



## Two Mandatory Standards for Footwear in China

### Recently Released

On May 28, 2024, the National Standard of the People's Republic of China, Announcement No. 10 of 2024 was issued, approving 6 mandatory national standards and 3 mandatory national standard revision. Among them, two mandatory standards in the field of footwear, *General Safety Requirements for Footwear* and *Safety technical specifications for infants' and children's footwear* have been officially released, and the implementation date is June 1, 2025. See below for details: Source: <https://std.sacinfo.org.cn/qnoc/queryInfo?id=E1F532C6CB6F3F409FEC6ACA39E7C067>

Standard No.	Standard title	Standard to be Replaced	Implementation Date
GB 25038-2024	General Safety Requirements for Footwear	GB 25038-2010, Partial replace: GB 21536-2008, GB 25037-2010	June 1 2025
GB 30585-2024	Safety technical specifications for infants' and children's footwear	GB 30585-2014	June 1 2025

GB 25038-2024 is applicable to footwear made of various materials. It is not applicable to protective shoes (boots) and children's shoes for children of age 14 and under.

Requirements including but not limited to:

- a) The restrictions for sharp point and broken needle.
- b) The requirement for restrictive chemical substances: Including Cr VI, banned azo dyes, formaldehyde, dimethyl fumarate, chlorophenols, and phthalates.

GB 30585-2024 is applicable to footwear made of various materials for children of age 14 or under.

Requirements including but not limited to:

- a) The requirements for broken needle, sharp point and sharp edge, technical heel height.
  - Compared with GB 30585-2014, remove the requirement for shank.
- b) The requirements for small accessories on the infant shoes.
  - Compared with GB 30585-2014, modify the expression.
- c) The requirement for restrictive chemical substances: Including Cr VI, banned azo dyes, formaldehyde, total heavy metals, dimethyl fumarate, N-Nitrosamines, chlorophenols, phthalates and SCCP.
  - Compared with GB 30585-2014, the requirement for Cr VI becomes more stringent; added banned azo dyes and formaldehyde requirements for synthetic leather; total lead content requirement becomes stricter, but the arsenic content will no longer be assessed; added requirement for chlorophenols; requirements for phthalates change by adding the restriction for DIBP; added requirements for SCCP.

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