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**Footwear — Test methods for  
accessories: Touch and close  
fasteners — Peel strength before and  
after repeated closing**

*Chaussures — Méthodes d'essai pour accessoires: fermetures  
auto-agrippantes — Résistance au pelage avant et après un usage  
répété*



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## 1 Scope

This document specifies a test method for determining the peel strength of touch and close fasteners before and after repeated 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.

EN 12222, *Footwear - Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing of footwear and components for footwear*

EN 12240, *Touch and close fasteners — Determination of the overall and effective widths of tapes and the effective width of a closure*

EN ISO 7500-1, *Metallic materials — Verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Verification and calibration of the force-measuring system (ISO 7500-1:2004)*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **peel strength**

force per unit effective width required to separate the two tapes forming the specified closure from an open edge under the specified conditions of test

### 3.2

#### **effective width**

width of the pile at 90° to the length of the tape and which does not include the selvage

## 4 Principle

### 4.1 Peel strength

Both parts of a touch and close fastener are pressed together under controlled conditions, and the average force required to peel them apart along their length from either end is measured with a tensile testing machine. This procedure is then repeated with one of the parts of the fastener turned through 180°

### 4.2 Peel strength after repeated opening and closing

A touch and close fastener is repeatedly opened and closed a standard number of times by a machine. The peel strength is then measured by repeating the test described in 4.1.