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## Foreword

This document (EN 1335-3:2009) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 207 "Furnitures", the secretariat of which is held by UNI.

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This series consist of following parts:

- EN 1335-1, *Office furniture — Office work chair — Part 1: Dimensions — Determination of dimensions*;
- EN 1335-2, *Office furniture — Office work chair — Part 2: Safety requirements*;
- EN 1335-3, *Office furniture — Office work chair — Part 3: Test methods*.

The main changes with respect to the previous edition are listed below:

- a) ISO 21015:2007 has been adopted as far as possible;
- b) loads and cycles for the safety tests have been moved to EN 1335-2;
- c) Annex C includes loads and cycles for functional tests;
- d) seat and back durability test procedures have been significantly changed;
- e) determination of the maximum offset of the backrest has been deleted.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies mechanical test methods for determining the stability, strength and durability of office work chairs.

This European Standard does not specify type approval tests for chair components.

The tests are designed to be applied to an article of furniture that is fully assembled and ready for use.

The tests consist of the application, to various parts of the item, of forces simulating normal functional use, as well as misuse that might reasonably be expected to occur.

The tests are designed to evaluate properties without regard to materials, design/construction or manufacturing processes.

The test results are only valid for the article tested. When the test results are intended to be applied to other similar articles, it is important that the test specimen be representative of the production model.

Tests carried out according to this standard are intended to demonstrate the ability of the item to give satisfactory service in its intended environment. The safety requirements are specified in EN 1335-2 and additional loads, masses and cycles for functional tests can be found in Annex C (informative).

The tests have been developed for units/components that have not been in use. However, when properly justified, they may be used for fault investigation.

Assessment of ageing and degradation is not included. The tests are not intended to assess the durability of upholstery, i.e. filling materials and covers.

Data are given for the design of seat-loading pads in Annex A (normative) and for the design of stability-loading pad in Annex B (normative).

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 1335-2:2009, *Office furniture — Office work chair — Part 2: Safety requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

**3.1**  
**office work chair**  
piece of seating furniture for one person, with a back rest, with or without arm rests, whose upper part, which includes the seat, can rotate in the horizontal plane and can be adjusted in height

NOTE Other adjustments may be included.

**3.2**  
**column**  
office work chair component that connects the base and the seat structure

NOTE A column normally incorporates a seat height adjustment and swivel mechanism.