



Standard Guide for Textile Fibers¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This guide lists fibers used to manufacture textile products.

1.2 Specific groups of fibers are identified using tables of standard classification.

1.2.1 Animal fibers are identified by commercial name, biological name, end use, and geographic source.

1.2.2 Vegetable fibers are identified by commercial name, botanical name, staple length or description, and geographic source.

1.2.3 Mineral fibers are identified by commercial name, mineralogical name, chemical description, and geographic source.

1.2.4 Manufactured fibers are identified by commercial name, generic name, and major component.

1.3 Major fiber types used for textile purposes are further classified.

1.3.1 Manufactured fibers are identified as having either an organic base or inorganic base.

1.3.2 Natural fibers are identified as having a cellulosic, protein, or mineral base.

1.4 A glossary of generic names and definitions for manufactured fibers is included as additional information.

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2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

D123 *Terminology Relating to Textiles*

2.2 *ISO Standards*:

ISO 2076:1999 (E) *Textiles—Man-made Fibers—Generic Names*

2.3 *Other Documents*:

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 16, Section 303.7

3. Terminology

3.1 For definitions of textile terms used in the guide see Terminology D123.

4. Significance and Use

4.1 This guide is intended for use as a reference to improve the understanding of the relationship between commercial name, fiber identification and geographical regions of fiber origins that make up the composition of textile products.

4.2 This guide is intended to be used as a source of information only.

4.2.1 Detailed analysis, to verify specific data related to the composition of a particular fiber, may be necessary.

5. Animal (Protein Base) Fibers

5.1 See Table 1.

² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

TABLE 1 Animal (Protein-Base) Fibers

	Commercial and Biological Name ^A	Use	Geographical Regions
ALPACA WOOL	<i>Llama glama</i>	textiles	South America, North America
American ring tail	<i>Bassariscusbacus astutus</i>	soft brushes	North America
Angora	See Rabbit, Angora, Mohair		
Badger	<i>Meles meles</i>	soft brushes	Asia, Europe
	{ <i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	textiles, soft	Asia
	{ <i>Camelus bactrianus</i>	textiles, coarse	Asia
CAMEL HAIR			
"Camel hair"	See Squirrel	soft brushes	Asia, North America
CASHMERE HAIR	<i>Caprahircus sp</i> (Goat)	textiles	Asia
Cattle hair	<i>Bos taurus</i>	upholstery	Asia, Europe
"Civet," "Black Sable"	See Spotted Skunk		
"Fitch"	<i>Mephitis mephitis et al</i> (Skunk)	soft brushes	North America
Fox	<i>Vulpes fulva</i>	stuffing	North America, Europe

TABLE 1 *Continued*

Commercial and Biological Name ^A		Use	Geographical Regions
Genet	<i>Genetta</i>	soft brushes	Africa, Asia, Europe
Goat hair	<i>Capra sp</i>	soft brushes	Asia
Hog bristle	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	paint brushes	Asia, North America
Horse hair, body	<i>Equus caballus</i>	upholstery, felts	Asia, Europe, North America, South America
Horse hair, mane and tail	<i>Equus caballus</i>	upholstery	Asia, Europe
Kolinsky	See Sable, red		
LLAMA WOOL	<i>Llama glama</i>	textiles	South America
Mink	See Sable, red		
MOHAIR	<i>Caprahircus</i> (Angora goat)	textiles	Asia, Africa, North America
Muskrat, Northern	<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>	textiles	North America, Russia
Muskrat, Southern	<i>Ondatra rivalicia</i>	textiles	North America
Ox hair, ear	<i>Bos taurus</i>	soft brushes	Asia, Europe, North America
Pony	<i>Equus caballus</i>	soft brushes, felts	Asia
RABBIT, COMMON	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	fur felt	Australia, Europe, Asia, North America
RABBIT, ANGORA	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	textiles	Europe, North America
Sable, red	<i>Mustela sibirica</i> (Kolinsky, China Mink, Jap Mink)	soft brushes, stuffing	Asia
SHEEP WOOL	<i>Ovis aries et al.</i>	textiles	all continents
Skunk	See "Fitch"		
Skunk, Spotted	<i>Spilogale sp</i>	soft brushes	North America
Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris et al.</i>	soft brushes	Asia, North America
SILK	<i>Bombyx mori</i>	textiles	Asia, Europe
SILK, TUSSAH	<i>Antheraea paphia et al.</i>	textiles	Asia
VICUNA WOOL	<i>Lama vicugna</i>	textiles	South America

^A The most common names are in capital letters; biological names are in italics.

6. Vegetable Fibers

6.1 See Tables 2-4.

TABLE 2 Vegetable Fibers: Seed and Fruit-Hair

NOTE 1—The physical origins and the botanical classifications in Tables 2-4 were reviewed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A		Staple Length, in.	Geographical Regions	
Akund	<i>Calotropis gigantes</i>		Asia	
COTTON	<i>Gossypium, various sp</i>			
	<i>Gossypium sp</i>			
	1. American Upland	<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	¾ to 1 ⁷ / ₁₆	all continents
	2. Asiatic cultivated			
	a. Chinese	<i>Gossypium arboreum</i>	¾ to 1	China
	b. Indian	<i>Gossypium arboreum</i>	¾ to 1	India
		<i>Gossypium herbaceum</i>		
	c. Levantine	<i>Gossypium herbaceum</i>	½ to 1	Asia
	3. Extra-long staple barbadenses:			
	a. Egyptian	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ¹ / ₈ to 1 ⁵ / ₈	Egypt, Sudan, Peru
	b. American Egyptian	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ³ / ₈ to 1 ¹ / ₂	United States
	c. Sea Island	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ¹ / ₂ to 2	West Indies
	4. Medium staple, semi-rough barbadenses:			
	a. Tanguis	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ¹ / ₈ to 1 ¹ / ₄	Peru
b. Ishan	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ¹ / ₈ to 1 ¹ / ₄	West Africa	
c. Ashmouni (uppers)	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ¹ / ₁₆ to 1 ¹ / ₈	Egypt	
5. Short staple, rough barbadenses:				
a. Iquitos	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 to 1 ¹ / ₁₆	Peru	
b. Lengupa	<i>Gossypium barbadense</i>	1 ⁵ / ₁₆ to 1 ¹ / ₁₆	Colombia	
6. Perennial tree cottons:				
a. West Indian	<i>Gossypium hirsutum var Marie-Galante</i>	1 ¹ / ₈ to 1 ³ / ₈	West Indies	
b. Sertao and Serido	<i>Gossypium hirsutum var Marie-Galante</i>	1 ¹ / ₈ to 1 ³ / ₈	Brazil	
KAPOK	<i>Ceiba pentandra</i>	¾ to 1 ¹ / ₄	Tropics	
Milkweed Floss	<i>Asclepias various sp</i>	¾ to 1 ¹ / ₄	North America	
Ozone fiber	<i>Asclepias sp incarnata</i>		United States	
Pochote	<i>Ceiba aesculifolia</i>		Mexico	
Samchu	<i>Chorisia species</i>		South America	

