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**SIZE DESIGNATION OF CLOTHES - PART 1:  
TERMS, DEFINITIONS AND BODY  
MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE  
(ISO 3635:1981 MODIFIED)**

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## Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 248 "Textiles and textile products", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by September 2001, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by September 2001.

It is one of a series of standards being prepared describing the size designation of clothes. Other standards in the series have the following titles:

prEN 13402-2 Size designation of clothes - Primary and secondary dimensions in garments

prEN 13402-3 Standard size designation systems for clothing (WI 00248243)

It is related to ISO 3635 :1981; prEN ISO 3635:1996 was submitted to the Unique Acceptance Procedure (UAP) in CEN on 1996-10-24. Since the result of the UAP was negative, CEN/TC 248 examined the reasons for negative votes and modified the ISO Standard to suit the European needs. This European Standard is the result of this work.

Additional dimensions for garment construction are standardized in ISO 8559 (see Annex A (informative)).

This standard includes a Bibliography.

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## Introduction

This European Standard is intended as a reference document to be consulted in conjunction with the European Standard for the size designation of clothes applicable to the garment under consideration.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard defines body dimensions for garments, specifies a procedure for measuring the body and gives pictograms to be used on garment labels.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates, by dated or undated references, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publications referred to applies (including amendments).

prEN 13402-2 Size designation of clothes - Primary and secondary dimensions in garments

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **primary dimension**

a body measurement, in centimetres, that shall be used in designating the size of a garment. (see prEN 13402-2, in preparation, at enquiry stage with number prEN 13764)

### 3.2

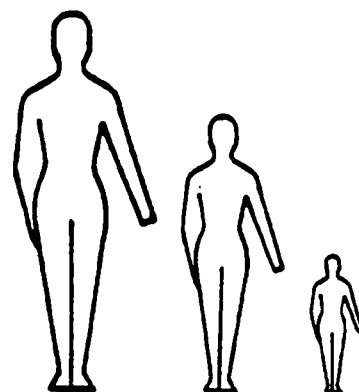
#### **secondary dimension**

a body measurement, in centimetres, or, in the case of pantyhose, body mass (kg), that may additionally be used in designating the size of a garment (see prEN 13402-2, in preparation, at enquiry stage with number prEN 13764)

### 3.3

#### **standard pictogram**

pictorial symbol used to indicate the position on the body of the relevant dimensions



**Standard pictogram**

### 3.4 modified pictogram

standard pictogram on which the position of the breasts is shown by two inverted arcs to indicate the position of the underbust girth dimension

NOTE 1 The standard pictogram and the modified pictogram are shown below in their basic forms, i.e. without the numerals used for labelling. For uniformity of presentation, girth measurements should be shown on the left-hand side and length measurements on the righthand side of pictograms.

NOTE 2 The minimum size of the pictogram is not specified but it should be large enough to convey immediate understanding and allow the use of readily legible numerals.

NOTE 3 The recommended type for use on pictograms is UNIVERS 55, as used in the European Standard for the relevant size designation.

NOTE 4 The pictogram provides information only and does not give the technical information on how the measurement is to be made. The measuring position is provided in 3.5 to 3.7.



**Modified pictogram**

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