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## Foreword

Following a request by the International Wallpaper Manufacturers' Association (IGI), CEN/TC99 was established in 1980 to develop standards for wallcoverings in roll form. The IGI submitted first draft proposals for a vocabulary, and for specifications for wallcoverings for subsequent decoration and for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings.

During its first meeting in 1980, TC99 decided to undertake additional work concerning textile wallcoverings, for which a WG 1 was created, and heavy duty wallcoverings, for which a WG 2 was created. A first proposal for the specification for textile products was put forward by WG 1 for consideration by TC99 at its fifth meeting in Manchester (1985) and developed at a subsequent meeting in Brussels (1988).

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## 0 Introduction

A textile wallcovering is a wallcovering, the front face of which consists of natural or synthetic fibrous or filament materials such as yarns, woven fabrics, knitted fabrics, threads, ropes, braids, felts, etc., which may be attached to a base web. A textile wallcovering should have adequate strength such that it may be hung satisfactorily in accordance with the instructions given by the supplier and using the recommended adhesive.

There are many types of wallcovering and varied processes used in their manufacture. To ensure satisfactory performance, it is important that decorators follow the manufacturer's recommended hanging instructions for each particular product.

Various grades of colour fastness to light of textile wallcoverings are recognized and symbols to indicate these grades are given in this standard, as well as symbols to indicate pattern matching, means of application and methods of subsequent removal from the support. This will facilitate the selection by the user of wallcoverings appropriate to his particular needs and guide the decorator.

Related European standards on the vocabulary and symbols used in the wallcovering industry, for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings, for wallcoverings for subsequent decoration and for heavy duty wallcoverings are also published.

## 1 Object and field of application

This European standard:

- specifies requirements for dimensions, adhesion of yarns and grades of colour fastness to light
- gives the symbols, to be used for marking purposes, for some of these characteristics and also for matching, methods of application and removal
- specifies requirements for marking
- gives the designation system

The marking requirements of this standard are primarily for information of the consumer and to enable optimum use to be made of the product.

This standard applies to textile wallcoverings supplied in rolls for hanging on to walls and ceilings by means of an adhesive covering the whole of the interface between the wallcovering and the support. It does not apply to individual lengths of textile wallcovering cut at the retail point of sale.

Excluded from this standard are rigid materials, materials not attached or not wholly attached by adhesive, and non-decorative wallcoverings such as wall linings or those with special properties, e.g. thermal or acoustic insulation.

Also excluded from this standard are wallpapers, wall vinyls and wallcoverings with a plastics surface, which are dealt with in EN 233 : 1989.

## 2 References

- EN 233 : 1989 Wallcoverings in roll form - Specification for finished wallpapers, wall vinyls and plastics wallcoverings
- EN 235 : 1989 Wallcoverings in roll form - Vocabulary and symbols
- EN 259 Wallcoverings in roll form - Specification for heavy duty wallcoverings
- ISO 3932 - 1976 Textiles - Woven fabrics - Measurement of width of pieces
- ISO 3933 - 1976 Textiles - Woven fabrics - Measurement of length of pieces

## 3 Definitions

The definitions given in EN 235 : 1989 apply.