

European New Harmonized Bicycles Standard Published

A new list of standards is published by CEN on Oct. 2005, if a product complies with such a standard it is presumed to be safe.

Standards in this series are:

- ◆ EN 14764-2005 City and trekking bicycle-safety requirements and test methods
- ◆ EN 14765-2005 Bicycles for young children- safety requirements and test methods
- ◆ EN 14766-2005 Mountain bicycles-Safety requirements and test methods
- ◆ EN 14781-2005 Racing bicycles- Safety requirements and test methods

The above European standards have been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 333 "Cycles", the secretariat of which is held by UNI.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2006, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 2006.

General information

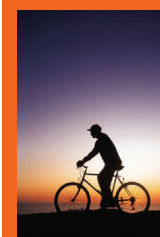
According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to implement this European Standard: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom. Please note that some countries might apply stricter national legislation on bicycle.

The above European standards have been developed in response to demand throughout Europe, and the aim has been to ensure that bicycles manufactured with it will be as safe as is practically possible. The tests have been designed to ensure the strength and durability of individual parts as well as of the bicycle as a whole, demanding high quality throughout and consideration of safety aspects from the design stage onwards.

Product

The scope has been limited to safety considerations, and has specifically avoided standardization of components. If the bicycle is used on public roads national regulations apply.

No requirements on lighting equipment, reflectors and warning devices are specified in this European Standard, due to the existence of several different national regulations applicable in the European Countries.



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