^A Preferred or most common names are in capital letters; botanical names are in italics. The abbreviation *sp* is for the word "species," the subdivisions of a genus.

TABLE 3 Vegetable Fibers: Bast and Leaf

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
ABACA	<i>Musa textilis</i> Neé	hard leaf fiber Philippine Islands, Central America, Borneo, Sumatra
<i>Abutilon avcennae</i> Gaertn	See <i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> Medic medii	
<i>Abutilon longicuspe</i>	Zada buack	coarse bast fiber
<i>Abutilon periplocifolium</i>	Maholtine	coarse bast fiber
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> Sweet Medic medii	CHINESE JUTE	coarse bast fiber China
<i>Aechmae magdalenae</i> André	<i>Pita floja</i>	fine leaf fiber Central and South America
AFRICAN SISAL	<i>Agave sisalana</i> , Perrine & Engelm	hard leaf fiber
<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb	CANTALA	hard leaf fiber East Indies, Philippine Islands
<i>Agave cocui</i> Trel	Dispopo	coarse leaf fiber
<i>Agave hexapetala</i> Jacq	Cocuiza	coarse leaf fiber
<i>Agave deweyana</i> Trel	Zapupe larga	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave falcata</i> Engelm	Guapilla	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	HENEQUEN	coarse leaf fiber Mexico, Cuba, Australia
<i>Agave funkiana</i> Koch & Bouché	JAUMAVE ISTLE	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave lespinassei</i> Trel	Zapupe fuerte	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave letonae</i> F. W. Taylor	SALVADOR SISAL	coarse leaf fiber El Salvador
<i>Agave lophanta</i> var. <i>poselgeri</i> (Salm-Dyck) Berger	TULA ISTLE	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave pesa-mulae</i> Trel	Pata de mula, pie de mula	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave pseudotequilana</i> Trel	Mescal	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perrine & Engelm	SISAL	hard leaf fiber Mexico, Brazil, Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda, Angola, Mozambique, Haiti, Java, Sumatra
<i>Agave striata</i> Zucc	Espandinin	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave tequilana</i> Weber	MESCAL	hard leaf fiber Mexico
<i>Agave zapupe</i> Trel	ZAPUPE	hard leaf fiber Mexico
Ake-ire	<i>Urenia lobata</i> Cav	bast fiber
Aloes creole		
Aloes fiber		
Aloes malgache	See <i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent true aloe is not a fiber plant	
Ambari	<i>Hibiscus cannabrius</i> L	coarse bast fiber
<i>Ananas comosus</i> L. (Merr)	PINEAPPLE FIBER	fine leaf fiber West Indies, Philippine Islands
<i>Apocynum</i> sp	Kendyr	soft bast fiber Russia
Aramina	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	bast fiber
Arghan	<i>Aechmea magdalenae</i> André	
<i>Asclepias incurvata</i> L	Swamp milk weed	soft bast fiber United States
Awasthe hemp	<i>Hibiscus cannabrinus</i> L (not hemp)	bast fiber
Bamia	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
BANANA	<i>Musa sapientum</i> L	leaf fiber
Banana yucca	<i>Yucca mohavensis</i> Sarg	
Ban ochra	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Bariala	<i>Sida micrantha</i> Schrank	
Barreta	<i>Samuela carnerosana</i> Trel	
BEAR GRASS	<i>Nolina</i> sp, <i>Yucca</i> sp	
Benares hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Benares sunn	<i>Crotalaria</i>	
<i>Billbergia infuscata</i> ^B	Infuscata	soft leaf fiber South America
Bimli jute		
Bimli patam }	<i>Hibiscus cannabrinus</i> L (not jute)	
<i>Boehmeria nivea</i> (L) Gaud	RAMIE, China grass	soft bast fiber Japan, China, Brazil, United States
Bolo-bolo	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Bombay aloe	<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent (not true aloe)	
Bombay hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Bowstring hemp	<i>Sansevieria</i> sp (not hemp)	
Brazilian jute	<i>Corchorus</i> sp (<i>Hibiscus</i> and <i>Urena</i> are not jute)	
<i>Bromelia magdalenae</i>	See <i>Aechmea magdalenae</i> André	
<i>Bromelia karatas</i> L	Gravata	soft leaf fiber Brazil
<i>Bromelia laciniosa</i> Mart & Schult	Macambira	soft leaf fiber Brazil
<i>Bromelia longissima</i>	<i>Aechmea magdalenae</i> André	soft leaf fiber Brazil
<i>Bromelia sagenaria</i>	<i>Pseudaranus sagenarius</i> (Arruda) Camargo	soft leaf fiber Brazil
Broom fiber	<i>Cystisus scoparius</i> (L) Link, and/or <i>Spartium junceum</i> L	
Brown hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Cabulla	<i>Furcraea cabuya</i> Trel	
Cabuya	<i>Furcraea cabuya</i> Trel	
Cabuya blanca		
Cabuya blancho		
Cabuya sin espina	<i>F. cabuya</i> var. <i>integra</i> Trel	
Cadillo		
Caesar weed }	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
<i>Calotropis gigantea</i> Dry & Ait	Akund	



