

Domestic furniture — Seating — Test methods for the determination of durability of upholstery

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National foreword

This Draft for Development is the official English language version of ENV 14443:2004.

This publication is not to be regarded as a British Standard.

It is being issued in the Draft for Development series of publications and is of a provisional nature because the European test method has been developed in order that laboratories and manufacturers can carry out testing of upholstered seating in the same manner so that test results may be compared.

It has been the intention to include an annex with test methods for textiles and leather, but suitable CEN standards are not yet available.

This European Pre-standard does not include test methods for arms and backs of upholstered furniture. During the ENV period (3 years) member countries are asked to investigate into the need for such test methods and if needed to submit proposals for the future revision.

It should be applied on this provisional basis, so that information and experience of its practical application may be obtained.

Comments arising from the use of this Draft for Development are requested so that UK experience can be reported to the European organization responsible for its conversion to a European Standard. A review of this publication will be initiated 2 years after its publication by the European organization so that a decision can be taken on its status at the end of its 3-year life. Notification of the start of the review period will be made in an announcement in the appropriate issue of *Update Standards*.

According to the replies received by the end of the review period, the responsible BSI Committee will decide whether to support the conversion into a European Standard, to extend the life of the Technical Specification or to withdraw it. Comments should be sent in writing to the Secretary of BSI Technical Committee FW/2, Domestic and Contract Furniture, at 389 Chiswick High Road, London W4 4AL, giving the document reference and clause number and proposing, where possible, an appropriate revision of the text.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

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