
**Paints and varnishes — Determination of
wet-scrub resistance and cleanability
of coatings**

*Peintures et vernis — Détermination de la résistance au frottement
humide et de l'aptitude au nettoyage des revêtements*

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Foreword

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ISO 11998 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 35, *Paints and varnishes*, Subcommittee SC 9, *General test methods for paints and varnishes*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 11998:1998), which has been technically revised. The main changes are:

- the definitions for stroke length and scrub cycle have been changed and a new term scrub length has been introduced;
- the method for the determination of the dry-film density of the coating, specified in Annex A, has been replaced by a new method.

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Introduction

As noted in the Foreword, this International Standard is a revision of ISO 11998:1998. The use and application of the standard is now established globally, and improved procedures/equipment have been proposed. A joint CEN/ISO working group has agreed to undertake interlaboratory testing with a new type of abrasive pad (different from that specified in 6.5). It is anticipated that the results of the testing will be available by the end of 2006 and an early revision of the standard might be initiated.

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