
**Textiles — Tests for colour fastness —
Part F09:
Specification for cotton rubbing cloth**

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Partie F09: Spécifications pour le tissu témoin de frottement en coton

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Textiles — Tests for colour fastness —

Part F09: Specification for cotton rubbing cloth

1 Scope

This part of ISO 105 specifies a cotton rubbing cloth which can be used for the assessment of staining in colour fastness to rubbing tests. The staining properties of the cotton rubbing cloth under test are assessed against a cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric, using a cotton dyed reference fabric, both of which are available from a specified source.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 105-A02, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A02: Grey scale for assessing change in colour*

ISO 105-A05, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part A05: Instrumental assessment of change in colour for determination of grey scale rating*

ISO 105-F02:2009, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part F02: Specification for cotton and viscose adjacent fabrics*

ISO 105-J01, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part J01: General principles for measurement of surface colour*

ISO 105-J02, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part J02: Instrumental assessment of relative whiteness*

ISO 105-X12, *Textiles — Tests for colour fastness — Part X12: Colour fastness to rubbing*

ISO 3071, *Textiles — Determination of pH of aqueous extract*

ISO 3801, *Textiles — Woven fabrics — Determination of mass per unit length and mass per unit area*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

cotton rubbing cloth under test

cotton rubbing cloth complying with the requirements in Clause 4

3.2

cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric

cotton reference cloth reference fabric complying with the requirements in Clause 4

NOTE Cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric is only available from Testfabrics Inc., PO Box 26, West Pittston, PA 18643 USA; Tel: +1.570.603-0432; Fax: +1.570.603-0433; email: info@testfabrics.com.

3.3

cotton dyed reference fabric

cotton reference fabric complying with ISO 105-F02 and dyed with C.I. Direct Blue 71

NOTE Cotton dyed reference fabric is only available from l'Institut francais du textile et de l'habillement, Direction régionale Est, 25, rue Alfred Werner, 68059 Mulhouse Cedex 2, France

4 Specification for cotton rubbing cloth

The fabric shall have the following properties.

4.1 Mass per unit area: $(110 \pm 5) \text{ g/m}^2$, determined in accordance with ISO 3801.

4.2 Whiteness value: $Y_{10} = 89 \pm 2$

$$W_{10} = 78 \pm 3$$

$$T_{10} = -1 \pm 1$$

Measurements shall be made with the specular component included in accordance with ISO 105-J01, excluding 0/45 (45/0). Luminance (Y_{10}), whiteness (W_{10}) and tint (T_{10}) values shall be calculated using CIE standard illuminant D65 and CIE 1964 supplementary standard colorimetric observer (10° observer) in accordance with ISO 105-J02.

Measure the whiteness degree of at least a four-layer cotton rubbing cloth to obtain a uniform whiteness measurement.

4.3 Residual oil content: less than 1 %.

4.4 The pH of the aqueous extract: the pH shall be $7,5 \pm 1,0$ when determined by the method specified in ISO 3071.

NOTE Information about the production of the cotton rubbing cloth is included in a report by the co-secretariats of ISO/TC 38/SC 1.

5 Assessment of staining properties of cotton rubbing cloth under test

5.1 General

As cotton rubbing cloths are required to yield reproducible results when used in colour fastness to rubbing tests, their most important property is standardized staining characteristics. The staining characteristics of the cotton rubbing cloth under test shall conform to those of the cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric when performing colour fastness to rubbing tests on the cotton dyed reference fabric.

5.2 Test procedure

Conduct tests in accordance with ISO 105-X12, using the cotton dyed reference fabric, with ten pieces of cotton rubbing cloth under test and with ten pieces of cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric.

NOTE Information about the production of the cotton dyed reference fabric is included in a report by the co-secretariats of ISO/TC 38/SC 1.

5.3 Performance requirements

The colour difference between the mean of the ten pieces of cotton rubbing cloth under test and the mean of the ten pieces of cotton rubbing cloth reference fabric shall not be greater than 4-5 when evaluated using the grey scale for assessing change in colour, in accordance with ISO 105-A02 or ISO 105-A05.

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