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Foreword

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Attention is drawn to BS 8461 which makes recommendations for the procurement, erection, maintenance, storage of goals intended for small-sided football (five-, six-, seven-a side), mini-soccer, futsal and youth football (i.e. nine- and eleven-a-side), and for their inspection and testing in situ.

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1 Scope

This part of BS 8462 specifies requirements for both socketed and free-standing goals intended for youth football ^{A1} (i.e. nine- and eleven-a-side) ^{A1}, futsal, mini-soccer and small-sided football (i.e. five-, six- and seven-a-side football).

It is applicable to goals used for training and competition in indoor arenas and sports halls, and to outdoor sports facilities.

It does not apply to eleven-a-side adult (full-size) football goals that fall within the scope of BS EN 748.

NOTE A specification for full-size football goals is given in BS EN 748:2004.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

^{A2} BS EN ISO 2062, *Textiles – Yarns from packages – Determination of single-end breaking force and elongation at break using constant rate of extension (CRE) tester (ISO 2062:2009) ^{A2}*

Small Sided Football Laws of the Game. London: The Football Association, 2005.

Futsal Laws of the Game. Zurich: Fédération Internationale de Football Association, 2005.

Laws of Mini-Soccer. London: The Football Association, ^{A2} 2012 ^{A2}.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this British Standard, the following definitions apply.

3.1

youth football

eleven- or nine-a-side football played by players in the age range 11 to 16

3.2

small-sided football

versions of the football played by less than eleven players, including five-, six- and seven-a-side football, that are governed by Football Association's Small Sided Football Laws of the Game

3.3

futsal

modified version of five-a-side football, governed by FIFA's Futsal Laws of the Game

3.4

mini-soccer

simplified version of the small-sided football played by children, as defined in the Football Association's Laws of Mini-Soccer

3.5

goal frame (see Figure 1)

crossbar and uprights which form the goal mouth

3.6

net support (see Figure 2)

attachment fixed to the goal frame for supporting the net, but which does not rest on the ground or support the goal frame

3.7**support frame** (see Figure 3)

framework comprising the side bars and back bar that supports the goal frame

NOTE In most cases, the support frame also supports the net.

3.8**diagonal support** (see Figure 3)

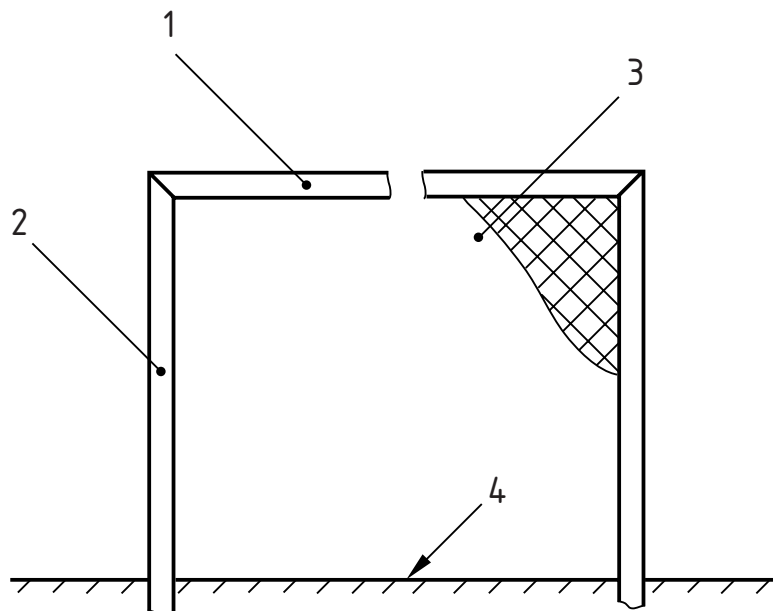
diagonal bar connected to goal frame and supporting bar

NOTE Diagonal supports are not normally fitted to goals for small-sided football, mini-soccer or futsal.

3.9**anchoring system** (see Figure 3)

system for ensuring that a free-standing goal cannot tip over

NOTE This may comprise pegs, anchors, weights, integral weights in support frame or other means.

**Key**

- 1 Crossbar
- 2 Upright
- 3 Net
- 4 Playing surface

Figure 1 – Principal components of a goal