



## Standard Practice for Sampling Using a Trier Sampler<sup>1</sup>

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### 1. Scope

1.1 This practice covers sampling using a trier. A trier resembles an elongated scoop as shown in Fig. 1. The trier is used to collect samples of granular or powdered materials that are moist or sticky and have a particle diameter less than one-half the diameter of the trier.

1.2 The trier can be used as a vertical coring device only when it is certain that a relatively complete and cylindrical sample can be extracted.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety problems, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

### 2. Referenced Documents

#### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

- D 4687 Guide for General Planning of Waste Sampling<sup>2</sup>
- D 5088 Practice for the Decontamination of Field Equipment Used at Non-Radioactive Waste Sites<sup>3</sup>
- D 5283 Practice for Generation of Environmental Data Related to Waste Management Activities: Quality Assurance and Quality Control Planning and Implementation<sup>2</sup>

### 3. Summary of Practice

3.1 As a coring device, the trier is pushed into the material to be sampled and is turned to cut the core. The core is then removed from the hole.

### 4. Significance and Use

4.1 This practice is applicable to sampling soils and similar fine-grained cohesive materials. This practice is to be used by personnel who are to acquire the samples.

4.2 This practice should be used in conjunction with Guide D 4687, which covers sampling plans, safety, quality assurance, preservation, decontamination, labeling, and chain-of-custody procedures; Practice D 5088, which covers the decontamination of field equipment used at waste sites; and Practice D 5283, which covers project specifications and practices for

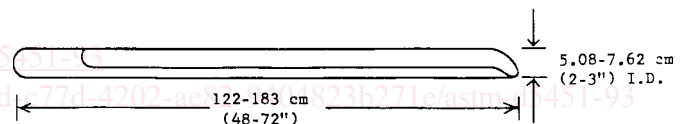
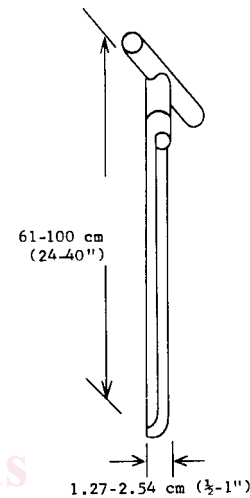


FIG. 1 Triers (Typical)

environmental field operations.

### 5. Sampling Equipment

5.1 The trier should be made from materials that are compatible with the substances being sampled and with the tests or analyses to be performed. Either stainless steel or polytetrafluoroethylene-coated metal will be suitable for most situations (see Fig. 1).

### 6. Sample Containers

6.1 Plastic, glass, or other nonreactive containers should be used. Refer to Guide D 4687 for further information on containers.

### 7. Procedure

7.1 Record appropriate information and observations on the sample location.

7.2 If sampling soils, remove surface vegetation or debris, or both, from the area of sample extraction.

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<sup>2</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 11.04.

<sup>3</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.08.