

**UK INTERPRETATIONS GROUP**

<b>INTERPRETATION GROUP 133</b>	<b>REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION/METHODS</b>	
<b>Standard/Directive:</b> EN 71-1  <b>Edition:</b> 2014+A1: 2018	<b>Clause no:</b> 4.26  <b>Clause heading:</b> Toy Disguise costumes	<b>Date of Request:</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2020  <b>Source:</b> Intertek
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<b>Question:</b> EN71-1 clause 4.26 states “In addition to the requirements of this European standard, toy disguise costumes shall comply with the applicable requirements of EN 14682”. Toys often have a number of design features for which EN 14682 states in Annex E “A risk assessment in relation to the European standard shall be carried out by considering the risk of strangulation or entrapment by cords and strings on children’s clothing. Examples of features which would necessitate a risk assessment are:... decorative design features, e.g. bows, half belts, tabs, straps etc. are all features that shall be subjected to a risk assessment to establish that they do not present a hazard to the wearer of the garment;...” In assessing whether EN 71-1 clause 4.26 is “Pass” or “Fail”, should a) only those cords, straps, tabs, features with specific requirements in EN 14682 be considered or b) should a risk assessment for other design features also be carried out?		
<b>Proposer’s Comments for an answer:</b> Option a). Any risk assessment under EN 14682 should be part of the manufacturer’s safety assessment under article 18 of 2009/48/EC.		
<b>Interpretation Group Comments/Action:</b> Disguise costumes are required to comply with EN 14682 in order to comply with clause 4.26 of EN 71-1 The EN 14682 standard should apply wholly to toy disguise costumes, including the applicability of its scope and any exemptions. Risk assessment is recommended by several informative parts of EN 14682; this may be considered equivalent to the safety assessment required under the Toy Safety Directive.		
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