



Standard Test Methods for Tensile Testing of Aramid Yarns¹

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1. Scope

1.1 These test methods cover the tensile testing of aramid yarns, cords twisted from such yarns, and fabrics woven from such cords. The yarn or cord may be wound on cones, tubes, bobbins, spools, or beams; may be woven into fabric; or may be in some other form. The methods include testing procedure only and include no specifications or tolerances.

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 This standard includes the following test methods:

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1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

D76 Specification for Tensile Testing Machines for Textiles
D123 Terminology Relating to Textiles
D1776 Practice for Conditioning and Testing Textiles
D1907 Test Method for Linear Density of Yarn (Yarn Num-

ber) by the Skein Method

D1909 Standard Tables of Commercial Moisture Regains and Commercial Allowances for Textile Fibers

D2258 Practice for Sampling Yarn for Testing

D4848 Terminology Related to Force, Deformation and Related Properties of Textiles

D6587 Test Method for Yarn Number Using Automatic Tester

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions:*

3.1.1 *slippage, n*—with tensile testing, insufficient quality of clamping, resulting in movement of the test material through the total clamping surface. This can be visualized by the movement of markers at the clamp exit, or by sudden changes in the strain-modulus curves (1st derivative of the strain-stress curve).

3.1.2 *zero twist, n*—twistless, devoid of twist.

3.2 The following terms are relevant to this standard: industrial yarn, moisture equilibrium for testing, aramid, zero twist, standard atmosphere for testing textiles.

3.3 For definitions of terms related to force and deformation in textiles, refer to Terminology D4848.

3.4 The following terms are relevant to this standard: breaking force, breaking strength, breaking tenacity, breaking toughness, chord modulus in a stress-strain curve, elongation, force at specified elongation (FASE), initial modulus, tensile strength, and work-to-break.

3.5 For definitions of other terms related to textiles, refer to Terminology D123.

4. Summary of Test Method

4.1 These test methods are used to determine the tensile properties of aramid yarns or cords.

4.2 A conditioned or oven-dried specimen of aramid yarn or cord is clamped in a tensile testing machine and then stretched or loaded until broken. Breaking force, elongation, and force at specified elongation (FASE) are determined directly. Modulus and work-to-break are calculated from the force-elongation curve. The output of a constant-rate-of-extension (CRE) tensile testing machine can be connected with electronic recording and

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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.