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### **European foreword**

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EN 14682:2004 Safety of Children's Clothing – Cords and drawstrings on Children's Clothing – Specification was developed in response to European Commission Mandate M 309 and harmonized under the General Product Safety Directive in July 2007. However, noting industry comments on EN 14682:2004, a revision was commenced in 2005, published in 2007, and harmonized in March 2011. A further revision was carried out with publication in 2014 and harmonization in March 2015

An EU Commission report on the adoption of EN 14682 was commissioned in 2008. The report highlighted the need for additional guidance for industry and market surveillance authorities to explain the technical aspect of garment design and manufacture. Children's clothing, like adult clothing, is highly fashionable, resulting in changing garment styles. The aim of this Technical Report is to assist all stakeholders in this fast changing and inventive industry.

#### 1 Scope

This document has been written to help all users of EN 14682:2014 with the understanding of garment styling and the harmonized standard.

The document is in 'Question and Answer' format. All the garments mentioned are examples of frequently asked questions raised by the clothing industry or market surveillance authorities. The responses have been reviewed and agreed upon by CEN/TC 248/WG 20.

In general CEN TC 248 WG20 has observed that retailers advertising, websites and visual merchandise displays are used by consumers to inform on how to wear or style a garment. Frequently garments which comply with EN 14682 if worn correctly have been displayed incorrectly, encouraging a "fashion". Retailers are encouraged to remind their non-technical colleagues of the GPSD and EN 14682 in product displays. Correct product presentation will also reduce misunderstanding by either the consumer or market authorities.

#### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

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