TABLE 3 Continued

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
Canamo		
Canamo }	Spanish word for hemp	
Candilla		
Candillo }	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Canhamo	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L	HEMP	soft bast fiber all temperate zones
CANTALA	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb; differs from maguey in retting	
CAROA, <i>Carua</i>	<i>Neoglaziova variegata</i> Mez	
Carrapicho	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Cebu hemp	<i>Musa textilis</i> Née (not hemp)	
CEBU MAGUEY	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb (retted differently from Cantala)	
<i>Cephalonema</i> sp	Punga	bast fiber Belgian Congo
Chanvre	French word for hemp	
Chaparral yucca	<i>Hesperoyucca whipplei</i> (Torr) Trel	
China grass	<i>Boehmeria nivea</i> (L) Gaud	
CHINESE JUTE	<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> Medic Medii	
Chingma	<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> Medic	
Chino azul	<i>Agave tequilana</i> Weber	
Chino bermejo	<i>Agave palmaris</i> Trel	
Chique-chique	<i>Leopoldinia piassaba</i> Wallace& Archer	
Chuchao	<i>Furcraea andina</i> Trel	
Coconada hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Cocuiza	<i>Furcraea humboldtiana</i> Trel <i>F hexapetala</i> , (Jacq) Urb	
Cocuiza mansa	<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent	
CONGO JUTE	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav (not jute)	bast fiber Belgian Congo, Brazil, Argentina, Venezuela, Cuba
<i>Corchorus capsularis</i> L	JUTE (white jute)	soft bast fiber Pakistan, India
<i>Corchorus olitorius</i> L	TOSSA, DAISEE (jutes)	soft bast fiber Pakistan, India
Cousin rouge	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L	SUNN (not hemp)	hard bast fiber India
Cuban jute	<i>Urena</i> sp. <i>Malva</i> sp <i>Sida</i> sp (not jute)	
Cuban sisal	<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	
Culut culutan	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i> (L) Link	Broom fiber, Spanish broom	soft bast fiber Italy, Spain
Da	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L	
DAISEE JUTE	<i>Corchorus olitorius</i> L	
Davao hemp	<i>Musa textiles</i> Née (not hemp)	
Deccan hemp	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> (not hemp)	
Dha	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L	
Dispopo	<i>Agave cocui</i> Trel	
Ensete edulis (Gmel) Horan	<i>Musa ensete</i> Gmel	
Escobilla	<i>Sida</i> sp	
Espadinum	<i>Agave striata</i> Zucc	
FIQUE	<i>Furcraea macrophylla</i> Baker	
Flax	<i>Linum usitatissimum</i> L	soft bast fiber Argentina, Australia, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Russia, Ukraine, United States, Yugoslavia
FORMIO	<i>Phormium tenax</i> Forst	
French hemp	<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L	
<i>Furcraea andina</i> Trel	Chuchao	hard leaf fiber Ecuador
<i>Furcraea cabuya</i> Trel	Cabuya	hard leaf fiber Central America
<i>Furcraea cubensis</i>	Cabulla	hard leaf fiber Haiti, Cuba, Venezuela, Dominican Republic
<i>Furcraea geminispina</i> Jacobi	Cocuiza	hard leaf fiber Venezuela
<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent	Piteira, cocuiza mansa	hard leaf fiber Mauritius, Venezuela, Brazil, Tropics
<i>Furcraea hexapetala</i> (Jacq) Urb	<i>Furcraea cubensis</i>	hard leaf fiber Haiti, Cuba, Venezuela, Dominican Republic
<i>Furcraea humboldtiana</i> Trel	Cocuiza	hard leaf fiber Venezuela
<i>Furcraea macrophylla</i> Baker	FIQUE	hard leaf fiber Colombia
Galla	<i>Musa ensete</i> - <i>Ensete edulis</i> (Gmel) Horan	
Gambo hemp	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L (not hemp)	
Gombo hemp	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L (not hemp)	
Grand cousin	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Grand mahot cousin	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Gravata	<i>Bromelia Karatus</i> L	
Guapilla	<i>Agave falcata</i> Engelm	
GUAXIMA	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Guaxima roxa	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Guaxima vermehla	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	



TABLE 3 Continued

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
Guiazo	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
HAITIAN SISAL	<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perrine & Engelm	
Hanf	German word for hemp	Austria, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Romania, Russia, Syria, United States, Yugoslavia
HEMP	<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L	
HENEQUEN	<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	
Hennup	Dutch word for hemp	
<i>Hesperaloe funifera</i> (Koch) Trel	ZAMANDOQUE	hard leaf fiber
<i>Hesperoyucca whipplei</i> (Torr) Trel	YUCCA	hard leaf fiber
<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L	KENAF, MESHTA, Ambari, Bimlipatam, Awasthe, Deccan, Dha, Gambo	bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus abelmoschus</i> L	Musk hemp	soft bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus esculentus</i> L	Ochra	soft bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus ferax</i> Hook	MESHTA	soft bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus kitaibelifolius</i> St Hil	Juta paulista	soft bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus radiatus</i> ^C	Papoula de St Francis	soft bast fiber
<i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> L	ROSELLA	soft bast fiber
lfe hemp		
lfé	<i>Sansevieria</i> sp (not hemp)	
Indian hemp (United States)	<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i> L (not hemp)	
Indian hemp (India)	Several unrelated plants (not hemp)	
	<i>Crotalaria</i> sp and <i>Hibiscus</i> sp (Examples are Ambari, Benares hemp, Itarsi, Sunn)	
Infuscata	<i>Billbergia infuscata</i> ^B	
ISTLE	Several <i>Agave</i> sp (word is a generic Mexican term)	
IXTLE }		
Istle Jaumave	<i>Agave funkiana</i> Koch & Bouché	
Istle, Palma	<i>Samuela carnerosana</i> Trel	
Istle Pita	<i>Yucca treculeana</i> Carr	
Istle Tula	<i>Agave lophanta</i> var <i>poselgeri</i> (Salm-Dyck) Berger	
Itarsi hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Ixtli	<i>Hesperaloe funifera</i> (Koch) Trel	
JAUMAVE ISTLE		
Jaumave		
Jaumave lechiguilla	<i>Agave funkiana</i> Koch & Bouché	
JAVA CANTALA	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb different retting from maguey	
Java jute	<i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> L (not jute)	
JAVA SISAL	<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perrine & Engelm	
Jirica	<i>Nolina</i> sp	
Jubblepore hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Juta paulista	<i>Hibiscus kitaibali folius</i> St Hil	
JUTE	<i>Corchorus capsularis</i> L and <i>Corchorus olitorius</i> L	
KENAF	<i>Hibiscus cannabinus</i> L	
Kendyr	<i>Apocynum</i> sp	
KENTUCKY HEMP	<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L	
Lechuguilla (Tula istle)	<i>Agave lophanta</i> var <i>poselgeri</i> (Salm-Dyck) Berger	
Letona	<i>Agave letonae</i> F. W. Taylor	
Linen	See Flax	
Luffa gourd	<i>Linum usitatissimum</i> L	
Luffa	<i>Luffa</i> sp	
Loofah		
Macambira	<i>Bromelia laciniosa</i> Mart & Schultz L	
Madagascar bass	<i>Vonitra</i> sp	
Madras hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Maguey	Latin American term applied to many species of <i>Agave</i>	
MAGUEY (CEBU)	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb	
Maguey (Peru)	<i>Furcraea macrophylla</i> Baker	
Maguey (Cuba)	<i>Furcraea hexapetala</i> (Jacq) Urb	
Maholtine	<i>Abutilon periplocifolium</i> Sweet	
Malva	Latin American term applied to several <i>Malvaceae</i>	
MALVA	<i>Sida micrantha</i> Schrank	
Malva blanca	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Malva listro		
Malva risco }	<i>Sida micrantha</i> Schrank	



