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FOREWORD

This standard was approved by the Sectoral Committee on Textiles, clothing and leather and was authorized for adoption and publication as a Sri Lanka Standard by the Council of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution on 1994-03-31.

Raw hides and skins deteriorate in quality due to different antimortem and postmortem defects. Curing is one of the postmortem treatments which influence the quality of hides and skins to a considerable extent. Under tropical conditions delay in cure or an inadequate cure often leads to putrefactive changes in hides and skins due to autolytic and bacterial enzymes.

This code of practice has been prepared to provide guidelines to be followed in curing of hides and skins with a view to upgrading their quality.

In the preparation of this code of practice, the valuable assistance derived from the following publications is gratefully acknowledged :

- ISO 2821 : 1974 Leather - Raw hides of cattle and horse  
-Preservation by stack salting.  
IS 7656 : 1985 - Code of Practice for curing and preservation of  
cattle hides and goat and sheep skins by wet salting  
method.

1 SCOPE

This code of practice recommends practices to be observed in wet salting method of curing of cow and buffalo hides and goat, sheep and calf skins.

2 REFERENCE

- SLS 1015. Glossary of terms for leather.