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

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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.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	Title	<u>EN</u>	<u>Year</u>
ISO 3146	1985	Plastics - Determination of melting (melting temperature or melting range) of semi-crystalline polymers	EN ISO 3146	1997

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International Standard ISO 960 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 61, *Plastics.*

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It cancels and replaces ISO Recommendation R 960, 1969, of which it constitutes a 11b4-455e-8ba4technical revision.

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Plastics — Polyamides (PA) — Determination of water content

1 Scope

1.1 This International Standard specifies methods for the determination of the water content of polyamides and copolyamides as granules and finished articles. The methods are applicable for the determination of water contents down to 0,01 % (m/m). The water content is of importance in connection with the processing of PA, during which it should have a low value to prevent degradation, and for checking the moisture content of test specimens and finished articles.

1.2 Four alternative methods are specified in this International Standard.

Method A is an extraction method using anhydrous methanol and titration of the water by the Karl Fischer method. It is applicable to granules having a maximum size of $4 \text{ mm} \times 4 \text{ mm} \times 3 \text{ mm}$ and can be used for all polyamides and copolyamides. **1.3** Method C is the reference method.

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 listed below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 760 : 1978, Determination of water — Karl Fischer method (General method).

ISO 3146 : 1985, Plastics — Determination of melting behaviour (melting temperature or melting range) of semi-crystalline polymers.

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Method B is a method of extraction by melting under vacuum and titration of the water by the Karl Fischer method. It may be applied to granules or pieces of mouldings but not to fine powders (particle size less than 400 μ m). For low water content (less than 0,1 % (m/m) and precise determination, it is necessary to make a correction for the water of polycondensation¹). This method is not recommended when, during the determination, due to a change in molecular mass, additional water is formed or existing water is bound, except when appropriate correction can be made.

Method C is a method of extraction by dissolving in a mixture of 3-methylphenol and toluene and titration of the water by the Karl Fischer method. It yields results close to those obtained by method A. It has the advantage of being applicable to granules and powders of all sizes and to finished articles with little or no reduction in size.

NOTE — The three methods A, B and C differ in the procedure for isolating the water, which is determined in all three cases by the Karl Fischer method.

Method D is a manometric method. The water content is determined from the pressure increase after evaporation of the water under vacuum. This method cannot be used for polyamides polymerized with strong acids.

3 Method A — Extraction with anhydrous methanol

3.1 Principle

Extraction of a test portion with anhydrous methanol and determination of the extracted water by the Karl Fischer method.

3.2 Reagents

During the analysis, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade.

3.2.1 Methanol, anhydrous, having a water content less than 0,1 % (m/m).

3.2.2 Karl Fischer reagent (see 6.2).

3.3 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and

3.3.1 Glass flasks, of capacity 250 ml, provided with ground glass or rubber stoppers.

1) See KLINE, G.M., Analytical Chemistry of Polymers. Intersc. Pub., Part 1, p. 282 (1958).

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