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Refuse collection vehicles — General requirements and safety requirements

Part 1: Rear loaded refuse collection vehicles

National foreword

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The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee B/508/1, Waste containers and associated lifting devices on refuse collection vehicles.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its committee manager.

The UK committee advises users that the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), as the UK's regulator, has concerns over the inclusion of subclauses 3.27 ('footboard'), and 5.10 ('Riding on rear loaded RCV by operator(s)'), as it considers that there are significant health and safety risks associated with this practice. For this reason, along with the fact that the standard is not compliant with the UK's Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008 legislation, the UK committee advises that it is the opinion of the HSE that the use of footboards on RCVs is not supported in the UK.

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