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FOREWORD

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United Kingdom
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Leather — Raw hides of cattle and horses — Method of trim

1 SCOPE

This International Standard specifies the method of trimming the raw hides of cattle and horses, intended for the tanning industry.

2 FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard is applicable to all cattle and horse hides obtained after slaughtering and flaying.

3 DEFINITION

For the purposes of this International Standard the following definition applies :

trim (of a hide) : The shape given to a hide with its ultimate use in mind.

4 METHOD OF TRIM

The trim of cattle or horse hides shall comply with the following requirements :

4.1 Cattle¹⁾

Hide presented without head (head cut straight behind the ears), shanks cut off at right-angles immediately above the knee (fore shanks) and the hock (hind shanks), tail cut off not more than 25 cm from the butt, without excess fat, flesh, or any other material unsuitable for making leather (see figure 1)²⁾.

4.2 Horses

Hide presented without muzzle, fore shanks cut off at right-angles immediately above the knee, hind shanks cut off at right-angles between the hock and the hoof, tail open and cut off not more than 25 cm from the butt (see figure 2).

1) This method of presentation represents the objective which is to be reached by international standardization. The various countries which use a different method of presentation should endeavour to reach this objective as soon as possible.

2) In order to establish with certainty the origin of a hide, it may be necessary to retain a part of the udder containing a teat on hides from cows.