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#### 1 Scope

This European standard defines the principal terms used in the field of feather and down.

#### 2 Terms and definitions concerning the structure

#### 2.1 Plumage

All elements (quill feathers, feathers, down, plumule) of a plumage from different kinds of waterfowl and landfowl.

#### 2.2 Quill feather

Stiff, coarse, wing and tale tumage. It has a longer and stiffer vane (2.11) than a feather (2.3.1).

#### 2.3 Feather

#### 2.3.1 Feather (general)

Plumage (2.1) without quill feathers (2.2)

#### 2.3.2 Feather (specific) (see Figure 1)

Horny integument of fowls. It has a shorter so softer vane (2.11) than quill feather (2.2) and, unlike plumules (2.16), a well developed quill (2.7).

#### 2.4 Neck feather (see Figure 2)

Smallest feathers from the neck and head area, some with very sharp quill points.

#### 2.5 Nestling feather (pin feather) (see Figure 6)

Feather (2.3.1) not fully developped, having no distinguishable quill (2.7) but with relatively short coarse barbs (2.19).

#### 2.6 Flat feather

Feather (2.3.1) with straight vane (2.11).

#### 2.7 Quill (see Figure 1)

Axial part of quill feather (2.2) and feathers (2.3.1). It is formed by the quill point (2.9) and the quill shaft (2.8).

#### 2.8 Quill shaft (see Figure 1 and Figure 7)

Part of the quill (2.7) which carries the vane (2.11).

#### 2.9 Quill point (see Figure 1 and Figure 7)

Part of the quill (2.7) inserted in the skin and partially protruding from it.