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#### **PREFACE**

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee on Testing of Textiles to supersede AS 2001.4.6—1978, Methods of test for textiles, Method, 4.6: Colourfastness tests—Determination of colourfastness to hot pressing. It is one of a series for determining the colour fastness of textiles to various agents.

Changes from the previous edition include the use of a pressing apparatus instead of a hand iron and the revision of the use of the undyed cotton cloths.

This series of methods is largely based on the work of a technical committee of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO/TC 38/SC 1), adapted to suit Australian conditions.

### **METHOD**

1 SCOPE. This Standard sets out methods for determining the colour fastness of textiles to hot pressing. Nine tests are described, comprising tests for dry, damp and wet pressing, each at three temperatures.

This Standard applies to all textiles in all forms, provided that the textile is capable of withstanding the test conditions.

**2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS.** The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

2001 Methods of test for textiles

2001.1 Method 1: Conditioning procedures

2001.4.1 Method 4.1: Colourfastness tests—Definitions and general requirements

- **3 PRINCIPLE.** A test specimen in contact with undyed cloths is pressed. The change in colour of the specimen and the degree of staining of the undyed cloths are assessed.
- 4 REAGENT. Distilled or deionized water is required.
- 5 APPARATUS.
- **5.1 Conditioning facility** means of providing and maintaining a standard atmosphere as described in AS 2001.1, if required.
- **5.2 Pressing apparatus\***—consisting of upper and lower smooth parallel plates. The upper plate shall be capable of maintaining the temperatures shown in Table 1, and shall apply a pressure of  $4 \pm 1$  kPa to the test specimen.
- **5.3** Press pad—not less than  $100 \text{ mm} \times 50 \text{ mm}$ , consisting of two layers of undyed wool cloth as specified in AS 2001.4.1.

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<sup>\*</sup> A suitable apparatus can be obtained from Atlas Electrical Devices Company, U.S.A. (Scorch Tester).