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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 1994-11-24.

The quality of raw hides and skins may differ considerably due to various influencing factors such as breed, feeding, living conditions, sex, age and health of the animals, substance (thickness of the hide or skin), appearance of hair, grain defects, flaying, curing, storage and transportation of hides and skins. The selection is generally based on the area, mass, substance, surface defects on grain and flesh sides and general appearance of the hide or skin. It is well recognized that no single test method is capable of evaluating hides and skins and the most accepted method of grading is to examine visually and by physical handling.

This standard has been prepared to provide a prompt and an easy method of assessing the quality of raw hides and skins.

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

- IS 9159 : 1979 Guidelines for grading of raw hides and skins.
- IS 12435 : 1988 Guidelines for grading of hides and skins on the basis of mass and size.

1 SCOPE

This standard prescribes guidelines for assessment of wet salted raw cattle hides and goat, sheep and calf skins by visual evaluation.

2 REFERENCES

- SLS 1013:1994 Code of practice for curing and preservation of hides and skins.
- SLS 1015:1994 Glossary of terms for leather.
- SLS 1020:1994 Method of trimming of raw hides