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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 51 "Cement and building limes", the secretariat of which is held by IBN.

This European Standard replaces ENV 197-1:1992

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by December 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 2000.

The 1992 version was modified by application of PNE rules, introduction of a revised clause 9, prepared by CEN/TC 51/WG 13, and by taking into account the results of a CEN/TC 51 enquiry in 1995 and a CEN enquiry in 1998.

EN 197-1 has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative annex ZA, which is an integral part of EN 197-1.

The preparation of a standard for cement was initiated by the European Economic Community (EEC) in 1969 and, at the request of a member state later in 1973, the work was given to the European Committee for Standardisation (CEN). The Technical Committee TC 51 was entrusted with the task of preparing a cement standard for the countries of Western Europe, comprising the EEC and EFTA members.

A first enquiry initiated by CEN/TC 51 in the mid-seventies identified at that time nearly 20 different kinds of cement, which had all been standardised on a national basis and which had proved satisfactory in common or special fields of application under local conditions. The evaluation of the enquiry showed that different sources of raw materials, different climatic conditions and different social/cultural attitudes have established a typical architecture with different building techniques in the different regions of Western Europe which led to the great variety of kinds of cement. The same or similar cement may be used in very different structures with different types of application and with substantially different requirements regarding its performance under the respective climatic conditions.

When CEN/TC 51 became aware of this situation, it decided in the early eighties to include in the standard for cement only those cements which are intended for use in any plain and reinforced concrete and which are familiar in most countries in Western Europe because they have been produced and used in these countries for many years. The view of CEN/TC 51 was then that the more regional cements should continue to be standardised at the national level. The 1989 draft for the standard for cement followed this approach, but did not achieve the majority necessary for acceptance because a few countries wanted to incorporate all their nationally standardised cements and because the EU Construction Products Directive (89/106/EEC) requires the incorporation of all traditional and well tried cements in order to remove technical barriers to trade in the construction field.

There are as yet no criteria for the descriptions "traditional" and "well tried". A second enquiry initiated by CEN/TC 51 in 1990 revealed a further 50 cements standardised nationally. It became obvious that some of the cements described as traditional by the respective national standardisation bodies have been produced and used for decades so that their durability performance has been proved in practice. In contrast, there are

some cements, also regarded as traditional and well tried which have been produced only for a few years and have been standardised nationally for only one or two years.

In view of the large number of different cements involved, it was considered necessary to separate the "common cements" from special cements i.e. those with additional or special properties. The purpose of EN 197-1 is to specify the composition, requirements and conformity criteria for the common cements. This includes all common cements which are described by the respective national standardisation bodies within CEN as traditional and well tried. Types based on composition and a classification based on strength have been introduced in order to take into account the different cements included. The hardening of these cements mainly depends on the hydration of calcium silicates. Common cements with special properties as well as cements with different hardening processes will be included in further parts of this European Standard or in further European Standards respectively.

The requirements in EN 197-1 are based on the results of tests on cement in accordance with EN 196-1, -2, -3, -5, -6, -7 and -21. The scheme for the evaluation of conformity of common cements is specified in EN 197-2.

Annex A is informative.

According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to implement this European Standard: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

Introduction

It is recognised that different cements have different properties and performance. Those performance tests now available (i.e. setting time, strength and soundness), have been included in EN 197-1. In addition, work is being carried out by CEN/TC 51 to identify any additional tests which are needed to specify further performance characteristics of cement. Until further performance tests are available it is necessary that the choice of cement, especially the type and/or strength class in relation to the requirements for durability depending on exposure class and type of construction in which it is incorporated, follows the appropriate standards and/or regulations for concrete or mortar valid in the place of use.

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1 Scope

EN 197-1 defines and gives the specifications of 27 distinct common cement products and their constituents. The definition of each cement includes the proportions in which the constituents are to be combined to produce these distinct products in a range of six strength classes. The definition also includes requirements the constituents have to meet and the mechanical, physical and chemical requirements of the 27 products and strength classes. EN 197-1 also states the conformity criteria and the related rules. Necessary durability requirements are also given.

NOTE 1 In addition to the specified requirements, an exchange of additional information between the cement manufacturer and user may be helpful. The procedures for such an exchange are not within the scope of EN 197-1 but should be dealt with in accordance with national standards or regulations or may be agreed between the parties concerned.

