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**Geosynthetics — Determination of  
compression behaviour —**

**Part 1:  
Compressive creep properties**

*Géosynthétiques — Détermination du comportement en  
compression —*

*Partie 1: Propriétés de fluage en compression*





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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 25619-1:2008) which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- normative references have been updated;
- dimension and shape of the specimen for different types of geosynthetics have been introduced;
- calculation of the correct area for structure in which loading is resisted at defined points or at defined lines have been introduced;
- the drawing of a test apparatus for compressive shear test that was not described in the test has been deleted.

A list of all parts in the ISO 25619 series can be found on the ISO website.

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# Geosynthetics — Determination of compression behaviour —

## Part 1: Compressive creep properties

### 1 Scope

This document specifies index test methods for determining the compressive creep properties of geosynthetic products. The test specimens are subjected either to normal compressive loading or to a combination of normal compressive loading and shear loading.

The test method with a normal load only (see [Clause 5](#)) is the standard method.

The test method in which combined normal and shear loads are applied (see [Clause 6](#)) is intended for products that are sensitive to shear failure, i.e. which have a columnar or cusped structure.

The tests are carried out on dry specimens or on specimens immersed in water. The test is intended to be carried out with the specimen immersed in water when any part of the geosynthetic product contains a hydrophilic polymer.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 554, *Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing — Specifications*

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

ISO 9862, *Geosynthetics — Sampling and preparation of test specimens*

ISO 9863-1, *Geosynthetics — Determination of thickness at specified pressures — Part 1: Single layers*

ISO 10318-1, *Geosynthetics — Part 1: Terms and definitions*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10318-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1

##### thickness

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distance between the two rigid plates in contact with the specimen at any stage of the test

Note 1 to entry: See [Figures 1](#) and [2](#).