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## Fibre ropes — General specifications

*Cordages en fibres — Spécifications générales*



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## Foreword

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# Fibre ropes — General specifications

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the general characteristics of fibre ropes and their constituent materials. It is intended to be used in conjunction with the standards for the individual types of fibre rope, which cover the physical properties and specific requirements for that particular product type.

This International Standard also gives some information on the use of fibre ropes and also on their inspection and retirement criteria.

This International Standard does not intend to address all of the safety matters associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user to select a rope type of the size and with the physical properties to meet the requirements of the application and to determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to its use.

## 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 1140, *Fibre ropes — Polyamide — 3-, 4- and 8-strand ropes*

ISO 1141, *Fibre ropes — Polyester — 3-, 4- and 8-strand ropes*

ISO 1968, *Fibre ropes and cordage — Vocabulary*

ISO 2307, *Fibre ropes — Determination of certain physical and mechanical properties*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1968 apply.

## 4 Manufacture

### 4.1 Constituent materials

The following materials are considered in this International Standard:

a) natural fibres:

- sisal;
- manila;
- hemp;