
**Textiles — Determination of spirality
after laundering —**

**Part 2:
Woven and knitted fabrics**

*Textiles — Détermination du vrillage après lavage —
Partie 2: Étoffes tissées ou tricotées*





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- [Figures 5](#) and [7](#) have been corrected.

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Textiles — Determination of spirality after laundering —

Part 2: Woven and knitted fabrics

1 Scope

This document specifies three procedures (diagonal marking, inverted-T marking and mock-garment marking) to measure the spirality or torque of woven and knitted fabrics after domestic laundering.

The results obtained from different procedures will not always be comparable.

This document is not intended to measure the spirality of fabrics as manufactured, but rather the spirality after laundering.

NOTE Some fabric constructions, such as denim, can have spirality intentionally introduced during manufacturing. Fabrics made on circular knitting machines can have inherent nonverticality of wale alignment.

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 139, *Textiles — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing*

ISO 6330, *Textiles — Domestic washing and drying procedures for textile testing*

3 Terms and definitions

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

spirality

torque

<in textiles> fabric condition, wherein filling yarns or knitted courses are angularly displaced from a line perpendicular to the edge or side of a fabric or garment

4 Principle

Test specimens are cut, prepared, marked, and laundered according to specified procedures. Spirality is measured in millimetres, percentage of a marked distance, or angle of nonverticality.

5 Apparatus

5.1 Automatic washing machine, as described in ISO 6330, the type agreed upon between parties.