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Bands encircling the torso

Question:

EN ISO 20471:2013, clause 4.2.2 states that garments covering the torso and arms shall have retroreflective bands "encircling the torso".

According to the dictionary a torso is the trunk of the human body, without head or limbs.

There is no problem to verify this requirement if the bands are put low enough (under the armpit) to encircle the torso fully. But what if the upper band is placed almost at shoulder height and hence can not encircle the torso fully?

Solution:

The band shall be put low enough to encircle the torso.

Other configurations may be used if justified by specific work situations and on the condition that the reflective trimming remains sufficiently visible in all work postures.

