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## European foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are listed below:

- The scope has been extended to include modular mechanically locked floor coverings, which is also reflected in the title of the document;
- The normative references have been updated;
- The document was updated to the new template, for which Clause 3 Terms and definitions is now obligatory. As a result, the numbering of the following clauses has shifted to a higher number;
- The pictograms in Clause 4.3 have been updated to be in line with the most recent version of EN 14041.

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## Introduction

Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings and in case of floating installation with underlays, the combination of these floor coverings with underlays, have a number of specific characteristics and are classified in a number of use classes.

In order to make the classification and these specific characteristics understandable and recognizable to the consumer, graphic symbols have been developed.

For practical reasons, only symbols for characteristics linked directly to a European or ISO Standard have been developed.

## 1 Scope

This document establishes a system of graphic symbols for use in the marking of the following floor coverings and specifies the use of these symbols:

- resilient floor coverings manufactured from plastics, linoleum, cork or rubber, excluding loose-laid mats;
- textile floor coverings, including loose-laid mats and rugs;
- laminate floor coverings;
- modular mechanical locked floor coverings (MMF).

## 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.

*EN 438-1, High-pressure decorative laminates (HPL) — Sheets based on thermosetting resins (usually called laminates) — Part 1: Introduction and general information*

*EN 438-2, High-pressure decorative laminates (HPL) — Sheets based on thermosetting resins (usually called laminates) — Part 2: Determination of properties*

*EN 669, Resilient floor coverings — Determination of dimensional stability of linoleum tiles caused by changes in atmospheric humidity*

*EN 994, Textile floor coverings — Determination of the side length, squareness and straightness of tiles*

*EN 1081, Resilient, laminate and modular multilayer floor coverings — Determination of the electrical resistance*

*EN 1307, Textile floor coverings — Classification*

*EN 1399, Resilient floor coverings — Determination of resistance to stubbed and burning cigarettes*

*EN 1814, Textile floor coverings — Determination of resistance to damage at cut edges using the modified Vettermann drum test*

*EN 13329, Laminate floor coverings — Elements with a surface layer based on aminoplastic thermosetting resins — Specifications, requirements and test methods*

*EN 13501-1, Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Part 1: Classification using data from reaction to fire tests*

*EN 13553, Resilient floor coverings — Polyvinyl chloride floor coverings for use in special wet areas — Specification*

*EN 13845, Resilient floor coverings — Polyvinyl chloride floor coverings with particle based enhanced slip resistance — Specification*

*EN 14041:2018, Resilient, textile, laminate and modular multilayer floor coverings — Essential characteristics*

*EN 14215, Textile floor coverings — Classification of machine-made rugs and runners*

EN 14978, *Laminate floor coverings — Elements with acrylic based surface layer, electron beam cured — Specifications, requirements and test methods*

EN 15468, *Laminate floor coverings — Elements with directly applied printing and resin surface layer — Specifications, requirements and test methods*

EN 16205, *Laboratory measurement of walking noise on floors*

EN 16511 *Loose-laid panels — Semi-rigid multilayer modular floor covering (MMF) panels with wear resistant top layer*

EN 16810, *Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings — Environmental product declarations — Product category rules*

EN 16354, *Laminate floor coverings — Underlays — Specification, requirements and test methods*

EN ISO 354, *Acoustics — Measurement of sound absorption in a reverberation room (ISO 354)*

EN ISO 717-2, *Acoustics — Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements — Part 2: Impact sound insulation (ISO 717-2)*

EN ISO 10833, *Textile floor coverings — Determination of resistance to damage at cut edge using the modified vetterman drum test (ISO 10833)*

EN ISO 10874, *Resilient, textile and laminate floor coverings — Classification (ISO 10874)*

EN ISO 11654, *Acoustics — Sound absorbers for use in buildings — Rating of sound absorption (ISO 11654)*

EN ISO 23997, *Resilient floor coverings — Determination of mass per unit area (ISO 23997)*

EN ISO 24340, *Resilient floor coverings — Determination of thickness of layers (ISO 24340)*

EN ISO 24341, *Resilient and textile floor coverings — Determination of length, width and straightness of sheet (ISO 24341)*

EN ISO 24342, *Resilient and textile floor-coverings — Determination of side length, edge straightness and squareness of tiles (ISO 24342)*

EN ISO 24344, *Resilient floor coverings — Determination of flexibility and deflection (ISO 24344)*

EN ISO 24346, *Resilient floor coverings — Determination of overall thickness (ISO 24346)*

EN ISO 26987, *Resilient floor coverings — Determination of staining and resistance to chemicals (ISO 26987)*

ISO 1765, *Machine-made textile floor coverings — Determination of thickness*

ISO 8302, *Thermal insulation — Determination of steady-state thermal resistance and related properties — Guarded hot plate apparatus*

ISO 8543, *Textile floor coverings — Methods for determination of mass*

ISO 10965, *Textile floor coverings — Determination of electrical resistance*

ISO 24334, *Laminate floor coverings — Determination of locking strength for mechanically assembled panels*

ISO 24337, *Laminate floor coverings — Determination of geometrical characteristics*

ISO 24343 (all parts), *Resilient and laminate floor coverings — Determination of indentation and residual indentation*