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(BIIR and CIIR) — Evaluation procedures**

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Foreword

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International Standard ISO 7663 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 45, *Rubber and rubber products*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Raw materials (including latex) for use in the rubber industry*. [ISO 7663:1995](#)

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 7663:1994), which has been revised to include, for information only, an additional mixing procedure for use with miniature internal mixers (see annex A).

Annex A of this International Standard is for information only.

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WARNING — Persons using this International Standard should be familiar with normal laboratory practice. The standard does not purport to address all of the safety problems, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user to establish appropriate safety and health practices and to ensure compliance with any national regulatory conditions.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies

- physical and chemical tests on raw rubbers;
- standard materials, standard test formulation, equipment and processing methods for evaluating the vulcanization characteristics of halogenated isobutene-isoprene rubbers (BIIR and CIIR).

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 37:1994, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tensile stress-strain properties.*

ISO 247:1990, *Rubber — Determination of ash.*

ISO 248:1991, *Rubbers, raw — Determination of volatile-matter content.*

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ISO 289-1:1994, *Rubber, unvulcanized — Determinations using a shearing-disc viscometer — Part 1: Determination of Mooney viscosity.*

ISO 471:1995, *Rubber — Temperatures, humidities and times for conditioning and testing.*

ISO 1795:1992, *Rubber, raw, natural and synthetic — Sampling and further preparative procedures.*

ISO 2393:1994, *Rubber test mixes — Preparation, mixing and vulcanization — Equipment and procedures.*

ISO 3417:1991, *Rubber — Measurement of vulcanization characteristics with the oscillating disc curemeter.*

ISO 6502:1991, *Rubber — Measurement of vulcanization characteristics with rotorless curemeters.*

3 Sampling and further preparative procedures

Take a laboratory sample of approximately 1,5 kg in accordance with ISO 1795.

4 Physical and chemical tests on raw rubber

4.1 Mooney viscosity

Prepare a test portion without milling, in accordance with the preferred procedure described in ISO 1795.

Determine the Mooney viscosity in accordance with ISO 289-1, using a running time of 8 min. Express the viscosity as ML (1 + 8) at 125 °C.

4.2 Volatile matter

Determine the volatile-matter content by the oven method specified in ISO 248.

4.3 Ash

Determine the ash in accordance with method B specified in ISO 247:1990.

5 Preparation of test mixes for evaluation of halogenated isobutene-isoprene rubbers

5.1 Standard test formulation

The standard test formulation is given in table 1.

The materials shall be national or international standard reference materials.

Table 1 — Standard test formulation for evaluation of halogenated isobutene-isoprene rubbers

Material	Parts by mass
Halogenated isobutene-isoprene rubber (BIIR or CIIR)	100,0
Zinc oxide	5,0
Stearic acid	1,0
Industry reference black ¹⁾	40,0
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1) Use the current IRB.

5.2 Procedure

5.2.1 Equipment and procedure

The equipment and procedure used for preparation, mixing and vulcanization shall be in accordance with ISO 2393.

An additional mixing procedure, for use with miniature internal mixers, is given for information only in annex A.

5.2.2 Mill mixing procedure

The standard laboratory mill batch mass, in grams, shall be based on twice the formulation mass. Maintain the surface temperature of the rolls at 40 °C ± 5 °C throughout the mixing.

Due to the high sensitivity of halogenated isobutene-isoprene rubber to moisture on vulcanization, care shall be taken when conditioning carbon black and during storage to minimize water absorption by placing it in closed containers.

Maintain a good rolling bank at the nip of the rolls during mixing. If this is not obtained with the nip settings specified, small adjustments to the mill openings may be necessary.

Mix the stearic acid and carbon black together in a suitable container before starting to mix.

	Duration (min)	Cumulative time (min)
a) Band the rubber on the slower roll with the mill opening set at 0,65 mm.	1,0	1,0
b) Add the mixture of stearic acid and carbon black evenly across the mill at a uniform rate. Be certain to add any mixture that has dropped into the mill pan.	9,5	10,5
c) When all of the mixture of stearic acid and carbon black has been incorporated, make one 3/4 cut from each side. Do not cut the band until all visible free black has been incorporated.	0,5	11,0
d) Add the zinc oxide.	3,0	14,0

