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## Introduction

This International Standard is the first of a number of standard test methods in the field of clothing comfort.

The physical properties of textile materials which contribute to physiological comfort involve a complex combination of heat and mass transfer. Each may occur separately or simultaneously. They are time-dependent, and may be considered in steady-state or transient conditions.

Thermal resistance is the net result of the combination of radiant, conductive and convective heat transfer, and its value depends on the contribution of each to the total heat transfer. Although it is an intrinsic property of the textile material, its measured value may change through the conditions of test due to the interaction of parameters such as radiant heat transfer with the surroundings.

Several methods exist which may be used to measure heat and moisture properties of textiles, each of which is specific to one or the other and relies on certain assumptions for its interpretation.

The sweating guarded-hotplate (often referred to as the “skin model”) described in this International Standard is intended to simulate the heat and mass transfer processes which occur next to human skin. Measurements involving one or both processes may be carried out either separately or simultaneously using a variety of environmental conditions, involving combinations of temperature, relative humidity, air speed, and in the liquid or gaseous phase. Hence transport properties measured with this apparatus can be made to simulate different wear and environmental situations in both transient and steady-states. In this International Standard only steady-state conditions are selected.

# Textiles — Physiological effects — Measurement of thermal and water-vapour resistance under steady-state conditions (sweating guarded-hotplate test)

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies methods for the measurement of the thermal resistance and water-vapour resistance, under steady-state conditions, of e.g. fabrics, films, coatings, foams and leather, including multilayer assemblies, for use in clothing, quilts, sleeping bags, upholstery and similar textile or textile-like products.

The application of this measurement technique is restricted to a maximum thermal resistance and water-vapour resistance which depend on the dimensions and construction of the apparatus used (e.g. 2 m<sup>2</sup>·K/W and 700 m<sup>2</sup>·Pa/W respectively, for the minimum specifications of the equipment referred to in this International Standard).

The test conditions used in this International Standard are not intended to represent specific comfort situations, and performance specifications in relation to physiological comfort are not stated.

## 2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 2.1

#### thermal resistance

$R_{ct}$

temperature difference between the two faces of a material divided by the resultant heat flux per unit area in the direction of the gradient

Note 1 to entry: It is a quantity specific to textile materials or composites which determines the dry heat flux across a given area in response to a steady applied temperature gradient. The dry heat flux may consist of one or more conductive, convective and radiant components.

Note 2 to entry: Thermal resistance is expressed in square metres kelvin per watt.

### 2.2

#### water-vapour resistance

$R_{et}$

water-vapour pressure difference between the two faces of a material divided by the resultant evaporative heat flux per unit area in the direction of the gradient

Note 1 to entry: It is a quantity specific to textile materials or composites which determines the “latent” evaporative heat flux across a given area in response to a steady applied water-vapour pressure gradient. The evaporative heat flux may consist of both diffusive and convective components.

Note 2 to entry: Water-vapour resistance is expressed in square metres pascal per watt.

### 2.3

#### water-vapour permeability index

$i_{mt}$

ratio of thermal and water-vapour resistances in accordance with Formula (1):

$$i_{mt} = S \cdot \frac{R_{ct}}{R_{et}} \quad (1)$$