

Ladders

Part 1. Specification for terms, types, functional sizes

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The standard covers types of ladders covered by BS 1129 and BS 2037 and is in addition concerned with sectional ladders, mobile ladders and combination ladders not previously covered in British Standards. Ladders for special professional use, such as fire brigade ladders and mobile ladders are not covered by this standard.

It is envisaged that a new European Standard will be prepared giving recommendations for the handling and use of ladders.

With the publication of BS EN 131 Parts 1 and 2 Class 2 of BS 1129 : 1990 and Class 2 of BS 2037 : 1990 are now obsolescent and will be withdrawn by amendment at the end of December 1994. Until such time these classes remain current. Class 2, folding trestles under BS 1129 : 1990 and BS 2037 : 1990 are not included in BS EN 131-1 Parts 1 and 2.

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