

Goals for small-sided football —

Part 1: Specification for metal goals

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Foreword

This Publicly Available Specification, PAS 36-1, has been prepared by BSI to provide an interim specification for goals for small-sided football. The specification includes important safety requirements, chiefly relating to strength and stability, together with basic dimensional requirements. It has been produced to address immediate concerns about safety, following a number of fatalities and serious injuries caused by unstable and unsupervised goalposts falling on children. Particular attention is drawn to safety guidelines published by The Football Association.

The goals covered in this specification are used for football matches involving teams of fewer than 11 players, e.g. seven-a-side and five-a-side football. They can be used on grass, synthetic and indoor surfaces. Full-size goalposts for 11-a-side football are covered by BS EN 748:1996.

Owing to the wide variety of types and designs, no attempt has been made at classification — other than the broad distinction between free-standing goals and those supported by ground sockets. Most goals within the scope of the specification do not incorporate all the components that it mentions.

This specification is not intended to restrict new developments in design and materials.

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Summary of pages

This document comprises a front cover, an inside front cover, pages i and ii, pages 1 to 11 and a back cover.

1 Scope

This part of PAS 36 specifies requirements for goals intended for small-sided football which are made substantially of metal. It applies to socketed and free-standing goals, supplied with or without a net, which have a goal frame size not exceeding 4.90 m × 1.85 m.

It does not apply to full-size football goals.

NOTE A specification for full-size football goals is given in BS EN 748:1996.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of this Publicly Available Specification. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

BS EN ISO 2062:1995, *Textiles — Yarns from packages — Determination of single-end breaking force and elongation at break*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this Publicly Available Specification, the following definitions apply.

3.1

goal frame

crossbar and uprights which form the goal mouth

3.2

support frame

framework that supports the goal frame

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

3.3

net support

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

NOTE An elbow net support is shown in Figure 3.

3.4

anchoring system

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