

Feather and down — Composition labelling of processed feathers and down for use as sole filling material

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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 222, Feather and down as filling material for any article, as well as finished articles filled with feather and down, the Secretariat of which is held by UNI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by April 2000.

Annex A is informative.

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Introduction

Fillings of feather and down have not been covered by national standards dealing with denomination and composition in all CEN countries. Where standards exist they often differ from each other. This inevitably presented an obstacle to the market or could lead the final consumer to incorrect interpretations.

To obtain an unambiguous labelling the following items have been worked up:

- denominations of the components of the plumage and of the fowl species;
- information to be stated on labels and in commercial documents;
- assessment of whether test results indicate conformity to the labelling based upon a stipulated tolerance.

1 Scope

This standard establishes provisions for the labelling of the composition of the components of the plumage for use as fillings and of the fowl species from which such components are derived (waterfowl or landfowl).

It is applicable to finished feather and down materials, used as fillings of manufactured articles, at each stage in their commercial distribution.

This standard is not applicable for fillings totally containing more than 0,5% of foreign matter (**3.6**).

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 1883 Feather and down - Sampling in view of tests

EN 1885:1998 Feather and down - Terms and definitions

EN 12131 Feather and down - Test methods - Determination of the quantitative composition of feather and down (manual method).

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard, the definitions given in EN 1885 and the following apply. Moreover, the following clarifications as completion of it are given.

3.1 down

plumage inclusive of:

- down (EN 1885:1998, **2.12**);
- nestling down (EN 1885:1998, **2.14**);
- plumule (EN 1885:1998, **2.16**);