
Size designation of clothes — Tights

Désignation des tailles de vêtements — Collants

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Foreword

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 133, *Clothing sizing systems — Size designation, size measurement methods and digital fittings*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 5971:1981), which has been technically revised in order to align with ISO 8559-1:2017 and ISO 8559-2:2017 and include the following main changes:

- informative [Annex A](#) added on rationale related to survey data on body dimensions;
- informative [Annex B](#) added including updated examples of tight size designation.

Size designation of clothes — Tights

1 Scope

This document establishes a system for designating the sizes of tights.

The system is based on three criteria:

- identification of dimensions;
- description of the methods of determining size designations from survey data; and
- indication of size designations for garment labelling.

Examples of size designations are given in [Annex B](#).

NOTE Tights are sometimes called by other names, e.g. “pantyhose”.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way 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 8559-1, *Size designation of clothes – Part 1: Anthropometric definitions for body measurement*

ISO 8559-2, *Size designation of clothes – Part 2: Primary and secondary dimension indicators*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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

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

4 Size designation

4.1 Control dimensions of tights

The control dimensions of tights are usually as follows:

- 1) height as the primary dimension and hip girth and/or body mass as the secondary dimension;
- 2) hip girth as the primary dimension and height as the secondary dimension.

NOTE There is a close correlation between hip girth and body mass (see [Annex A](#)).

Body measurements are determined in accordance with ISO 8559-1 and control dimensions in accordance with ISO 8559-2.