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# **Textile floor coverings — Determination of the side length, squareness and straightness of tiles**

### National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 994:2012. It supersedes BS EN 994:1996 which is withdrawn.

BSI, as a member of CEN, is obliged to publish EN 994:2012 as a British Standard. However, attention is drawn to the fact that during the development of this European Standard, the UK committee voted against its approval as a European Standard.

The UK committee is concerned that this standard may not adequately describe test methods used to measure squareness. UK users can consult BS 5921:1980 for further guidance on determining squareness in textile floor coverings, as it is considered that BS 5921:1980 provides more information and precision of measurement than EN 994 in this area.

The recently adopted BS EN ISO 24342:2012, *Resilient and textile floor-coverings - Determination of side length, edge, straightness and squareness of tiles*, also provides guidance on this subject.

However, users should be aware that EN 994 is included as a normative reference in several EN standards, including BS EN 1307 and BS EN 13297:2007, and compliance with it offers a presumption of conformity that does not apply to BS EN ISO 24342:2012 or BS 5921:1980.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee PRI/3/60, Textile & Resilient Floor Coverings.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

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