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Question related to: Height of heel	Annex:	Article:	EN ISO 20344,5,6,7
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Key words: Heel height			
Question: There is no limitation on the height of the heel given in the standard. It is theoretically possible for a ladies court shoe with a high heel to meet all the requirements of the standard.  The picture for Design A implies that court shoes might be excluded but the heel height is not specified. It is possible that the taller the heel, the greater the risk of twisting the ankle but this possibility is not addressed in 5.3.4 Specific ergonomic features.			
Solution: Some users predominantly wear high heeled footwear while not working and have difficulty adjusting to low heeled safety shoes at work. Hence, provided that the high heeled product passes ALL tests including slip resistance, it can be certified.			
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(1) Essential safety requirement  
(2) HC = horizontal committee

(3) N° of CEN/TC (Secretary & Chairman)  
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(5) To be specified