Diving equipment — Diving mask — Requirements and test methods
National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 16805:2015.

This British standard specifies requirements and test methods for diving masks to protect the eyes of persons engaged in underwater activities where the user is breathing underwater. A further requirement for diving masks is to enable the user to see underwater and for this the field of vision also needs to be specified.

Current standards for diving apparatus (e.g. BS EN 250, BS EN 14143 and BS EN 15333) that may include a facepiece with a visor specify the field of vision using a Stoll apertometer. This has the advantage of standardizing the field of vision for ergonomic design of equipment and specifically for the user to be able to see any controls, fastenings, monitors, indicators or gauges.

In regards to the UK implementation of this standard, and to ensure consistency in application, a face mask should also comply with the field of vision requirements specified in BS EN 250:2014 (listed in the bibliography).

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