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## **Foreword**

This document (EN 14159:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 134 “Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings”, the secretariat of which is held by NBN.

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## **Introduction**

Owing to influences of the production process on the structure, textile floor coverings may show variations in size and distortion. However, in many cases, certain discrepancies can be eliminated by professional and careful installation. By open communication between manufacturer and installer, an agreement can be found between what is technically possible in manufacturing, and at the same time technically workable during installation.

The maximum distortions in pattern repeat specified in this European Standard are applicable only to carpets with certain design styles ex-factory.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the maximum accepted tolerances on the dimensions and distortions in pattern, of rugs, runners, carpet tiles and wall-to-wall carpet.

NOTE These tolerances do not affect the functional characteristics of the textile floor covering.

## 2 Normative references

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

ISO 2424:2007, *Textile floor coverings — Vocabulary*

ISO 3018, *Textile floor coverings — Rectangular textile floor coverings — Determination of dimensions*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 2424:2007 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **arcing**

arcing of the carpet roll itself in the production direction when unrolled

Note 1 to entry: See Figure 5.

### 3.2

#### **linear pattern distortion**

displacements of the pattern widthways so that alignment of repeated design features in the production direction are not parallel with the edge of the carpet

Note 1 to entry: See Figure 3.

### 3.3

#### **bowing**

displacement of the pattern alignment across the width of the carpet so that repeated design features are displaced from a line at right angles to the direction of production

Note 1 to entry: This displacement is usually at its greatest extent in the centre of the carpet width.

Note 2 to entry: See Figure 2.

### 3.4

#### **length**

<rugs> linear dimension of the longest side

### 3.5

#### **length**

<carpet roll> linear dimension parallel to the direction of production

### 3.6

#### **pattern repeat**

smallest part of the pattern that contains all its characteristics

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