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**HOUSEHOLD ELECTRIC HEATING PADS –
METHODS FOR MEASURING PERFORMANCE**

FOREWORD

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HOUSEHOLD ELECTRIC HEATING PADS – METHODS FOR MEASURING PERFORMANCE

1 Scope

This standard applies to electric **heating pads** for household use.

This standard defines the main performance characteristics of electric **heating pads** and specifies methods for measuring these characteristics, for the information of users.

This standard does not specify values for performance characteristics.

NOTE - This standard does not deal with safety requirements (IEC 967*).

2 Normative reference

The following normative document contains provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All normative documents are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the normative document indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 2439:1980, *Polymeric materials, cellular flexible – Determination of hardness (indentation technique)*.

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard, the following definitions apply:

3.1 **heating pad**: Appliance comprising a substantially flat **flexible part** having a **heated area**, measured on one face only, not exceeding 0,2 m² and which is designed for the local application of heat to the human body.

3.2 **flexible part**: All layers of material forming the permanent enclosure of the appliance together with the heating element, thermostats and all other current-carrying parts contained therein.

NOTE - The **flexible part** may be inside a detachable cover.

* IEC 967: 1988, *Safety of electrically heated blankets, pads and similar flexible heating appliances for household use*.