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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 1996-10-17.

On garments it is necessary that the information regarding care labelling, the size of garment and other information be given on the labels. The positioning of labels is equally important so as to convey the information without causing much inconvenience to the user of a garment. But as a variety of garments made to different users and end-uses with number of designs and patterns is available, labels in the form of main labels, size labels, care labels or informative labels may be positioned varyingly.

As garments are highly customer-oriented, it has been the practice in the industry that the labels are placed in positions as agreed to between interested parties, basically on buyer's instructions. Apart from that the positions selected in the garments for labelling, especially the main labels should be in prominent places which could be readily seen outside after the garment is packed. This standard guide which prescribes labelling positions of garments currently in practice would assist both users and suppliers to maintain uniformity in labeling of garments.

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

IS 10194 : 1982 Indian Standard Guide for positioning of labels in garments

1 SCOPE

This standard describes the positioning of labels in garments

2 REFERENCE

SLS 335 Code for care labelling of textiles using symbols.

3 REQUIREMENTS

3.1 The labels on garments shall not be visible from outside and inconvenient to the wearer. They shall be easy to find and not hidden away which would otherwise lead to difficulties in conveying information.

3.2 The symbols and letters on the labels shall always be legible.

3.3 The labels for each article unless otherwise agreed to between the purchaser and the supplier shall be positioned as given in 4.

NOTE

1 It is not always possible to have only one label due to the type of manufacture, material and fashion requirements of the garments. Therefore, it is permitted to have other information on a second label positioned along side the main label or as prescribed in 4.

2 Main label may carry information with respect to material composition, size of garment, brand name, if any etc. and other information including care labelling may be in the second label.

3 Size label denoting the size of garment in units or by letters like XL, L, M, S or else may either be with or incorporated into the main label or the second label.

3.3.1 When an article comprises of two or more parts, each part should carry labels.

3.3.2 Labels carrying any information with respect to care labelling shall be in compliance with the requirements given in SLS 335.

4 POSITIONING OF LABELS IN GARMENTS

TABLE 1 - Clothing for women and girls

Sl. No.	Type of garment	Position of label	
		Main label	Second label
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(i)	Constructed jacket	Centre back of the neck or scye line on the facing	Centre back of the neck or scye line on the facing
(ii)	Dresses	Centre back of the neck facing	Side seam of bottom of the front facing
(iii)	Blouses and Shirts	Centre back of the neck	Centre back of the neck
(iv)	Skirts	Centre back of the waist	Centre back of the waist or side seam
(v)	T-shirts	Centre back of the neck	Centre back of the neck or side seam
(vi)	Trousers	Centre back of the waist band or hip pocket	Centre back of the waist band or hip pocket
(vii)	Overalls/Pinafore dresses	Front bib	Side seam
(viii)	Jump suits	Centre back of the neck	Side seam
(ix)	Underwear	Side seam	Side seam
(x)	Aprons	Centre front of the waist	Centre front of the waist
(xi)	Romper (with centre back zipper)	Centre back of the neck	Centre back of the neck or side seam

TABLE 2 - Clothing for men and boys

Sl. No. (1)	Type of garment (2)	Position of label	
		Main label (3)	Second label (4)
(i)	Formal jacket	Inside breast pocket	Inside breast pocket or side seam
(ii)	Sports jackets	Inside breast pocket	Inside breast pocket or side seam
(iii)	Overalls/Work suits	Left, inside breast pocket, if there is no pocket, on the lining or on the facing at left side	Side seam, 10 cm above the waist
(iv)	Trousers	Right hip pocket, if there is no pocket, on the waist band at the back	Right hip pocket, if there is no pocket, on the waist band at the back
(v)	Shirts	Centre back of the yoke or centre back of the collar band	Left side seam
(vi)	Ties	Back of the tie 10 cm above the vent	---
(vii)	Pre-packed shorts	Inside centre back of the waist band	Left of the main label
(viii)	Pre-packed vests	Top centre back	Top centre back
(ix)	T-shirts	Centre back of the neck	Centre back of the neck or left side seam
(x)	Underwear	Waist band	Waist band
(xi)	Shorts/Pants	Waist band	Waist band

TABLE 3 - Clothing common for women, men, girls and boys

Sl. No.	Type of garment	Position of label	
		Main label	Second label
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(i)	Pullovers	Centre back of the neck seam	Side seam
(ii)	Knitted waistcoats	Centre back of the neck seam	Side seam
(iii)	Knitted jackets	Centre back of the neck seam	Side seam
(iv)	Anoraks	Centre back of the neck seam	Side seam or inside the pocket
(v)	Reversible anoraks	Inside the pocket	Inside the pocket
(vi)	Track suits, tops and bottoms	Tops - Centre back of the neck Bottoms - Inside centre back of the waist band	Left side of the main label or side seam
(vii)	Play suit	Front bib	Side seam
(viii)	Nightwear for men, women and children	Centre back of the neck seam	Left side, centre back of the neck seam
(ix)	Dressing gowns	Centre back of the neck seam	Left side, centre back of the neck seam
(x)	Housecoats	Centre back of the neck seam	Left side, centre back of the neck seam
(xi)	Bath Robes	Centre back of the neck seam	Left side, centre back of the neck seam
(xii)	Sweat shirts	Centre back of the collar	Neck seam or side seam
(xiii)	Pyjama	Top - Centre back of the neck Bottom - Centre back of the waist	Top - Centre back of the neck Bottom - Centre back of the waist
(ivx)	Cardigans	Centre back of the neck	Centre back of the neck or side seam

Sl. No.	Type of garment	Position of label	
		Main label	Second label
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(xv)	Shawls, neck chiefs and scarves	Bottom hem fold	Bottom hem fold
(xvi)	Woven and knitted gloves	Wrist	Wrist

TABLE 4 - Corsetry

Sl. No.	Type of garment	Position of label	
		Main label	Second label
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(i)	Brassieres	Side seam	Side seam
(ii)	Stretch girdles, short or long	Top centre back	Top centre back
(iii)	Stretch panty girdles, short or long	Top centre back	Top centre back
(iv)	Stretch/non stretch corselettes	Side seam	Side seam
(v)	Woven corselettes (Non-stretch)	Back left, at the lower edge	Back left, at the lower edge
(vi)	Athletic support (Non stretch)	Back left, at the lower edge	Back left, at the lower edge
(vii)	Suspender belt (Non-stretch)	Back left, at the lower edge	Back left, at the lower edge
(viii)	Tights	Centre back	Centre back, left
(xi)	Stockings and socks	Packing	Packing

TABLE 5 - Swimwear

Sl. No. (1)	Type of garment (2)	Position of label	
		Main label (3)	Second label (4)
	<u>Women and girls</u>		
(i)	One piece	Top of the left side seam	Top of the left side seam
(ii)	Two piece Top Bottom	Top of the left side seam Top of the left side seam	Top of the left side seam Top of the left side seam
	<u>Men and boys</u>		
(iii)	Swimming trunks	Left side seam	Left side seam
(iv)	Swim shorts	Inside centre back or liner side seam	Liner side seam

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