



Standard Specification for Helmets Used in Skateboarding and Trick Roller Skating¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers performance requirements for helmets to be used in the activities of skateboarding and trick roller skating.

1.2 All testing and requirements of this specification shall be in accordance with Test Methods F1446, except where noted herein.

1.3 *Partial utilization of this specification is prohibited. Any statement of compliance with this specification shall be a certification that the headgear meets all of the requirements of the specification in their entirety. A headgear that fails to meet any one of the requirements of this specification is considered to have failed the specification, and shall not be sold with any indication that it meets parts of the specification.*

1.4 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.

1.5 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

F1446 Test Methods for Equipment and Procedures Used in Evaluating the Performance Characteristics of Protective Headgear

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:*

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

3.1.1 *trick roller-skating, n*—aggressive roller skating using quads or in-lines and involving such things as jumping, sliding sideways, or skating on ramps or stairs.

3.1.2 *in-lines, n*—roller skates with all wheels on each skate arranged along a single longitudinal line.

3.1.3 *quads, n*—roller skates with four wheels on each skate arranged in a rectangular pattern.

4. Labels and Warnings

4.1 Shall meet the requirements of Test Methods F1446.

4.2 Shall have the words “For skateboarding or trick roller skating” inscribed on one of the interior permanent labels.

4.3 Headgear that complies with this and other standards may proclaim uses as certified by the manufacturer.

5. Marking the Test Line

5.1 The test line is shown in Fig. 1 and shall be marked in accordance with Test Methods F1446.

6. Conditioning and Number of Samples

6.1 Shall be in accordance with Test Methods F1446.

6.2 The test requires a minimum of four samples of each shell/liner combination.

7. Retention System Testing

7.1 Retention system tests shall be performed before impact testing.

7.2 The ambient helmet shall be subjected to the Roll-Off Test of Test Methods F1446 using a 4 kg drop mass from a height of 0.6 m.

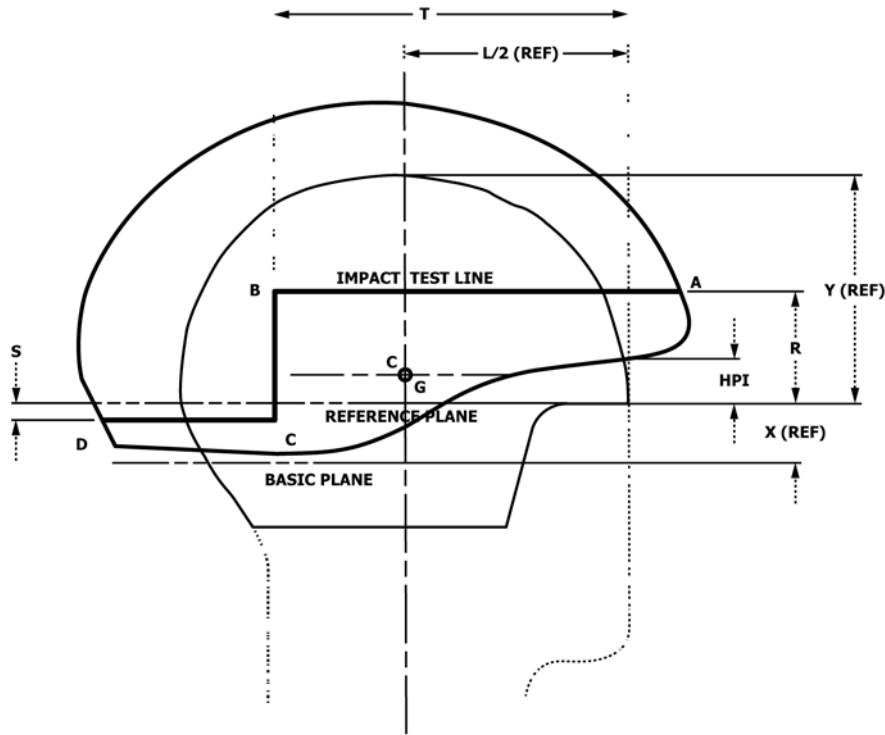
7.3 The retention system shall remain intact and the helmet shall remain on the headform.

7.4 The hot, cold, and wet helmets shall be subjected to the Dynamic Strength Retention Test of Test Methods F1446 using a 4 kg drop mass from a height of 0.6 m.

7.5 The retention system shall remain intact without elongating more than 30 mm.

8. Impact Sites and Projections

8.1 Impact sites are described in Test Methods F1446.



NOTE 1—The center of impact can be anywhere on or above the test line.

Headform Size	Dimension					
	X	L/2	Y	R	S	T
A	24.0	88.0	89.7	47.5	7.0	142.0
C	25.0	91.0	92.7	48.5	7.0	146.5
E	26.0	94.5	96.0	49.0	8.0	151.0
J	27.5	101.0	102.5	50.0	8.0	160.0
M	29.0	106.0	107.0	52.0	8.0	166.0
O	30.0	108.5	110.0	53.0	9.0	170.0

FIG. 1 Marking the Test Line ABCD

8.2 *Projections*—Any unfaired projection extending more than 7 mm from the helmet’s outer surface shall break away or collapse when impacted with forces equivalent to those produced by applicable impact-attenuation tests in Section 10. There shall be no fixture on the helmet’s inner surface projecting more than 2 mm into the helmet interior except occipital stabilizers and foam fit pads.

9. Impacting Schedule

9.1 All impacting shall be performed in accordance with Test Methods F1446, except as noted in 9.4, using the variable mass drop assembly configuration.

9.2 The test anvils can be oriented in any horizontal, centered position.

9.3 At least one of the four impact sites (as described in Test Methods F1446) on the ambient conditioned helmet will be impacted three consecutive times with the flat anvil at the same test location to evaluate the helmet’s ability to withstand

multiple impacts. A time interval of 90 ± 30 s must elapse between impacts directed at the same location on the same helmet.

9.4 Each of the three remaining helmets (one for each remaining environment), will be impacted as described in Test Methods F1446.

10. Impact Testing

10.1 Retention system testing shall be completed prior to impact testing.

10.2 The helmet can be impacted such that the theoretical center of impact described in Test Methods F1446 is anywhere on or above the test line described in Fig. 1.

10.3 Anvils to be used are the flat, cylindrical, and triangular hazard anvils from Test Methods F1446.

10.4 The helmet shall be dropped onto each anvil to achieve an impact velocity of 4.57 m/s, +5 %, -0 % (corresponding to a theoretical drop height of 1.0 m).

10.5 Each helmet shall be given two flat anvil impacts and one each cylindrical and triangular hazard anvil impact in any sequence.

10.6 The theoretical center of each impact site shall be separated from the theoretical center of other impact sites by a minimum of 120 mm.

10.7 The peak acceleration of each impact shall not exceed 300 g.

11. Keywords

11.1 headgear; helmet; roller; skate; skateboard; skating

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