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**Foreword**

Following a request by the International Wallpaper Manufacturers' Association (IGI), CEN/TC99 was established in 1980 to develop standards for wallcoverings in roll form. The IGI submitted first draft proposals for a vocabulary, and for specifications for wallcoverings for subsequent decoration and for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings.

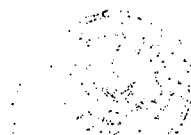
During its first meeting in 1980, TC99 decided to undertake additional work concerning textile wallcoverings, for which a WG 1 was created, and heavy duty wallcoverings, for which a WG 2 was created. A first proposal for the specification for textile products was put forward by WG 1 for consideration by TC99 at its fifth meeting in Manchester (1985) and developed at a subsequent meeting in Brussels (1988).

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## 0 Introduction

A textile wallcovering is a wallcovering, the front face of which consists of natural or synthetic fibrous or filament materials such as yarns, woven fabrics, knitted fabrics, threads, ropes, braids, felts, etc., which may be attached to a base web. A textile wallcovering should have adequate strength such that it may be hung satisfactorily in accordance with the instructions given by the supplier and using the recommended adhesive.

There are many types of wallcovering and varied processes used in their manufacture. To ensure satisfactory performance, it is important that decorators follow the manufacturer's recommended hanging instructions for each particular product.

Various grades of colour fastness to light of textile wallcoverings are recognized and symbols to indicate these grades are given in this standard, as well as symbols to indicate pattern matching, means of application and methods of subsequent removal from the support. This will facilitate the selection by the user of wallcoverings appropriate to his particular needs and guide the decorator.

Related European standards on the vocabulary and symbols used in the wallcovering industry, for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings, for wallcoverings for subsequent decoration and for heavy duty wallcoverings are also published.

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## 1 Object and field of application

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- specifies requirements for dimensions, adhesion of yarns and grades of colour fastness to light
- gives the symbols, to be used for marking purposes, for some of these characteristics and also for matching, methods of application and removal
- specifies requirements for marking
- gives the designation system

The marking requirements of this standard are primarily for information of the consumer and to enable optimum use to be made of the product.

This standard applies to textile wallcoverings supplied in rolls for hanging on to walls and ceilings by means of an adhesive covering the whole of the interface between the wallcovering and the support. It does not apply to individual lengths of textile wallcovering cut at the retail point of sale.

Excluded from this standard are rigid materials, materials not attached or not wholly attached by adhesive, and non-decorative wallcoverings such as wall linings or those with special properties, e.g. thermal or acoustic insulation.

Also excluded from this standard are wallpapers, wall vinyls and wallcoverings with a plastics surface, which are dealt with in EN 233 : 1989.

## 2 References

- EN 233 : 1989 Wallcoverings in roll form - Specification for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings
- EN 235 : 1989 Wallcoverings in roll form - Vocabulary and symbols
- EN 259 Wallcoverings in roll form - Specification for heavy duty wallcoverings
- ISO 3932 - 1976 Textiles - Woven fabrics - Measurement of width of pieces
- ISO 3933 - 1976 Textiles - Woven fabrics - Measurement of length of pieces

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## 3 Definitions

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The definitions given in EN 235 : 1989 apply.

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## 4 Dimensions

### 4.1 General

The area of the roll is not standardized but shall be declared; the permitted deviation from the declared value shall be not more than  $\pm 3\%$ .

The nominal width, or useable width for untrimmed wallcoverings, and the nominal length shall be declared; the permitted deviation from the declared values shall be not more than  $\pm 1,5\%$ .

### 4.2 Method of measuring dimensions

Dimensions shall be measured in accordance with annex B.

## 5 Adhesion of attached yarns

For a wallcovering with warp- or weft-laid yarns to comply with this standard it shall possess good adhesion of the attached yarns.

Accordingly the wallcovering, when tested in accordance with annex C for adhesion of yarns, shall exhibit no visible removal of, or damage to, yarns attached to its front surface.

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## 6 Cleanability

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There are no specific requirements for the spongeability or washability of a textile wallcovering.

If such attributes are claimed the wallcoverings shall be tested in accordance with the relevant methods specified in EN 233 : 1989 and marked as indicated therein.

## 7 Colour fastness to light










7.1 Two grades of colour fastness to light of wallcoverings to this standard are recognized:

- satisfactory: numerical rating not less than 4;
- very good: numerical rating not less than 6.

7.2 The numerical rating for colour fastness to light shall be determined in accordance with annex D of EN 233 : 1989. A wallcovering to this standard shall not have a rating of less than 4.

7.3 The symbols to be used for indicating the grade of colour fastness to light are given in table 1, serials 3.2 and 3.4.



Table 1. Symbols for marking purposes			
Category and serial number	Description	Symbol	Designation character (see annex E)
3 Colour fastness to light			
3.2	Satisfactory		4
3.4	Very good		6
4 Pattern matching			
4.1	Free match		
4.2	Straight match	 (with, added, the dimensions of design repeat in cm, e.g. 50)	
4.3	Offset match	 (with, added, the dimensions of design repeat and distance offset, in cm, e.g. 50/25)	
4.4	Reverse alternate lengths		
5 Means of application <sup>1)</sup>			
5.1	Adhesive to be applied to the wallcovering		G } J
5.2	Adhesive to be applied to the support to be decorated		H } J
5.3	Prepasted (Ready pasted)		K