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**TEXTILES - METHODS OF TESTING THE
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RUBBING TEST**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This European Standard describes a method for the determination of the fibre-proof properties of a fabric using a rubbing apparatus, when the fabric is tested against the filling material (either loose fibre or wadding) that will be used in the final product. This European Standard is applicable to all types of bedding articles, clothing and quilted products filled with textile materials.

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.

EN 12132-1, *Feather and down — Methods of testing the down proof properties of fabrics — Part 1: Rubbing test*

EN ISO 5084, *Textiles — Determination of thickness of textiles and textile products (ISO 5084:1996)*

EN ISO 139, *Textiles — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing (ISO 139:2005)*

ISO 4915, *Textiles — Stitch types — Classification and terminology*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

filling material

loose fibres or a loosely cohering sheet of fibres used for wadding and padding

3.2

wadding

loosely cohering sheet of fibres, which may be bonded, used for padding, upholstery, stuffing, packing or similar purposes

4 Principle

A cushion of specified dimensions is made from the fabric to be tested and filled with a given amount of the loose fibres or wadding that will be used in the final product. The cushion is mounted in an apparatus and undergoes a specified number of rubbings. The number of fibres that have protruded from (or passed through) the fabric is counted.

5 Apparatus

5.1 Rubbing apparatus

The same apparatus as used for testing the down proof properties is used. The apparatus is described in EN 12132-1.

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