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1 Scope

This standard defines the various measuring points used to determine the dimensions of various categories of garments.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this standard. All standards are subject to revision, and since any reference to a standard is deemed to be a reference to the latest edition of that standard, parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to take steps to ensure the use of the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Information on currently valid national and international standards can be obtained from Standards South Africa.

SANS 1382-1 (SABS 1382-1), *Hose – Part 1: Men's and women's hose for institutional use.*

SANS 5766, *Measurements of girth and length extended dimensions of pantyhose.*

SANS 10004, *Terms and definitions for textiles and textile merchandise.*

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard, the relevant definitions given in SANS 10004 apply.

4 Garment categories

For the purposes of this standard, the garments covered are divided into the following categories:

- Category A** – Coats and similar items of outerwear that cover the whole or only the upper part of the body, e.g. overcoats, jackets, raincoats, blazers, uniform tunics.
- Category B** – Trousers and similar garments that cover only the lower part of the body, e.g. shorts, slacks, long underpants and tracksuit pants.
- Category C** – Sleeveless tailored garments of the waistcoat type that cover only the upper part of the body.
- Category D** – Shirts and similar items of outerwear for men, women and children that cover only the upper part of the body.
- Category E** – Dresses, gowns and similar items of outerwear for women and girls that cover the whole body.