

Medical compression hosiery

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National foreword

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It is being issued in the Draft for Development series of publications and is of a provisional nature because it is most unlikely that the method of testing the durability of hosiery that has been in course of development in the European committee CEN/TC 205/WG 2 will now be completed. However it is believed that the requirements and recommendations of this DD ENV as it stands will be valuable to industry and the user, in particular to allow acquisition of experience of the compression classes and the use of the method for measuring compression. This experience will be taken into account together with any aspects of durability testing when reviewing this DD ENV. DD ENV 12718 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 into 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 three-year life. The commencement of the review period will be notified by an announcement in *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 prestandard or to withdraw it. Comments should be sent in writing to the Secretary of BSI Technical Committee CH/39, Compression hosiery and elastic hose supports, 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.

Attention is drawn to DD ENV 12719 *Medical thrombosis prophylaxis hosiery* and the following related British Standards: BS 6612:1985 *Specification for graduated compression hosiery*, BS 7563:1999 *Specification for non-prescriptive graduated support hosiery* and BS 7672:1993 *Specification for compression, stiffness and labelling of anti-embolism hosiery*.

Cross-references

The British Standards which implement international or European publications referred to in this document may be found in the BSI Standards Catalogue under the section entitled "International Standards Correspondence Index", or by using the "Find" facility of the BSI Standards Electronic Catalogue.

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