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Foreword

This revision of this British Standard has been prepared under the direction of the Clothing Standards Committee. It supersedes the 1974 edition which is now withdrawn. The information in this standard is taken from two international standards ISO 3637:1977 and ISO 4416:1981, published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and developed by ISO/TC 133, Sizing systems and designations for clothes. The information on girls' wear given in these two international standards is contained in BS 3728.

This is the third edition of this British Standard. The first edition, published in 1963, introduced a scheme for designating the size of women's outerwear. The second metric edition was published in 1974. The size coding scheme established was so successful that it was agreed to incorporate this into this third edition, and it is recommended that this national size code is used in conjunction with the control body measurements agreed within ISO/TC 133.

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