TABLE 3 Continued

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
Malva roxa	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Malva velluda	<i>Malache malacophylla</i> (Néc & Mart) Stand	
Malvas	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Manila	<i>Musa textilis</i> Née (not hemp)	
Manila hemp	<i>Musa textilis</i> Née (not hemp)	
Manila maguey	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb	
Mano largo	<i>Agave palmaris</i> Trel	
Mauritius hemp	<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Weber (not hemp)	
Mazatlan hemp	<i>Agave tequilana</i> Weber (not hemp)	
MESCAL	Fibre mixture, <i>Agave sp</i>	
Mescal maguey	<i>Agave tequilana</i> Weber	
MESHTA	<i>Hibiscus cananbinus</i> L H <i>ferax</i> Hook	soft bast fiber India
Mexican sisal	<i>Agar fourcroydes</i> Lem	
Milkweed fiber	<i>Asclepias sp</i> (bast)	bast fiber, also (see Sec. I) seed hair
Moorva	<i>Sansevieria sp</i>	
Musk hemp	<i>Hibiscus abelmoschus</i> L (not hemp)	
<i>Musa ensete</i> Gmel	<i>Ensete edulis</i> (Gmel) Horan	coarse leaf fiber Ethiopia
<i>Musa sapientum</i> L	Banana fiber	coarse leaf fiber Tropics
<i>Musa textilis</i> Née	ABACA, manila	coarse leaf fiber Philippine Islands, Borneo, Sumatra
Nanas sabrong	<i>Agave cantala</i> , Roxb	
Natal hemp	<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent (not hemp)	
<i>Neoglaziovia variegata</i> Mez	CAROA caraua	hard leaf fiber Brazil
New Zealand flax	<i>Phormium tenax</i> Forst phormium or formio	
New Zealand hemp }	(not flax or hemp)	
<i>Nolina sp</i>	BEAR GRASS	hard leaf fiber Southwest United States, Mexico
Ochra	<i>Hibiscus esculentus</i> L	
Olona	<i>Touchar dia latifolia</i> Gaud	
Ototo grande	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Paka	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
Palma	<i>Samuela carnerosana</i> Trel	
Palma barreta	<i>Samuela carnerosana</i> Trel	
PALMA ISTLE }		
Palmilla	<i>Yucca elata</i> Engelm	
Palmyra	<i>Borassus flabellifer</i> L	
Panama hat palm	<i>Carludovica palmata</i> R & P (not a palm)	
Pangane	<i>Sansevierid Kirkii</i> Bak (not hemp)	
Pangane hemp		
Papoula de St Francis	<i>Hibiscus ferax</i> Hook	
Pata de mula	<i>Agave pes-mulae</i> Trel	
Pavonia malacophylla Wright		
Pavonia schimperiana Hochst & A. Rich		
Pavonia tomentosa Hochst & A. Rich	<i>Malva relludo</i> UACIMA	bast fiber Brazil
Phillibit black hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (<i>C tenuifolia</i> Roxb) (not hemp)	
Philippine maguey	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb	
PHORMIUM	<i>Phormium tenax</i> Forst	
<i>Phormium tenax</i> Forst	PHORMIUM	hard leaf fiber Argentina, Chile, New Zealand, St. Helena
Pie de mula	<i>Agave pes-mulae</i> Trel	
Pineapple fibre (pina)	<i>Ananas comosus</i> (L) Merr	
Pineapple (wild)	<i>Aechmea magdalenae</i> André	
Pita	Latin-American name for many different hard fibers	
Pita floya (floia)	<i>Aechmea magdalenae</i> André	
PITA ISTLE	<i>Yucca treculeana</i> Carr	
Pita palma }		
PITEIRA	<i>Furcraea gigantea</i> Vent	
Pitre (peepray)	<i>Furcraea hexapetala</i> (Jacq) Urb	
POEPOES	<i>Agave cantala</i> Roxb	
Polompom	<i>Thespesia lampas</i> Dalz & Dalz & Gibs	
Pochote	<i>Ceiba aesculifolia</i> (H.B.K.) Britt & F. G. Bak	
Pseudananas sagenarius (Arruda)		
Camargo	<i>Bromelia sagenaria</i>	soft leaf fiber Brazil
Punga	<i>Cephalonema sp</i>	bast fiber Belgian Congo
Queensland hemp	<i>Sida rhombifolia</i> L (not hemp)	
RAMIE	<i>Boehmeria nivea</i> L Gaud	
RATTAN	<i>Calamus sp</i>	
Rhea	<i>Boehmeria nivea</i> L Gaud	
ROSELLE, rosella	<i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> L	
Samandoca	<i>Hesperaloe funifera</i> (Koch) Trel	
<i>Samuela carnerosana</i> Trel	PALMA ISTLE	leaf fiber Mexico
Salvador henequen	<i>Agave letonae</i> F. W. Taylor	
SAN SALVADOR SISAL }		



