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**Textiles — Tests for colour fastness —**  
**Part E16:**  
**Colour fastness to water spotting on**  
**upholstery fabrics**

*Textiles — Essais de solidité des teintures —*

*Partie E16: Solidité des teintures à la goutte d'eau sur les étoffes  
d'ameublement*



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## Foreword

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## Introduction

The test method in this part of ISO 105 is intended to reflect the effect of water spotting on upholstery fabrics. This method differs from ISO 105-E07 in that a larger amount of water is used and the water is applied under pressure for a longer period of time.

The general principles of testing described in ISO 105-A01 should be understood before using this part of ISO 105.

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# Textiles — Tests for colour fastness —

Part E16:

## Colour fastness to water spotting on upholstery fabrics

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 105 describes a method for assessing the effect of water spotting on upholstery fabrics of all kinds, including natural, bleached, dyed and printed fabrics.

The method is suitable for determining the resistance of a furniture fabric's colour to water spotting or staining.

### 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 105-A02, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A02: Grey scale for assessing change in colour*

ISO 105-A03, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A03: Grey scale for assessing staining*

ISO 105-A04, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A04: Method for the instrumental assessment of the degree of staining of adjacent fabrics*

ISO 105-A05, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A05: Instrumental assessment of change in colour for determination of grey scale rating*

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

ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods*

### 3 Principle

The surface of a limited area of a specimen is in contact with water under defined conditions. After drying the specimen, the change in colour and the staining onto white or lighter areas of the specimens are assessed using the grey scales.

### 4 Reagents

4.1 **Deionized or distilled water**, (50 ± 2) °C, Grade 3 water complying with ISO 3696.