	CO-ORDINATION OF NOTIFIED BODIES **PPE Regulation 2016/425** **RECOMMENDATION FOR USE**	PPE-R/09.016 Version 1

Number of pages: 1	Approval stage : Approved on :
Origin : VG9	☒ Vertical Group 27.06.2025 ☒ Horizontal Committee 31.01.2026 ☐ EU PPE Working Group

Question related to ☐ PPE Regulation ☒ EN/prEN: ☐ Other:

Article: Annex: Clause: EN 17092 – 1 to 6

Key words: TEAR STRENGTH results conformity assessment

Question:
The test method for TEAR STRENGTH (Clause 4.5 of EN 17092-2/3/4/5/6:2020) for woven (EN ISO 4674-1:2016) and leather materials (EN ISO 3377-1:2011) does not state how to give the judgement of conformity.
The test is to be performed, for both standards, by sampling specimens in two orthogonal directions: is the judgement of conformity with the requirements of Clause 4.5 of EN 17092:2020 to be made on the lowest of the averaged results for each direction or on the overall average?

Solutions:

Conformity is to be assessed based on the lowest of the two average results.