TABLE 3 Continued

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
<i>Sansevieria cylindrica</i> Boj	Ifé	Africa
<i>Sansevieria Kirkii</i> Bak	Pangane	South Africa
<i>Sansevieria sp</i>	Bowstring hemp (not hemp)	Florida
SANSEVIERIA	<i>Sansevieria sp</i>	Cuba
<i>Sansevieria trifasciata</i> Prain		Cuba
Scaahuista	<i>Nolina sp</i>	
Scioa	<i>Ensete edulis</i> (Gmel) Horan	
Seonie hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
<i>Sida micrantha</i> Schrank	Escobilla	soft bast fiber
Sidamo	<i>Ensete edulis</i> (Gmel) Horan	India, Australia, Brazil
<i>Sida rhombifolia</i> L	Queensland hemp (not hemp)	Australia
Silk grass	<i>Aechmea magdalena</i> André	
SISAL	<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perrine & Engelm	
Sisal weisz	<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	
Soap weed	<i>Yucca glauca</i> Nutt	
Soft leaf fiber	<i>Pseudananas sagenarius</i> (Arruda) Camargo	
SOUDAN SISAL	<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perriné & Engelm	
Spanish broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i> (L) Link	
<i>Spartium junceum</i> L	Brom fibre	Southern Europe
Spanish dagger	<i>Yucca macro carpa</i> (Torr) Coville	
St Francis poppy	<i>Hibiscus ferax</i> Hook	
St Helena hemp	<i>Phormium tenax</i> Forst (not hemp)	
SUNN	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L	
Swamp milkweed	<i>Asclepias inca nata</i> L	
TAMPICO	<i>Agave funkiana</i> Koch & Bouché, and A. <i>lophantha</i> var <i>poselgeri</i> (Salm-Dyck) Berger	
TEQUILA	<i>Agave tequilana</i> Weber	
<i>Thespesia lampas</i> Dalz & Dalz & Gibs	Polom pom	soft bast fiber
<i>Thespesia populnea</i> Sol.& Correa		Indochina
Tientsin jute	<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i> Medic Medii (not jute)	
Toja	<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	
TOSSA	<i>Corchorus olitorius</i> L	
<i>Touchardia latifolia</i> Gaud	Olona	soft bast fiber
TULA ISTLE	<i>Agave lophantha</i> var <i>poselgeri</i> (Salm-Dyck) Berger	Hawaii
Uacima	<i>Urenal lobata</i> Cav	
Uaixima		
<i>Urena lobata</i> Cav	CONGO JUTE, GUAXIMA	Belgian Congo, Venezuela, Brazil, United States, Cuba, Argentina
<i>Urena sinuata</i> Wedd	Cuban jute, Kunjia	Cuba, Bengal
<i>Urtica nivea</i> L	RAMIE, <i>Boehmeria nivea</i> (L.) Gaud	China
Victoria sisal	<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	
Warangel hemp	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i> L (not hemp)	
Yacci	<i>Agave sisalana</i> Perrine & Engelm	
Yaxi		
Yucatan sisal	<i>Agave fourcroydes</i> Lem	
YUCCA ^D		hard leaf fiber
<i>Yucca angustifolia</i> ^E	BEAR GRASS, soap weed	
<i>Yucca glauca</i> Nutt	BEAR GRASS, soap weed	
<i>Yucca treculena</i> Carr	PITA ISTLE	
<i>Yucca</i> ^D		
Zada buack	<i>Abutilon longicuspe</i> Hochst & A. Rich	
Zamandoque	<i>Hesperaloe funifera</i> (Koch) Trel	
ZAPUPE ^E	<i>Agave zapupe</i> Trel	

^A Preferred or most common names are in capital letters; botanical names are in italics. The abbreviation *sp* is for the word "species," the subdivisions of a genus.

^B Not found in botanical literature.

^C Authority cannot be determined.

^D Many *Yucca* species yield fiber; the principal ones are included in this table.

^E Many *Agave* species yield fiber known as zapupe.

