
**Ladders —
Part 3: User Instructions**

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National foreword

This Mauritian Standard is identical with the European Standard **EN 131- 3:2007**, *Ladders- Part 3: User Instructions*. It was adopted by the Mauritius Standards Bureau in 2012 on the recommendation of the **Mechanical Engineering Standards Committee** through its **Subcommittee on Ladders** and approval of the **Standards Council 29 October 2012**. It was notified in the Government Gazette on **24 November 2012***.

For the purposes of this standard the following changes should be made:

- (i) the words “European Standard” should be replaced by “Mauritian Standard”,
- (ii) the “decimal comma” to be replaced by “decimal point”
- (iii) Clause 3 – to insert the following statement as a note:
-‘feet’ is also known locally as ‘shoes’

The following Mauritian Standards are identical to the European Standards, which are referenced in the adopted standard:

European Standards

Corresponding Mauritian Standards

EN 131-1:2007, *Ladders — Part 1: Terms, types, functional sizes*

MS EN 131-1:2007, *Ladders — Part 1: Terms, types, functional sizes*

EN 131-2:2010, *Ladders — Part 2: Requirements, testing, marking*

MS EN 131-2:2010, *Ladders — Part 2: Requirements, testing, marking*

EN 131-4 :2007, *Ladders — Part 4: Single or multiple hinge-joint ladders*

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1 Scope

This European Standard advises on the safe use of ladders covered by the scope of EN 131-1 and fulfilling the requirements of EN 131-1, EN 131-2 and, for single or multiple hinged-joint ladders, EN 131-4 used as standing or leaning ladders.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

Not applicable

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1 producer
(a) manufacturer of a product and any other person presenting himself as the manufacturer by affixing to the product his name, trade mark or other distinctive mark, or the person who reconditions the product

(b) other professionals in the supply chain, insofar as their activities may affect the safety properties of a product

3.2 distributor
professional in the supply chain whose activity does not affect the safety properties of a product

3.3 owner
person or company buying or receiving the ladder

NOTE The owner can use the ladder himself, or he can make the ladder available for other users

3.4 user
person using the ladder

3.5 harm
physical injury or damage to health of people or damage to property or the environment

3.6 hazard
potential source of harm

3.7 risk
probable rate of occurrence of a hazard causing harm and the degree of severity of the harm