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**Fibre ropes — Polyester — 3-, 4-, 8-  
and 12-strand ropes**

*Cordages en fibres — Polyester — Cordages à 3, 4, 8 et 12 torons*



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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- in the Scope, a statement specifying that the document does not cover all variations in strength or product performance has been added;
- in [Clause 3](#), the term "minimum breaking strength" has been added;
- in [Table 1](#), [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#), the tolerances in linear density have been modified.

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# Fibre ropes — Polyester — 3-, 4-, 8- and 12-strand ropes

## 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for 3-strand hawser-laid and 4-strand shroud-laid ropes, 8-strand braided ropes and 12-strand braided ropes for general service made of polyester, and gives rules for their designation.

This document does not cover all variations in strength or product performance. The rope manufacturer is consulted to ensure the intended design meets the requirements of the application.

## 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 1968, *Fibre ropes and cordage — Vocabulary*

ISO 2307, *Fibre ropes — Determination of certain physical and mechanical properties*

ISO 9554, *Fibre ropes — General specifications*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1968 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

#### **minimum breaking strength**

#### **MBS**

force a fibre rope shall at least achieve when tested following a recognized procedure/test method

Note 1 to entry: The MBS is set by each manufacturer, as per their own internal statistical methods based on breaking tests. In ISO 9554:2019, Annex D, two statistical methods are given that can be used to determine the MBS.

[SOURCE: ISO 9554:2019, 3.2]

## 4 Designation

Fibre ropes shall be designated by

- the words “fibre rope”,
- the number of this document, i.e. ISO 1141,
- the construction or type of rope (see [Clause 5](#)),
- the reference number of the rope,
- the material from which the rope is made, and