TABLE 4 Vegetable Fibers: Palm and Miscellaneous

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A		Description	Geographical Regions
<i>Acrocomia sp</i>	Corojo	palm leaf fiber	South America, West Indies
African fiber	<i>Chamaerops humilis</i> L	palm leaf segments	North Africa
Alfa	<i>Stipa tenacissima</i> L	grass leaves	Mediterranean
Aren	<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb) Merr	palm fiber	Java
<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb.) Merr	Aren	palm fiber	Java
<i>Astrocaryum tucuma</i> Mart	Tecum, tucum; when mixed with <i>Bactris setosa</i> Mart	palm leaf fiber	Brazil
<i>Attalea funifera</i> Mart	Bahia bass	plam leaf-base fiber	Brazil
<i>Bactris sp</i>	Mocoro	palm fiber	South America
<i>Bactris setosa</i> Mart	See <i>Astrocaryum tucuma</i> Mart	palm fiber	Brazil
Bahia bass			
Bahia piassava	<i>Attalea funifera</i> Mart	palm leaf-base fiber	Brazil
Bamboo	<i>Bambus sp</i>	stem segments	Tropics
<i>Bambusa sp</i>	Bamboo		
Bass	<i>Attalea funifera</i> Mart <i>Leopoldina piassaba</i> Wallace & Archer <i>Raphia sp Vonitra sp</i>	palm fiber	Tropics
Bassine	<i>Borassus flabellifer</i> L	palm leaf-stem fiber	India
<i>Borassus flabellifer</i> L	Palmyra bassine	palm leaf-stem fiber	India
Broom corn	<i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (L) Moench. (S technicum Batt & Trab)	flower head	United States
Broom root	<i>Muhlenbergia macoura</i> (H.B.K.) Hitchc	roots	Mexico
Buntal	<i>Corypha utan</i> Lam	palm fiber	East Indies
Buri	<i>Corypha utan</i> Lam	palm fiber	East Indies
Cabo negro	<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb) Merr	palm fiber	Philippines
<i>Calamas sp</i>	Rattan	stems	Oriental Tropics
<i>Carludovica palmata</i> R & P	Palm hat plant (not a palm)	leaf segments	Ecuador
<i>Caryota urens</i> L	Kittool	palm fiber	Asia, Madagascar
Cattail fiber	<i>Typha sp</i>	pappus bristles	United States
<i>Chamaerops humilis</i> L	Crin vegetal	palm leaf segments	North Africa
Chinese fan palm	<i>Livistona chinensis</i> R Br	palm leaf segments	East Asia
Chinese mat rush	<i>Lepironia mucronata</i> L. C. Rich	stems	East Asia
Coconut fiber	<i>Cocos nucifera</i> L	nut husk fiber	Tropics
<i>Cocos nucifera</i> L	Coir	nut husk fiber	Tropics
Coir	<i>Cocos nucifera</i> L	nut husk fiber	Tropics
Corojo	<i>Acrocomia sp</i>	palm leaf fiber	Cuba
<i>Corypha utan</i> Lam	Buntal	palm leaf segments	Philippines
Crin vegetal	<i>Chamaerops humilis</i> L	palm leaf segments	North Africa
Dum	<i>Hyphaene thebaica</i> Mart	palm leaf fiber	Arabia
Eel grass	<i>Zostera marina</i> L	leaves	Nova Scotia, Newfoundland
Ejoo	<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb) Merr	palm fiber	Malaysia
Esparto	<i>Stipa tenacissima</i> L	leaves	Mediterranean
Gemuti	<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb) Merr	palm fiber	Malaya
<i>Hyphaene thebaica</i> Mart	Dum	palm fiber	East Africa
Jutilal	<i>Typha sp</i>		
Kittool	<i>Caryota urens</i> L	palm fiber	Malaya
<i>Leopoldinia piassaba</i> Wallace & Archer	Para piassava	palm leaf-stem fiber	Brazil
<i>Lepironia mucronata</i> Rich	Chinese mat rush	rush stems	China
<i>Livistona chinensis</i> R Br	Chinese fan palm	palm leaf segments	China
<i>Luffa sp</i>	Loofah	net of fruit	Tropics
<i>Mauritia flexuosa</i> L	Moriche palm	palm leaf fiber	Venezuela
Mocoro	<i>Bactris sp</i>	palm fiber	South Africa
Monkey bass	<i>Leopoldinia piassaba</i> Wallace & Archer	palm leaf-stem fiber	Brazil
Moriche palm	<i>Mauritia flexuosa</i> L	palm leaf fiber	Venezuela
<i>Muhlenbergia macoura</i> (H.B.K.) Hitchc	Broom root, rice root	grass root	Mexico
Palmetto	<i>Sabal sp</i>	palm fiber	United States
buri	<i>Corypha utan</i> Lam	palm fiber	Philippines
Palm fiber			
Capo negro	<i>Arenga pinnata</i> (Wurmb) Merr	palm fiber	Philippines
Nirucge	<i>Mauritia flexuosa</i> L	palm leaf fiber	Venezuela
Para piassava	<i>Leopoldinia piassaba</i> Wallace & Archer	palm leaf-stem fiber	Brazil
Piassava	<i>Attalea funifera</i> Mart, <i>Leopoldinia piassaba</i> Wallace & Archer, <i>Raphia gigantea</i> , A Chev, <i>Vonitra sp</i>	palm fibers	Tropics
Pita de corajo	<i>Acrocomia sp</i>	palm leaf fiber	Cuba
Raffia	<i>Corypha utan</i> , Lam, <i>Raphia ruffia</i> Mart, <i>Raphia vinifera</i> P Beauv	palm leaf segments	Madagascar, Philippines
<i>Raphia ruffia</i> Mart	Raffia	palm leaf segments	Madagascar, East Africa
<i>Raphia vinifera</i> P Beauv	West African bass	palm leaf-stem fiber	West Africa
Rice root	<i>Muhlenbergia macoura</i> (H.B.K.) Hitchc	roots	Mexico
Rice paper plant	<i>Tetrapanax papyriferus</i> (Hook) Koch	pith	China
<i>Sabal sp</i>	Palmetto	palm fiber	Southern United States
<i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (L) Moench	Broom corn	flower heads	United States
Southern moss	<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i> L	fibrous stem axis	United States
Spanish moss	<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i> L	fibrous stem axis	United States
<i>Stipa tenacissima</i> L	Esparto	leaves	Mediterranean
<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i> L	Southern moss	fibrous stem axis	United States



TABLE 4 Continued

Commercial and Botanical Name ^A	Description	Geographical Regions
Tree beard <i>Tillandsia usneoides</i> L		
Tecum fiber Tecum }		
Tetrapanax papyriferus (Hook) Koch	Rice paper plant	palm leaf fiber pith
<i>Typha</i> sp	Cattail leaf fiber and down	China Temperate Zones
Vegetable sponge <i>Luffa</i> sp	net of fruit	Japan, West Indies
<i>Vonitra</i> sp	Madagascar piassava or bass	Madagascar
West African bass	<i>Raphia vinifera</i> P Beauv	Africa
Zacaton	Mexican rice root	Mexico
<i>Zostera marina</i> L	Eel grass	Newfoundland, Nova Scotia

^A Preferred or most common names are in capital letters; botanical names are in italics. The abbreviation *sp* is for the word “species,” the subdivisions of a genus.

