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Foreword

This British Standard has been prepared under the direction of the Textiles and Clothing Standards Policy Committee. It specifies the chemical and physical properties of bookbinding leather where the overall priority is long term stability when exposed to atmospheric pollutants. It is based on data obtained from long term natural ageing of leathers and accelerated ageing in a deterioration chamber. It provides purchasers of new binding leather with an assurance of archival quality leather. Further information on the background to this standard is given in Appendix A.

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