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### Annex ZA (normative) Normative references to international publications with their relevant European publications

This European Standard 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 this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

Publication	Year	<u>Title</u>		<u>EN</u>	Year
ISO 294-3	1996	Plastics - Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials - Part 3: Small plates	· · · · · ·	EN ISO 294-3	1998
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# Plastics — Determination of water absorption

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### Foreword

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Annexes A and B of this International Standard are for information only.

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### Introduction

Plastics exposed to water are subject to several different effects:

- a) dimensional changes (e.g. swelling) caused by absorption of water;
- b) extraction of water-soluble components; and
- c) changes in other properties.

However, exposure to humidity, immersion, and exposure to boiling water can result in distinctly different material responses. The equilibrium moisture content can be used to compare the amount of water absorbed by different types of plastics when they are exposed to moisture. Moisture content determined under non-equilibrium conditions can be used to compare different batches of the same material and to determine the diffusion constant of the material when determined under carefully controlled non-equilibrium exposure conditions to moisture and when using plastic specimens of defined dimensions.

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### **Plastics** — Determination of water absorption

### 1 Scope

**1.1** This International Standard describes a procedure for determining the moisture absorption properties in the "through-the-thickness" direction of flat or curved-form solid plastics. This International Standard also describes procedures for determining the amount of water absorbed by plastic specimens of defined dimensions, when immersed in water or when subjected to humid air under controlled conditions. The "through-the-thickness" moisture diffusion coefficient can be determined for single-phase material by assuming Fickian diffusion behaviour with constant moisture absorption properties through the thickness of the test specimen. This model is valid for homogeneous materials and for reinforced polymer-matrix composites tested below their glass transition temperature. However, some two-phase matrices such as hardened epoxies may require a multi-phase absorption model which is not covered by this International Standard.

**1.2** Ideally the best comparison of the water absorption properties and/or diffusion coefficients of materials should be carried out only using the equilibrium moisture content of plastics exposed to identical conditions. The comparison of materials using properties at moisture equilibrium does not assume, and is therefore not limited to, single-phase Fickian diffusion behaviour.

**1.3** Alternatively, water absorption of plastic specimens of defined dimensions exposed to immersion or humidity under controlled conditions but for an arbitrary time period can be used to compare different batches of the same material or for quality control tests of a given material. For this type of comparison, it is essential that all test specimens be of identical dimensions and as nearly as possible, have the same physical attributes, e.g. surface smoothness, internal stresses, etc. However, moisture equilibrium is not reached under these conditions. Therefore, results from this type of test cannot be used to compare the water absorption properties of different types of plastics. For the more reliable results, simultaneous tests are recommended.

**1.4** The results obtained using the methods described in this International Standard are applicable to most plastics but are not applicable to cellular plastics, granulates, or powders which can show additional absorption and capillary effects. Plastics exposed to moisture under controlled conditions for defined periods of time provide relative comparisons between them. The tests described for determination of diffusion coefficient may not be applicable to all plastics. Plastics that cannot retain their shape when immersed in boiling water should not be compared using method 2 in 6.3.

### 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 175:—<sup>1</sup>), *Plastics* — *Determination of the effects of liquid chemicals, including water*.

ISO 294-3:1996, Plastics — Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials — Part 3: Small plates.

ISO 2818:1994, Plastics — Preparation of test specimens by machining.

<sup>1)</sup> To be published. (Revision of ISO 175:1981)