
**Fibre ropes — Polyethylene — 3- and
4-strand ropes**

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for 3-strand hawser-laid and 4-strand shroud-laid ropes for general service (excluding fittings) made of polyethylene and gives rules for their designation.

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.

ISO 1968, *Fibre ropes and cordage — Terms and definitions*

ISO 2307, *Ropes — Determination of certain physical and mechanical properties*

ISO 9554:—¹⁾, *Fibre ropes — General specification*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1968 apply.

4 Designation

Fibre ropes shall be designated by:

- the words “fibre rope”;
- the number of this International Standard;
- the construction type of rope (see Clause 5);
- the reference number of the rope;
- the material from which the rope is made.

EXAMPLE Designation of a 4-strand shroud-laid rope (type B) with a linear mass of 802 ktex corresponding to the reference number 40 made of polyethylene (PE):

Fibre rope ISO 1969 - B - 40 - PE.

1) To be published. (Revision of ISO 9554:1991)

5 General requirements

5.1 Polyethylene ropes shall be made in one of the following constructions:

- type A: 3-strand hawser-laid rope (see Figure 1);
- type B: 4-strand shroud-laid rope (see Figure 2).

5.2 Construction, manufacture, lay, labelling, packaging, invoicing and delivery lengths shall conform to ISO 9554.

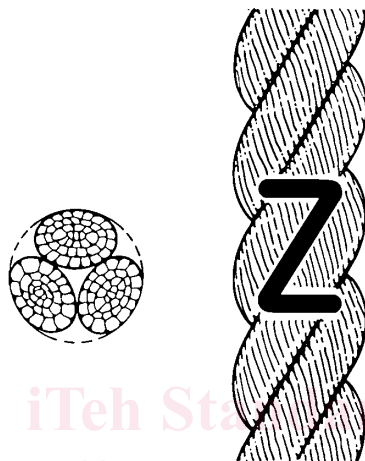


Figure 1 — Shape of a 3-strand hawser-laid rope (type A)

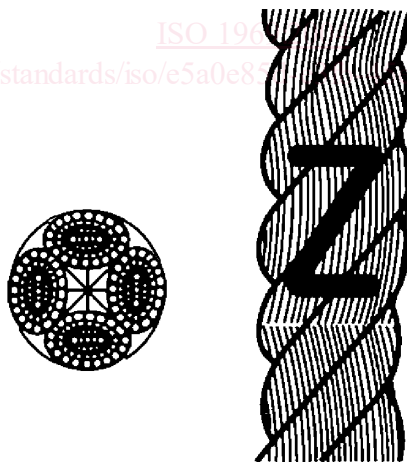


Figure 2 — Shape of a 4-strand shroud-laid rope (type B)

6 Physical properties

Linear density and minimum breaking force shall conform to Tables 1 and 2.