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# Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of resistance to penetration by water

*Supports textiles revêtus de caoutchouc ou de plastique — Détermination de la résistance à la pénétration de l'eau*

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# Foreword

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# Introduction

The resistance to penetration by water is often used as a measure of the water-proofing of rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics when a product made from the coated fabric is exposed to various service conditions in the field. There are some environmental factors that affect the resistance to water penetration such as temperature, pressure or chemicals in water, however, the methods in this International Standard only measure the property at a low to high hydrostatic pressure level at ambient temperature.

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## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies two methods for the determination of the resistance of rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics to water penetration (hydrostatic resistance) when subjected to a specific hydrostatic pressure over a fixed period of time. Method A specifies the procedure for a low and high hydrostatic pressure and Method B for a low hydrostatic pressure.

## 2 Normative references

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ISO 2231:1989, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing*

ISO 2286-1, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of roll characteristics — Part 1: Methods for determination of length, width and net mass*

## 3 Principle

A test piece of coated fabric is subjected to an increasing pressure of water on one face, under standard conditions, until a predetermined pressure specified in the coated-fabric specification is obtained. The required pressure is maintained for a specified time or until penetration occurs, whichever is the sooner.

## 4 Apparatus

### 4.1 Method A

**4.1.1** The apparatus shall consist of a test piece supporting plate fitted with a clamp tightening ring to fasten the test piece over the mouth by use of an upper screw handle. The lower part of the vessel shall have a pressure gauge and a nozzle connected with a cylinder that has a mechanical system delivering high pressure water. The other side of the cylinder shall be connected with a water inlet pipe through a three-way valve. The whole system shall have a capability of holding a hydrostatic pressure of 500 kPa at an ambient temperature for a certain period of time. Illustrative examples of the parts of apparatus are given in Figures 1, 2 and 3.