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## Foreword

This document (EN 13956:2012) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 254 "Flexible sheets for waterproofing", the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2012, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by June 2012.

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The main technical changes are:

- limitation of external fire performance to Class F;
- new extended mounting and fixing rules;
- introduction of indirect testing for factory production control.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the definitions and characteristics of plastic and rubber sheets including sheets made out of their blends and alloys (thermoplastic rubber) for which the intended use is roof waterproofing. It specifies the requirements and test methods and provides for the evaluation of conformity of the products with the requirements of this European Standard.

NOTE For typical materials and applications, see Annex E.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 495-5, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of foldability at low temperature — Part 5: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

EN 1107-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of dimensional stability — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

CEN/TS 1187, *Test methods for external fire exposure to roofs*

EN 1297:2004, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Bitumen, plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing — Method of artificial ageing by long term exposure to the combination of UV radiation, elevated temperature and water*

EN 1548, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing — Method for exposure to bitumen*

EN 1844, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of resistance to ozone — Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

EN 1847, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing — Methods for exposure to liquid chemicals, including water*

EN 1848-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of length, width, straightness and flatness — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

EN 1849-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of thickness and mass per unit area — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets*

EN 1850-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of visible defects — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

EN 1928, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Bitumen, plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing — Determination of watertightness*

EN 1931, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Bitumen, plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing — Determination of water vapour transmission properties*

EN 12310-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of resistance to tearing — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*

EN 12311-2, *Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Determination of tensile properties — Part 2: Plastic and rubber sheets for roof waterproofing*