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Article:	Annex:	Clause:
Key words: Aprons; plastic buckles		
Question: Plastic buckles are used as closure and regulation system in aprons to be certified in accordance with EN ISO 11611:2015 and/or EN ISO 11612:2015. The buckles are on the back of the user.		
		
Shall this type of closure/regulation system:		
1) be covered by a protective cover flap? (as required by § 4.6 of EN ISO 11611:2015 and 4.5 of EN ISO 11612:2015)		
2) undergo the test of limited flame spread? (as required by § 6.7.2.3 of EN ISO 11611:2015 and 6.3.2.3 of EN ISO 11612:2015)		
3) undergo the test of heat resistance at 180 °C? (as required by § 6.2.1 of EN ISO 11612:2015)		
Solution:		
1) No, this type of closure/regulation system does not need to be covered by a protective flap. This is not a closure in the meaning of the standards EN ISO 11611 and EN ISO 11612.		
2) Yes, it must be tested for limited flame spread, for both standards.		
3) Yes, it must undergo the heat resistance test at 180 °C for EN ISO 11612, but not for EN ISO 11611 (as heat resistance is not required for EN ISO 11611).		