NOTE 2 The word "cement" in EN 197-1 is used to refer only to common cements unless otherwise specified.

2 Normative references

EN 197-1 incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to EN 197-1 only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 196-1, *Methods of testing cement - Part 1: Determination of strength.*

EN 196-2, *Methods of testing cement - Part 2: Chemical analysis of cement.*

EN 196-3, *Methods of testing cement - Part 3: Determination of setting time and soundness.*

EN 196-5, *Methods of testing cement - Part 5: Pozzolanicity test for pozzolanic cements.*

EN 196-6, *Methods of testing cement - Part 6: Determination of fineness.*

EN 196-7, *Methods of testing cement - Part 7: Methods of taking and preparing samples of cement.*

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EN 196-21¹⁾, *Methods of testing cement - Part 21: Determination of the chloride, carbon dioxide and alkali content of cement.*

EN 197-2, *Cement - Part 2: Conformity evaluation.*

prEN 13639:1999, *Determination of total organic carbon content in limestone.*

EN 451-1, *Method of testing fly ash - Part 1: Determination of free calcium oxide content.*

¹⁾ EN 196-21 is currently being incorporated into EN 196-2.

EN 933-9, *Tests for geometrical properties of aggregates - Part 9: Assessment of fines - Methylene blue test.*

EN 934-2, *Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout - Part 2: Concrete admixtures - Definitions and requirements.*

ISO 9277, *Determination of the specific surface area of solids by gas adsorption using the BET method.*

3 Definitions

For the purposes of EN 197-1, the following definitions apply:

3.1

reactive calcium oxide (CaO)

that fraction of the calcium oxide which under normal hardening conditions can form calcium silicate hydrates or calcium aluminate hydrates

NOTE To evaluate this fraction the total calcium oxide content (see EN 196-2) is reduced by the fraction corresponding to calcium carbonate (CaCO_3), based on the measured carbon dioxide (CO_2) content (see EN 196-21), and the fraction corresponding to calcium sulfate (CaSO_4), based on the measured sulfate (SO_3) content (see EN 196-2) after subtraction of the SO_3 taken up by alkalis.

3.2

reactive silicon dioxide (SiO_2)

that fraction of the silicon dioxide which is soluble after treatment with hydrochloric acid (HCl) and with boiling potassium hydroxide (KOH) solution

NOTE The quantity of reactive silicon dioxide is determined by subtracting from the total silicon dioxide content (see EN 196-2) that fraction contained in the residue insoluble in hydrochloric acid and potassium hydroxide (see EN 196-2), both on a dry basis.

3.3

main constituent

specially selected inorganic material in a proportion exceeding 5 % by mass related to the sum of all main and minor additional constituents

3.4

minor additional constituent

specially selected inorganic material used in a proportion not exceeding a total of 5 % by mass related to the sum of all main and minor additional constituents

3.5

type of common cement

one of the 27 products (see Table 1) in the family of common cements

3.6

strength class of cement

class of compressive strength

3.7**autocontrol testing**

continual testing by the manufacturer of cement spot samples taken at the point(s) of release from the factory/depot

3.8**control period**

period of production and dispatch identified for the evaluation of the autocontrol test results

3.9**characteristic value**

value of a required property outside of which lies a specified percentage, the percentile P_k , of all the values of the population

3.10**specified characteristic value**

characteristic value of a mechanical, physical or chemical property which in the case of an upper limit is not to be exceeded or in the case of a lower limit is, as a minimum, to be reached

3.11**single result limit value**

value of a mechanical, physical or chemical property which – for any single test result – in the case of an upper limit is not to be exceeded or in the case of a lower limit is, as a minimum, to be reached

3.12**allowable probability of acceptance CR**

for a given sampling plan, the allowed probability of acceptance of cement with a characteristic value outside the specified characteristic value

3.13**sampling plan**

specific plan which states the (statistical) sample size(s) to be used, the percentile P_k and the allowable probability of acceptance CR

3.14**spot sample**

sample taken at the same time and from one and the same place, relating to the intended tests. It can be obtained by combining one or more immediately consecutive increments (see EN 196-7)

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4**Cement**

Cement is a hydraulic binder, i.e. a finely ground inorganic material which, when mixed with water, forms a paste which sets and hardens by means of hydration reactions and processes and which, after hardening, retains its strength and stability even under water.

