

Specification for Tickings

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- National Bed Federation Limited
- Retail Consortium
- Scottish Textile and Technical Centre Ltd.
- Textile Research Council (FCRA)
- Westend Furnishing Fabrics Association

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Foreword

This British Standard has been prepared under the direction of the Furniture and Household Equipment Standards Policy Committee and supersedes BS 2036:1962, BS 2732:1961 and BS 4820:1972, which are withdrawn.

In this standard, requirements are specified for tickings which are suitable for use in the public sector, in contract applications and for domestic use. Appendix A gives a method for determining elongation at 100 N and Appendix B gives supplementary information on mass per unit area.

Requirements for tickings for use in the public sector and in contract applications were previously specified in BS 2732 from which this British Standard differs, in that general requirements have been introduced irrespective of fibre type or fabric construction to allow the use of fabrics other than those more rigidly defined by fibre type and construction in BS 2732. However, some of the fabrics contained in BS 2732 are still in use, therefore, the finished particulars of these fabrics have been retained for reference in Appendix C of this standard.

Requirements for domestic tickings were previously specified in two British Standards, BS 2036 which covered the constructions of ticking fabric and BS 4820 which specified performance requirements for coverings not included in BS 2036. The passage of time and the introduction of other materials has rendered much of BS 2036 obsolete. It was also considered that a standard based on performance rather than construction was preferable to allow for the development and use of other materials.

Many properties cannot be specified objectively and cannot therefore be included in the specification. Examples of such properties include colour, handle, appearance and details of additional design features. Purchasing authorities may be able to supply standard patterns which cover these properties and would thereby serve to resolve any ambiguities of description.

Flammability requirements are not included in this standard, as the flammability of tickings can only be measured satisfactorily in combination with the fillings that will be used in made-up mattresses, divans, bed bases, etc. Attention is drawn to BS 7177.

A British Standard does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a contract. Users of British Standards are responsible for their correct application.

Compliance with a British Standard does not of itself confer immunity from legal obligations. In particular, attention is drawn to Statutory Instrument 1986 No. 26 Trade Descriptions, the Textile Products (Indications of Fibre Content) Regulations 1986.

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