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# Preface

This is the sixth edition of CSA Z262.1, *Ice hockey helmets*. It supersedes the previous editions published in 2009, 1990, 1983, 1975, and 1973.

This Standard, along with CSA Z262.2, *Face protectors for use in ice hockey*, provides requirements for protective equipment for use in ice hockey.

This Standard is considered suitable for use for conformity assessment within the stated scope of the Standard.

This Standard was prepared by the Subcommittee on Ice Hockey Helmets, under the jurisdiction of the Technical Committee on Equipment and Facilities for Ice Hockey and the Strategic Steering Committee on Community Safety and Well-Being, and has been formally approved by the Technical Committee.

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  - d) *rationale for the change.*

# Z262.1-15

## Ice hockey helmets

### 1 Scope

#### 1.1

This Standard specifies performance requirements and test methods for helmets marketed, sold, and intended for ice hockey. Such helmets can also be used for lacrosse and ringette.

#### 1.2

The intent of this Standard is to reduce the risk of focal injury to the head without compromising the form or appeal of the game. This reduction of risk is based on the use of the helmet

- a) as intended within the rules of the game; and
- b) in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

**Note:** *Ice hockey is a sport in which there is a risk of injury. Helmets meeting the requirements of this Standard afford no protection from neck or spinal injuries. Severe head, brain, or spinal injuries, including paralysis or death, can occur in spite of using a helmet certified to this Standard.*

#### 1.3

This Standard specifies requirements for the following items or terms relate to ice hockey helmets:

- a) construction;
- b) penetration;
- c) shock absorption;
- d) retention systems;
- e) field of view;
- f) markings; and
- g) user information.

#### 1.4

This Standard covers helmets that are intended for use by

- a) ice hockey players;
- b) ice hockey goalkeepers; and
- c) certain on-ice functionaries (e.g., referees, coaches).

#### 1.5

In Standard, “shall” is used to express a requirement, i.e., a provision that the user is obliged to satisfy in order to comply with the standard; “should” is used to express a recommendation or that which is advised but not required; and “may” is used to express an option or that which is permissible within the limits of the standard.

Notes accompanying clauses do not include requirements or alternative requirements; the purpose of a note accompanying a clause is to separate from the text explanatory or informative material.

Notes to tables and figures are considered part of the table or figure and may be written as requirements.