Cement conforming to EN 197-1, termed CEM cement, shall, when appropriately batched and mixed with aggregate and water, be capable of producing concrete or mortar which retains its workability for a sufficient time and shall after defined periods attain specified strength levels and also possess long-term volume stability.

Hydraulic hardening of CEM cement is primarily due to the hydration of calcium silicates but other chemical compounds may also participate in the hardening process, e.g. aluminates. The sum of the proportions of reactive calcium oxide (CaO) and reactive silicon dioxide (SiO₂) in CEM cement shall be at least 50 % by mass when the proportions are determined in accordance with EN 196-2.

CEM cements consist of different materials and are statistically homogeneous in composition resulting from quality assured production and material handling processes. The link between these production and material handling processes and the conformity of cement to EN 197-1 is elaborated in EN 197-2.

NOTE There are also cements whose hardening is mainly due to other compounds, e.g. calcium aluminate in calcium aluminate cement.

5 Constituents

5.1 General

The requirements for the constituents specified in 5.2 to 5.5 shall be determined in principle in accordance with the test methods described in EN 196 unless otherwise specified.

5.2 Main constituents

5.2.1 Portland cement clinker (K)

Portland cement clinker is made by sintering a precisely specified mixture of raw materials (raw meal, paste or slurry) containing elements, usually expressed as oxides, CaO, SiO₂, Al₂O₃, Fe₂O₃ and small quantities of other materials. The raw meal, paste or slurry is finely divided, intimately mixed and therefore homogeneous.

Portland cement clinker is a hydraulic material which shall consist of at least two-thirds by mass of calcium silicates (3CaO · SiO₂ and 2CaO · SiO₂), the remainder consisting of aluminium and iron containing clinker phases and other compounds. The ratio by mass (CaO)/(SiO₂) shall be not less than 2,0. The content of magnesium oxide (MgO) shall not exceed 5,0 % by mass.

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5.2.2 Granulated blastfurnace slag (S)

Granulated blastfurnace slag is made by rapid cooling of a slag melt of suitable composition, as obtained by smelting iron ore in a blastfurnace and contains at least two-thirds by mass of glassy slag and possesses hydraulic properties when suitably activated.

Granulated blastfurnace slag shall consist of at least two-thirds by mass of the sum of calcium oxide (CaO), magnesium oxide (MgO) and silicon dioxide (SiO₂). The remainder contains aluminium oxide (Al₂O₃) together with small amounts of other compounds. The ratio by mass (CaO + MgO)/(SiO₂) shall exceed 1,0.

5.2.3 Pozzolan materials (P, Q)

5.2.3.1 General

Pozzolan materials are natural substances of siliceous or silico-aluminous composition or a combination thereof. Although fly ash and silica fume have pozzolan properties, they are specified in separate clauses (see 5.2.4 and 5.2.7).

Pozzolan materials do not harden in themselves when mixed with water but, when finely ground and in the presence of water, they react at normal ambient temperature with dissolved calcium hydroxide (Ca(OH)_2) to form strength-developing calcium silicate and calcium aluminate compounds. These compounds are similar to those which are formed in the hardening of hydraulic materials. Pozzolanas consist essentially of reactive silicon dioxide (SiO_2) and aluminium oxide (Al_2O_3). The remainder contains iron oxide (Fe_2O_3) and other oxides. The proportion of reactive calcium oxide for hardening is negligible. The reactive silicon dioxide content shall be not less than 25,0 % by mass.

Pozzolan materials shall be correctly prepared, i.e. selected, homogenised, dried, or heat treated and comminuted, depending on their state of production or delivery.

5.2.3.2 Natural pozzolana (P)

Natural pozzolanas are usually materials of volcanic origin or sedimentary rocks with suitable chemical and mineralogical composition and shall conform to 5.2.3.1.

5.2.3.3 Natural calcined pozzolana (Q)

Natural calcined pozzolanas are materials of volcanic origin, clays, shales or sedimentary rocks, activated by thermal treatment and shall conform to 5.2.3.1.

5.2.4 Fly ashes (V, W)

5.2.4.1 General

Fly ash is obtained by electrostatic or mechanical precipitation of dust-like particles from the flue gases from furnaces fired with pulverised coal. Ash obtained by other methods shall not be used in cement that conforms to EN 197-1.

