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Preface

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This document is not applicable to waterslides, rollerways or slide installations where auxiliary equipment such as mats or sledges are used.

This document is not applicable to inclined surfaces that do not contain and guide the user, e.g. bannister rails (inclined parallel bars).

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