7. Mineral Fibers

7.1 See Table 5.

TABLE 5 Mineral Fibers

Commercial and Mineralogical Name	Chemical Description	Geographical Regions
ASBESTOS	Chrysotile Crocidolite	magnesium silicate iron silicate
		Canada, Russia South Africa, Australia

8. Manufactured Fibers

8.1 See Table 6.

TABLE 6 Manufactured Fibers

Commercial or Generic Name	Major Component
Acetate: ^A	Cellulose Acetate:
Acetate	Secondary Acetate
Triacetate	Primary Acetate
Acrylic ^A	Polyacrylonitrile. See also Polyvinyl
Alginate	Metal salts of alginic acid
Anidel ^A	Copolymer of an acrylic-ester and other monomers
Azlon ^A	Modified naturally occurring proteins (including casein, cottonseed, peanut, and soybean)
Cuprammonium, Cupra	See Rayon ^A
Casein	See Azlon ^A
Cellulose Esters	See Acetate ^A
Elastomers	See Rubber, ^A Spandex ^A
Fluorocarbon	Polytetrafluoroethylene
Glass	Fused inorganic oxides
Metallic	Metal or alloy, some plastic-coated or laminated
Modacrylic ^A	Copolymer of acrylonitrile
Nylon: ^A	Polyamide:
Nylon 6	Poly (epsilon-caproamide)
Nylon 11	Poly (omega-undecanamide)
Nylon 6-6	Poly (hexamethylene adipamide)
Nylon 6-10	Poly (hexamethylene sebacamide)
Olefin ^A	Aliphatic hydrocarbons
Peanut	See Azlon ^A
Polyacrylic	See Acrylic ^A
Polyamide	See Nylon ^A
Polypeptide	See Nylon ^A
Polyester ^A	Condensation polymer of a dihydric alcohol and terephthalic acid
Polyethylene	See Olefin ^A
Polyurethane	See Spandex ^A
Polyvinyl	Copolymer of vinyl chloride and vinyl acetate Copolymer of vinyl chloride and acrylonitrile After-chlorinated polyvinyl chloride Copolymer of vinylidene chloride and other monomers (saran) Also see Acrylic ^A
Protein-Base Fiber	See Azlon ^A
Regenerated Cellulose	See Rayon ^A
Rayon: ^A	Regenerated Cellulose:
Cuprammonium	Cellulose regenerated by Cuprammonium process
Saponified acetate	Saponified cellulose acetate
Viscose	Cellulose regenerated by viscose process including regular and newer types as high-strength, high-wet modulus, cellular, and special cross-section and cross-linked rayons.
Rubber: ^A	Natural or synthetic polymers:
Natural	Polyisoprene



TABLE 6 Continued

Commercial or Generic Name	Major Component
Synthetic	Various elastoprenes Also see Elastomer
Saponified Acetate	See Rayon ^A
Saran ^A	Poly (vinylidene chloride) Also see Polyvinyl
Soybean	See Azlon ^A
Spandex ^A	Segmented polyurethane
Vinal ^A	Acetal of poly (vinyl alcohol)
Vinyl Acetate	See Polyvinyl
Vinyl Chloride	See Polyvinyl
Vinylidene Chloride	See Polyvinyl, Saran ^A
Vinyon ^A	Poly(vinyl chloride)
Viscose	See Rayon ^A
Zein	See Azlon ^A

^A Generic names specified by the Federal Trade Commission: defined fully in Annex A1 of Terminology D123.

9. Major Fiber Types

9.1 See Tables 7 and 8.

TABLE 7 Classification of Major Manufactured^A Fibers Used for Textile Purposes

Natural Polymer Base	Organic Base ^B	Inorganic Base
	Synthetic Polymer Base	
ALGINATE	Nonvoloid	Ceramic
MODIFIED CELLULOSE	Polyamides	Glass
Esters	Aramid	
Acetate (Secondary Acetate)	Nylon	Metal
Triacetate (Primary Acetate)	Nylon 6 Poly (epsilon-caproamide)	
	Nylon 11 Poly (omega-undecanamide)	Silica
REGENERATED CELLULOSE	Nylon 6-6 Poly (hexamethylene adipamide)	
Rayon ^C	Nylon 6-10 Poly (hexamethylene sebacamide)	
Cupro		
Lyocel	Polybenzimidazole (PBI)	
Modal		
Viscose (Rayon)	Polyester	
	Polyester	
REGENERATED PROTEIN	Elasterell-p	
Azlon		
Casein	Polyolefins	
Peanut	Olefin (crystalline)	
Soybean	Polyethylene	
Zein	Polypropylene	
	Polystyrene	
PLA	Lastol	
	Spandex	
	Sulfar	
	Acrylic	
	Anidex	
	Elastoester	
	Flourcarbon	
	Modacrylic	
	Nytril	
	Vinal	
	Vinyon	
Rubber	Synthetic Rubber – poly (isoprene, butadiene, chloroprene)	
	Lastrele	

^A For more complete information, see Table 6.

^B Generic terms and limiting percentages are taken from “Generic Names and Definitions of Manufactured Fibers,” Code of Federal Regulations, Title 16, Section 303.7.

^C Rayon is made from cellulose that is put through a technical chemical process called “regeneration.” There are many sources of cellulose. Common sources are pine, spruce, hemlock, beech, and bamboo. Whatever the source of the cellulose, if it is used to make rayon, then the generic fiber name is “rayon”. Some rayon is made by the viscose process.

TABLE 8 Classification of Major Natural Fibers^A Used for Textile Purposes

Cellulose Base	Protein Base ^{A,B}	Other
BAST ^C	ANIMAL HAIR	MINERAL ^D
Bamboo	Wool	Asbestos



TABLE 8 Continued

Cellulose Base	Protein Base ^{A,B}	Other	
Flax	Specialty Alpaca Camel Cashmere Llama Mohair Rabbit Vicuna	NATURAL RUBBER	
Hemp			
Jute			
Kenaf			
Ramie			
NUT HUSK ^E			
Coir			
LEAF ^C			ANIMAL SECRETION
Abaca			Silk
Agave			Cultivated
New Zealand Flax	Dupioni		
Palm Istle	Tussah		
Yucca	Spider Silk		
SEED ^E			
Cotton			
Kapok			

^A Generic terms and limiting percentages are taken from "Generic Names and Definitions of Manufactured Fibers," *Code of Federal Regulations*, Title 16, Section 303.7.

^B For more complete information, see Table 1.

^C For more complete information, see Table 3.

^D For more complete information, see Table 5.

^E For more complete information, see Table 4.

ANNEX

(Mandatory Information)

A1. GLOSSARY

A1.1 Glossary of Terms:

(a) **Acrylic**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 85 % by weight of acrylonitrile units.

(b) **Modacrylic**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of less than 85 % but at least 35 % by weight of acrylonitrile units, except fibers qualifying under paragraph (j)(2) of this section and fibers qualifying under paragraph (q) of this section. (Sec. 7, 72 Stat. 1717; 15 U.S.C. section 70e).