Fly ash may be siliceous or calcareous in nature. The former has pozzolan properties; the latter may have, in addition, hydraulic properties. The loss on ignition of fly ash determined in accordance with EN 196-2, but using an ignition time of 1 h, shall not exceed 5,0 % by mass.

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Fly ash with loss on ignition of 5,0 % to 7,0 % by mass may also be accepted, provided that particular requirements for durability, especially frost resistance, and for compatibility with admixtures are met according to the appropriate standards and/or regulations for concrete or mortar in the place of use. In the case of fly ash with a loss on ignition between 5,0 % and 7,0 % by mass the maximum limit, 7,0 %, shall be stated on the packaging and/or the delivery note of the cement.

5.2.4.2 Siliceous fly ash (V)

Siliceous fly ash is a fine powder of mostly spherical particles having pozzolan properties. It consists essentially of reactive silicon dioxide (SiO_2) and aluminium oxide (Al_2O_3). The remainder contains iron oxide (Fe_2O_3) and other compounds.

The proportion of reactive calcium oxide shall be less than 10,0 % by mass, the content of free calcium oxide, as determined by the method described in EN 451-1 shall not exceed 1,0 % by mass. Fly ash having a free calcium oxide content higher than 1,0 % by mass but less than 2,5 % by mass is also acceptable provided that the requirement on expansion (soundness) does not exceed 10 mm when tested in accordance with EN 196-3 using a mixture of 30 % by mass of siliceous fly ash and 70 % by mass of a CEM I cement conforming to EN 197-1.

The reactive silicon dioxide content shall not be less than 25,0 % by mass.

5.2.4.3 Calcareous fly ash (W)

Calcareous fly ash is a fine powder, having hydraulic and/or pozzolanic properties. It consists essentially of reactive calcium oxide (CaO), reactive silicon dioxide (SiO₂) and aluminium oxide (Al₂O₃). The remainder contains iron oxide (Fe₂O₃) and other compounds. The proportion of reactive calcium oxide shall not be less than 10,0 % by mass. Calcareous fly ash containing between 10,0 % and 15,0 % by mass of reactive calcium oxide shall contain not less than 25,0 % by mass of reactive silicon dioxide.

Adequately ground calcareous fly ash containing more than 15,0 % by mass of reactive calcium oxide, shall have a compressive strength of at least 10,0 MPa at 28 days when tested in accordance with EN 196-1. Before testing, the fly ash shall be ground and the fineness, expressed as the proportion by mass of the ash retained when wet sieved on a 40 µm mesh sieve, shall be between 10 % and 30 % by mass. The test mortar shall be prepared with ground calcareous fly ash only instead of cement. The mortar specimens shall be demoulded 48 h after preparation and then cured in a moist atmosphere of relative humidity of at least 90 % until tested.

The expansion (soundness) of calcareous fly ash shall not exceed 10 mm when tested in accordance with EN 196-3 using a mixture of 30 % by mass of calcareous fly ash ground as described above and 70 % by mass of a CEM I cement conforming to EN 197-1.

NOTE If the sulfate (SO₃) content of the fly ash exceeds the permissible upper limit for the sulfate content of the cement then this has to be taken into account for the manufacture of the cement by appropriately reducing the calcium sulfate-containing constituents.

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5.2.5 Burnt shale (T) (standards.itech.ai)

Burnt shale, specifically burnt oil shale, is produced in a special kiln at temperatures of approximately 800 °C. Owing to the composition of the natural material and the production process, burnt shale contains clinker phases, mainly dicalcium silicate and monocalcium aluminate. It also contains, besides small amounts of free calcium oxide and calcium sulfate, larger proportions of pozzolanically reacting oxides, especially silicon dioxide. Consequently, in a finely ground state burnt shale shows pronounced hydraulic properties like Portland cement and in addition pozzolanic properties.

Adequately ground burnt shale shall have a compressive strength of at least 25,0 MPa at 28 days when tested in accordance with EN 196-1. The test mortar shall be prepared with finely ground burnt shale only instead of cement. The mortar specimens shall be demoulded 48 h after preparation and cured in a moist atmosphere of relative humidity of at least 90 % until tested.