, *Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety requirements for fixed belt conveyors for bulk materials.*

EN 741, *Continuous handling equipment and systems - Safety requirements for systems and their components for pneumatic handling of bulk materials.*

In this standard Annex A is normative, Annexes B, C and Z are informative.

## Introduction

This European standard is a type C standard as defined in EN 292-1.

When provisions of this type C standard are different from those which are stated in type A or B standards, the provisions of this type C standard take precedence over the provisions of the other standards, for systems and components that have been designed and built according to the provisions of this type C standard.

While producing this standard it was assumed that :

- only trained persons operate the machine ;
- parts without specific requirements are :
  - a) designed in accordance with the usual engineering practice and calculation codes, including all failures modes ;
  - b) of sound mechanical and electrical construction ;
  - c) made of materials with adequate strength and of suitable quality ;
  - d) made of materials free of defects ;
- harmful materials, such as asbestos are not used as part of the system and components ;
- components and system are kept in good repair and working order, so that the required characteristics remain despite wear ;
- by design of the load bearing elements, a safe operation of the system and components is assured for loading ranging from zero to 100 % of the rated possibilities and during the tests ;
- the ambient air temperature is maintained between - 15 °C and + 40 °C ;
- the relative humidity is kept between limits which do not impede the safe working of the system and components ;
- the components (see clause 3.4) are not exposed to external vibration ;
- the noise threshold does not exceed 85 dB (A) at an horizontal distance of 1 m from the nozzle and at height of 1,6 m from the floor of the working area ;
- a negotiation takes place between the user / installer and the manufacturer concerning the particular conditions for the use and places of use of the machinery ;
- the working area is adequately lit ;
- the places of installation allow a safe use of the system ;
- safety data sheets on the bulk materials to be conveyed are provided by the user / installer and are part of the design criteria.

EN 617, EN 618 and EN 620 may need to be considered for a complete continuous handling system (machine).

## 1 Scope

**1.1** This standard specifies the special safety requirements for those types of fixed pneumatic handling systems and components as defined in clause 3, which are designed for conveying bulk materials on a continuous or an intermittent basis (batch conveying system) from the loading point(s) to the unloading point(s).

**1.2** This European standard deals with the technical requirements to minimise the hazards listed in clause 4 which can arise during the operation and the maintenance of the pneumatic conveying system. when carried out in accordance with the specifications given by the manufacturer or his authorised representative.

Annex A gives a list of hazards according to EN 292-1 and the safety requirements and/or measures are specified in the same order as they are given in Annex A.

**1.3** This standard applies to design, on site assembly, and commissioning stages.

**1.4** This standard applies also to the built-in actuators and parts of the systems , which control the components.

### 1.5 Exclusions

This standard does not specify the requirements for any elements used as a link between a fixed part(s) of the system and any other part mounted on mobile/movable supports (e.g.: ship, unloaders, ...).

This standard does not take into account the risks of burns and scalds by the radiation of heat sources or by contact with hot gases.

This standard does not take into account the risk generated by ionising materials used in measuring equipment (e.g. level indicators).

This standard does not specify the requirements for handling specific hazardous materials, such as radiating material, explosives, explosive gases, ...

This standard does not specify the requirements for hazards due to electrostatic charges of pipes and equipment made of non-metallic materials.

The safety requirements for the transportation including loading and unloading of the components are not covered by this standard.

This standard does not apply to pneumatic conveying systems used underground, for mining and in public areas.

This European standard does not establish the additional requirements for: freezer applications, high temperatures, corrosive environments, strong magnetic fields, potentially explosive atmospheres, radioactive environment, operation on ships and earthquake effects, hazards during decommissioning.

## 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.

EN 292-1:1991, *Safety of machinery - Basic concepts, general principles for design - Part 1 : Basic terminology, methodology.*

EN 292-2/A1:1995, *Safety of machinery - Basic concepts, general principles for design - Part 2 : Technical principles and specifications.*

EN 294:1992, *Safety of machinery - Safety distances to prevent danger zones being reached by the upper limbs.*