

<u>Childrens Clothing – Safety of Cords</u> BS EN 14682:2014

It has been identified that hoodie jumpers being supplied to primary schools fail to meet the requirements of BS EN 14682:2014, section 3.3, in that the neck area of the garment has a drawstring with free ends.

The aim of BS EN 14862 is to minimise the risk of accidental entrapment by cords or drawstrings on childrens clothing intended for children up to age 14, taking into account the childs age, normal behaviour and activities eg, entrapment of hood cords in playground equipment such as slides can result in fatalities.

As such it is recommended that any hoodies that have been supplied to children of the above age should be checked and have the cords removed immediately.

If you require any further advice or guidance on this matter please do not hesitate to contact consumer.enquiries@southlanarkshire.gov.uk