(c) **Polyester**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 85 % by weight of an ester of a substituted aromatic carboxylic acid, including but not restricted to substituted terephthalate units, and para substituted hydroxybenzoate units, where the fiber is formed by the interaction of two or more chemically distinct polymers (of which none exceeds 85 % by weight), and contains ester groups as the dominant functional unit (at least 85 % by weight of the total polymer content of the fiber), and which, if stretched at least 100 %, durably and rapidly reverts substantially to its unstretched length when the tension is removed, the term *elasterell-p* may be used as a generic description of the fiber.

(d) **Rayon**—A manufactured fiber composed of regenerated cellulose, as well as manufactured fibers composed of

regenerated cellulose in which substituents have replaced not more than 15 % of the hydrogens of the hydroxyl groups. Where the fiber is composed of cellulose precipitated from an organic solution in which no substitution of the hydroxyl groups takes place and no chemical intermediates are formed, the term *lyocell* may be used as a generic description of the fiber.

(e) **Acetate**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is cellulose acetate. Where not less than 92 % of the hydroxyl groups are acetylated, the term triacetate may be used as a generic description of the fiber.

(f) **Saran**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 80 % by weight of vinylidene chloride units.

(g) **Azlon**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is composed of any regenerated naturally occurring proteins.

(h) **Nytril**—A manufactured fiber containing at least 85 % of a long chain polymer of vinylidene dinitrile where the vinylidene dinitrile content is no less than every other unit in the polymer chain.

(i) **Nylon**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long-chain synthetic polyamide in which less than 85 % of the amide linkages are attached directly to two aromatic rings.

(j) **Rubber**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is comprised of natural or synthetic rubber, including the following categories:

(1) A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a hydrocarbon such as natural rubber, polyisoprene, polybutadiene, copolymers of dienes and hydrocarbons, or amorphous (noncrystalline) polyolefins.

(2) A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a copolymer of acrylonitrile and a diene (such as butadiene) composed of not more than 50 % but at least 10 % by weight of acrylonitrile units. The term *lastrile* may be used as a generic description for fibers falling within this category.

(3) A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a polychloroprene or a copolymer of chloroprene in which at least 35 % by weight of the fiber-forming substance is composed of chloroprene units.

(k) **Spandex**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long chain synthetic polymer comprised of at least 85 % of a segmented polyurethane.

(l) **Vinal**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 50 % by weight of vinyl alcohol units, and in which the total of the vinyl alcohol units and any one or more of the various acetal units is at least 85 % by weight of the fiber.

(m) **Olefin**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 85 % by weight of ethylene, propylene, or other olefin units, except amorphous (noncrystalline) polyolefins qualifying under paragraph (j)(1) of this section [Rule 7]. Where the fiber-forming substance is a cross-linked synthetic polymer, with low but significant crystallinity, composed of at least 95 % by weight of ethylene and at least one other olefin unit, and the fiber is substantially elastic and heat resistant, the term *lastol* may be used as a generic description of the fiber.

(n) **Vinyon**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 85 % by weight of vinyl chloride units.

(o) **Metallic**—A manufactured fiber composed of metal, plastic-coated metal, metal-coated plastic, or a core completely covered by metal.

(p) **Glass**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is glass.

(q) **Anidex**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is any long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 50 % by weight of one or more esters of a monohydric alcohol and acrylic acid.

(r) **Novoloid**—A manufactured fiber containing at least 85 % by weight of a cross-linked novolac.

(s) **Aramid**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long-chain synthetic polyamide in which at least 85 % of the amide linkages are attached directly to two aromatic rings.

(t) **Sulfar**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long chain synthetic polysulfide in which at least 85 % of the sulfide linkages are attached directly to two (2) aromatic rings.

(u) **PBI**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long chain aromatic polymer having reoccurring imidazole groups as an integral part of the polymer chain.

(v) **Elastoester**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long-chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 50 % by weight of aliphatic polyether and at least 35 % by weight of polyester, as defined in 16 CFR 303.7(c).

(w) **Melamine**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a synthetic polymer composed of at least 50 % by weight of a cross-linked melamine polymer.

(x) **Fluoropolymer**—A manufactured fiber containing at least 95 % of a long-chain polymer synthesized from aliphatic fluorocarbon monomers.


(y) **PLA**—A manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is composed of at least 85 % by weight of lactic acid ester units derived from naturally occurring sugars.(Sec. 6, 72 Stat. 1717; 15 U.S.C. 70e).

A1.2 This glossary is an alphabetical listing of terms presented as two columns. The column on the left shows the names of textile fibers that appear in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 16, Section 303.7. The column on the right shows the ISO equivalent name for the fiber.

A1.2.1 The ISO name equivalent for a textile fiber in the right column will be shown in **bold** font with brackets.

A1.2.2 When the textile fiber listed in the CFR and ISO name equivalent are the same, the word [SAME] will be shown in brackets.

FTC (Bold/Italics)	ISO [Bold/Brackets]
<i>Acetate</i>	[CELLULOSE]
<i>Acrylic</i>	[SAME]
<i>Anidex</i>	[SAME]
<i>Aramid</i>	[SAME]
<i>Azlon</i>	[SAME]
<i>Elastoester</i>	[ELASTOMULTIESTER]
<i>Fluoropolymer</i>	[FLUOROFIBRE]
<i>Glass</i>	[VERRE FIBRE]
<i>Melamine</i>	[SAME]
<i>Metallic</i>	[METAL FIBRE]
<i>Modacrylic</i>	[SAME]
<i>Novoloid</i>	[SAME]
<i>Nylon</i>	[POLYAMIDE]
<i>Nytril</i>	[SAME]
<i>Olefin</i>	[POLYPROPYLENE]
<i>PBI</i>	[SAME]
<i>Polyactide</i>	[SAME]
<i>Polyester</i>	[SAME]
<i>Rayon</i>	[VISCOSE]
<i>Rubber</i>	[ELASTODIENE]
<i>Saran</i>	[SAME]
<i>Spandex</i>	[ELASTANE]
<i>Sulfar</i>	[SAME]
<i>Vinal</i>	[VINYLAL]
<i>Vinyon</i>	[CHLOROFIBRE]

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