# New European standardization committee for furniture circularity

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# EUROPEAN COMMITTEE FOR STANDARDIZATION

# **CEN/TC 207 - Furniture**

CEN/TC 207 Subcommittees and Working Groups

Working group	Title
CEN/TC 207/WG 1	Requirements for domestic furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 10	Requirements and tools for furniture circularity
CEN/TC 207/WG 2	Requirements for children's and nursery furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 3	Office furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 4	Requirements for Outdoor furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 5	Requirements for non domestic furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 6	Requirements for educational furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 7	Requirements and test methods for furniture surfaces
CEN/TC 207/WG 8	Requirements and test methods for hardware for furniture
CEN/TC 207/WG 9	Test methods

# **New European** Standardization Committee – WG10

## Scope

"Requirements and evaluation methods for circular furniture design and product life extension strategies.

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Secretary: SIS

Participating national committees;

AU, BE, DK, FR, DE, IT, NL, NO, RS, ES, SE, GB



# **CEN/TC207** Working Group 10

Manufacturer	Institutions/Assosiations	Test Labs	NGO/ Research	Academy
ΙΚΕΑ	FCBA French Institute of Technology for Forest- based and Furniture Sectors	CATAS (Italy)	ECOS	University of Belgrade
Ahrend	VDM The Association of the German Furniture Industry	TUV (Germany)	Manufaktura	Technical University of Rosenheim
Steelcase	Teknologisk Danish Technological Institute	COSMOB (Italy) Test Lab/Certification Body		Linköping University-Sweden
VS	Fedustria			
Fritz Hansen	Norskindustri			
Flokk	AIDIMME Technological Institute			
ASS-Einrichtungssysteme GmbH	National Bed Federation UK			
Haworth	BSI (British Standardization Ins.)			

# **Circular Product Design Principles**

Long-life product design product life extension

# **Ecodesign Principles**



## CEN/TC207 WG 10 Furniture circularity Work programme

Standardization activities under WG10 will cover a full package of furniture circularity by taking into account the relevant product aspects among those listed in the Article 5 of the European Commission 's regulatory proposal, ESPR, as listed below

- Product durability and lifetime
- reliability;
- reusability;
- upgradability;
- reparability;
- possibility of maintenance and refurbishment;
- presence of substances of concern;
- energy use or energy efficiency;
- resource use or resource efficiency;
- recycled content;
- possibility of remanufacturing and recycling;
- possibility of recovery of materials;
- environmental impacts, including carbon and environmental footprint;
- expected generation of waste materials
- Technical aspects of EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility)
- Digital Product Passport







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# Furniture - Circularity - Requirement and evaluation methods for dis-/reassembly

# New Project Product lifetime and durability



### 1. Product lifetime risks canvas Product specification and constituents Product in use phase context Internal structure Support system Lifetime definition Lifetime risks due to needs for fundamental Lifetime risks related to components, joints and components' co-Includes the lifetime itself, the way this functionality resources, like wear parts, spare parts, energy lifetime is to be reached, through service, maintenance, upgrade, etc. and sources specifies what needs to be accessible in order to uphold this lifetime in a ustainable way 2 Material User preferences, such as shifting Product needs or affections Lifetime risks due to anticipated shifts in user Lifetime risks related to components' materials Identity preferences 8 Functionality Set of functions or capabilities of the product **Regulatory requirements** Wear and aging **External co-functionality** Lifetime risks due to inability to function together with Lifetime risks related to surfaces exposed to wear Lifetime risks due to anticipated changes in Lifetime risks related to functionality deteriorating external devices regulatory requirements that prevent to future due treime use of this model of the product.

#### rioduce me cycle(3) sustainability risk

Material, life cycle and circularity	canvas	Product in use phase context
Material       Internal structure (List from Lifetime canvas)         The left part of the canvas is about the durability of the product's life cycle and material.         Material.         Circular/Cradle to Circular/Grave (including Life cycle perspective: List resource use, environmental, social and other aspects throughout circular lifetime         6	Sustainability use for functionality         Product         Identity         Functionality         Set of functions or capabilities of the product	Second life (Specify whether refurbished, remanufactures, as component spare parts (refer to S. Murakami et. al) (List as Product) 2 The right part of the canvas is about sustainability aspects that affect the product's users and use during the functional life of the product Value beyond functionality (such as contribution to community, may be used as fertilizer)
<ul> <li>Circular economy analysis</li> <li>LCA</li> <li>Social LCA</li> <li>etc.</li> <li>Social LCA</li> <li>Closed material quality</li> <li>Loops</li> <li>etc</li> </ul>	Sustainability aspects of the support systems (Expected necessities ) 8	Health and safety risks (Probably handled by regulatory requirements)

A risk and fact based method to manage product lifetime

Product lifetime:

- Identify risks to product lifetime
- Mitigate risks to product lifetime
- Verify materiality and mitigation of risks related to product lifetime

**Risk**: Product lifetime risks + Product lifecycle(s) sustainability risks

## **Example of existing durability standards**

Seating-Furniture-&-Tables¶		Hardware/·Functional·fittings¶	
Standard¤	Title¤	Standard¤	Title¤
EN·12520¤	Furniture°-Strength, durability and safety°-Requirements for domestic-seating¤	EN-15828¤	Hardware for furniture <sup>°</sup> - Strength and <b>durability of hinges</b> and their components <sup>°</sup> - Stays and hinges pivoting on a horizontal axis of
EN·12521¤	Furniture°Strength, durability and safety°Requirements for domestic-tables¤	EN-15338¤	Hardware-for-furniture°Strength-and-durability-of-extension- elements-and-their-components¤
EN-16139¤	Furniture°-·Strength, durability and safety°-·Requirements for- non-domestic-seating¤	<mark>EN·15570</mark> ¤	Hardware for furniture <sup>o</sup> - Strength and <b>durability of hinges</b> and their components <sup>o</sup> - Hinges pivoting on a <b>vertical axis</b> <sup>a</sup>
EN·15372¤	Furniture°-·Strength, <u>durability</u> and safety°-·Requirements for <b>non-</b> domestic·tables <sup>a</sup>	<mark>EN·16014</mark> ¤	Hardware for furniture <sup>°</sup> - Strength and <b>durability of locking</b> mechanisms <sup>a</sup>
Surfaces		EN-15706¤	Hardware for furniture <sup>°</sup> - Strength and <b>durability of slide fittings</b> for sliding doors and roll fronts <sup>x</sup>

Standard¤	Title¤
EN-12720¤	Furniture°-·Assessment·of·surface·resistance·to·cold·liquids¤
EN-12721¤	Furniture°-Assessment of surface resistance to wet heata
EN-12722¤	Furniture°-Assessment of surface resistance to dry heat
EN-15185¤	Furniture°-Assessment of the surface resistance to abrasion
EN-15186¤	Furniture°-Assessment of the surface resistance to scratching
EN-15187¤	Furniture <sup>°</sup> -Assessment of the effect of light exposure <sup>a</sup>

# Important areas of actions

We need to

- identify critical/relevant spare parts. This is important to avoid unnecessary production!
  - How to utilize DPP
- Consensus on product/part durability between existing requirements/test methods and circular strategies

## Link legislation <> standardization Implementation of legal requirements (proposal)



CEN/ TC207 Advisory Group [2022-05-20]

# Meeting schedule

- Monthly official meetings
- Weekly open knowledge sharing and general CE related discussions

Workshops

- 3 days workshop in October in Germany
- 2 days workshop will be in November in France

## 3 days workshop-Dis/re-assembly methodology

















# Thank you!