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# **Foreword**

This document (EN 13492:2013) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 189 "Geosynthetics", the secretariat of which is held by NBN.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by January 2014, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by January 2014.

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This document supersedes EN 13492:2004.

The following technical changes were introduced in comparison with the previous edition:

- The normative references were updated.
- Table 1 was revised.
- "Chemical resistance" was added to Clause 4.
- "Release of dangerous substances" was added to Clause 4.
- Annex A revised: "raw or incoming material" and Tables A.1 to A.3 were added.
- Annex B was revised.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

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# Introduction

This document allows manufacturers to describe geosynthetic barriers on the basis of declared values for characteristics relevant to the intended use and if tested to the specified method. It also includes procedures for evaluation of conformity and factory production control.

This document can also be used by designers, end-users and other interested parties as a tool to define relevant and appropriate characteristics for specifications and on-site quality control. It should be emphasised however that not all characteristics and test methods quoted in this document are suitable for the purpose of on-site quality control.

Tests for some non-mandated characteristics are still under study and will be included when the standard is revised.

The term "product" used in this document refers to a geosynthetic barrier, including polymeric geosynthetic barriers, clay geosynthetic barriers and bituminous geosynthetic barriers.

This document is part of a group of standards, addressing the requirements for geosynthetic barriers when used in a specific application.

Particular application cases can contain requirements about additional properties and - preferably standardised - test methods, if they are technically relevant and not conflicting with European Standards.

The design life of the product should be determined, since its function may be temporary, as a construction expediency, or permanent, for the lifetime of the structure.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the relevant characteristics of geosynthetic barriers, including polymeric geosynthetic barriers, clay geosynthetic barriers and bituminous geosynthetic barriers, when used as fluid barriers in the construction of liquid waste disposal sites and in the construction of transfer stations and secondary containment for the storage of liquid waste on a waste disposal site only and the appropriate test methods to determine these characteristics.

The intended use of these products is to control the leakage of fluids through the construction.

This document is not applicable to geotextiles or geotextile-related products.

This document provides for the evaluation of conformity of the product to this document.

This document defines requirements to be met by manufacturers and distributors with regard to the presentation of product properties.

### 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.

EN 495-5, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of foldability at low temperature — Part 5: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing

EN 1109, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Bitumen sheets for roof waterproofing — Determination of flexibility at low temperature

EN 1844, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of resistance to ozone — Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing

EN 1849-1, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of thickness and mass per unit area — Part 1: Bitumen sheets for roof waterproofing

EN 1849-2, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of thickness and mass per unit area — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets

EN 12224, Geotextiles and geotextile-related products — Determination of the resistance to weathering

EN 12225, Geotextiles and geotextile-related products — Method for determining the microbiological resistance by a soil burial test

EN 12310-1, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Part 1: Bitumen sheets for waterproofing — Determination of resistance to tearing (nail shank)

EN 12311-1, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Part 1: Bitumen sheets for roof waterproofing — Determination of tensile properties

EN 12311-2, Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of tensile properties — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing

EN 13361, Geosynthetic barriers — Characteristics required for use in the construction of reservoirs and dams

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