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- in [Clause 1](#), any requirement and permission have been removed, and the note has been deleted;
- in [Clause 2](#), introductory wording has been updated;
- in [Clause 3](#), the clause title has been changed from "Terminology" to "Terms and definitions";
- in [Clause 4](#), all tables have been numbered, titles have been provided; and the data in the tables have been revised;
- in [Clause 5](#), designation examples have been added;
- former Annex A has been changed to Bibliography, and titles for standards have been corrected.

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Plastics — Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) semi-finished products —

Part 1: Requirements and designation

1 Scope

This document establishes a system of designation for processed unfilled polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) products, which can occur in several forms.

The PTFE used to make the semi-finished product is described in ISO 20568-1. The PTFE used to make the semi-finished product are virgin, reprocessed or recycled resin. The addition of up to 1,5 % by mass of pigment or colorant can be used.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 472, *Plastics — Vocabulary*

ISO 20568-1, *Plastics — Fluoropolymer dispersions and moulding and extrusion materials — Part 1: Designation system and basis for specifications*

ISO 13000-2, *Plastics — Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) semi-finished products — Part 2: Preparation of test specimens and determination of properties*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 472, ISO 20568-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

moulded basic shape

semi-finished product (3.2) made by preforming and sintering without additional processing

3.2

semi-finished product

material, in the form of *skived tape* (3.3), sheets, rods, tubes, tubing, *moulded basic shapes* (3.1) or special shapes, that is produced for use either directly without further fabrication or in fabricating end use products, or both

3.3

skived tape

film or sheet prepared by cutting, slicing or shaving

Note 1 to entry: The term “veneered tape” is deprecated.

4 Requirements for PTFE semi-finished products

4.1 General

After considering the specific shape, dimensions and dimensional tolerances, the primary basis for designating a semi-finished product of PTFE is the tensile strength and percentage elongation at break of the product. Tests to determine the values for designation shall be run in accordance with the methods in ISO 13000-2. The semi-finished product is identified as “type P” for as-processed or “type S” for stabilized and also can be designated as “type E” with specified electrical properties when required for a particular application. The exclusion of the use of reprocessed or recycled material shall be specified if needed in order to meet special customer requirements. The values required for other properties are given in their respective subclauses.

4.2 Dimensions and dimensional tolerances

4.2.1 General

Dimensional tolerances shall be measured at $23\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$.

4.2.2 Skived tape, skived sheet or film

See [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Code-letter of skived tape, skived sheet or film

Code-letter	Thickness	Tolerance
a	< 0,1 mm	$\begin{smallmatrix} +0,01 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ mm}$
b	$\geq 0,1 \text{ mm}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} +10 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \%$

The tolerance for width is $\begin{smallmatrix} +3 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \%$, with a maximum of 30 mm. For slit skived tape, the exact width shall be agreed upon between purchaser and supplier.

The tolerance for length is $\begin{smallmatrix} +2 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \%$.

4.2.3 Moulded sheet

For tolerance for moulded sheet, see [Table 2](#).

Table 2 — Code-letter of moulded sheet

Code-letter	Thickness	Tolerance
a	< 5 mm	$\begin{smallmatrix} +0,75 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ mm}$
b	$\geq 5 \text{ mm}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} +15 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \%$

The length and width tolerance shall be $\begin{smallmatrix} +3 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} \%$.