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**Textiles — Determination of spirality after  
laundering —**

**Part 3:  
Woven and knitted garments**

*Textiles — Détermination du vrillage après lavage —*

*Partie 3: Vêtements tissés et tricotés*



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## Foreword

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ISO 16322 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Textiles — Determination of spirality after laundering*:

- *Part 1: Percentage of wale spirality change in knitted garments*
- *Part 2: Woven and knitted fabrics*
- *Part 3: Woven and knitted garments*

# Textiles — Determination of spirality after laundering —

## Part 3: Woven and knitted garments

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 16322 specifies procedures to measure the spirality or torque of woven and knitted garments after laundering.

The results obtained from different procedures may not be comparable.

This part of ISO 16322 is not intended to measure the spirality of garments as manufactured, but rather the spirality after laundering.

**NOTE** Some fabric constructions, such as denim, may have spirality intentionally introduced during manufacturing. Garments made of fabrics from circular knitting machines may have inherent nonverticality of wale alignment.

### 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.

ISO 139, *Textiles — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing*

ISO 6330, *Textiles — Domestic washing and drying procedures for textile testing*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

#### 3.1 spirality torque

(in garments) rotation, usually lateral, between different panels of a garment resulting from the release of latent stresses during laundering of the woven or knitted fabric forming the garment

**NOTE** The phenomenon is sometimes referred to as twist, for example, denim jean leg twist.

### 4 Principle

Test specimens are prepared, marked and laundered according to specified procedures. Spirality is measured in percentage of a marked distance.