- e) When all of the zinc oxide has been incorporated, make three 3/4 cuts from each side. 2,0 16,0
- f) Cut the batch from the mill. Set the mill opening to 0,8 mm and pass the rolled batch endwise through the rolls six times. 2,0 18,0
- g) Sheet the batch to an approximate thickness of 6 mm and determine the mass of the batch (see ISO 2393). If the mass of the batch differs from the theoretical value by more than 0,5 %, discard the batch and re-mix. Remove sufficient material for curemeter testing.
- h) Sheet the batch to approximately 2,2 mm for preparing test slabs or to the appropriate thickness for preparing ISO ring test pieces in accordance with ISO 37.
- i) Condition the batch for 2 h to 24 h, after mixing and prior to vulcanizing, if possible at standard temperature and humidity as defined in ISO 471.

die temperature: 160 °C ± 0,3 °C
pre-heat time: None

6.2 Using a rotorless (torsion shear) curemeter

Measure the following standard test parameters:

F_L , F_{max} at defined time, t_{s1} , $t'_{0,50}$ and $t'_{0,90}$

in accordance with ISO 6502, using the following test conditions:

oscillation frequency: 1,7 Hz (100 cycles per minute)

amplitude of oscillation: 0,5° arc

An amplitude of oscillation of 1° arc is permitted as an alternative. If such an amplitude is chosen, measure t_{s2} instead of t_{s1} .

6 Evaluation of vulcanization characteristics

6.1 Using an oscillating-disc curemeter

Measure the following standard test parameters:

M_L , M_H at defined time, t_{s1} , $t'_c(50)$ and $t'_c(90)$

in accordance with ISO 3417, using the following test conditions:

oscillation frequency: 1,7 Hz (100 cycles per minute)

amplitude of oscillation: 1° arc

An amplitude of oscillation of 3° arc is permitted as an alternative. If such an amplitude is chosen, measure t_{s2} instead of t_{s1} .

selectivity: To be chosen to give at least 75 % of full-scale deflection at M_H .

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To be chosen to give at least 75 % of full-scale deflection at F_{max} .

die temperature: 160 °C ± 0,3 °C

pre-heat time: None

NOTE 1 The two types of curemeter may not give identical results.

7 Evaluation of tensile stress-strain properties of vulcanized test mixes

Vulcanize sheets at 150 °C for 15 min, 30 min and 45 min.

Condition the vulcanized sheets for 16 h to 96 h, at a standard temperature, and, if possible, at a standard humidity, defined in ISO 471.

Measure the stress-strain properties in accordance with ISO 37.

8 Test report

The test report shall include the following:

- a) a reference to this International Standard;
- b) all details necessary for the identification of the sample;
- c) the temperature used for the Mooney viscosity determination;
- d) the reference materials used;
- e) the conditioning conditions used in 5.2.2 i) and clause 7;
- f) in clause 6:
 - the type of curemeter used and the reference standard,
 - the time for M_H or F_{max} and
 - the amplitude of oscillation used for the curemeter test;
- g) any unusual features noted during the determination;
- h) any operation not included in this International Standard or in the International Standards to which reference is made, as well as any operation regarded as optional;
- i) the results and the units in which they have been expressed;
- j) the date of the test.

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Annex A (informative)

Miniature internal mixer procedure

NOTE 2 Compounds prepared by this procedure will not normally give the same test results as those obtained by mill mixing, but the results may be correlated.

For a miniature internal mixer having a nominal mixing capacity of 64 cm³, a batch mass corresponding to 0,48 times the formulation mass (i.e. 0,48 × 146,0 g = 70,08 g) has been found to be suitable.

A.1 Mix with the head temperature of the miniature internal mixer maintained at 60 °C ± 3 °C and the unloaded rotor speed at 6,3 rad/s to 6,6 rad/s (60 rpm to 63 rpm).

A.2 Condition the carbon black for 1 h at 125 °C ± 3 °C. The thickness of the layer of carbon black shall not exceed 10 mm. These conditions are critical with halogenated butyl rubber where the simple zinc oxide cure is used.

Prepare the rubber by passing it through a mill once with the temperature set at 50 °C ± 5 °C and an opening of 0,5 mm. Cut the sheet into strips approximately 20 mm wide.

A.3 Turn on the mixer and confirm that the conditions in A.1 are met.

	Dur- ation (min)	Cumulat- ive time (min)
a) Charge the stearic acid, zinc oxide and carbon black first, followed by 3/4 of the rubber, lower the ram and start the timing.	0,0	0,0

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| b) Allow the batch to mix, raise the ram momentarily to sweep down, if necessary. Add the rest of the rubber. | 1,5 | 1,5 |
| c) Allow the batch to mix. | 3,5 | 5,0 |

A.4 Turn off the rotor, raise the ram, remove the head and discharge the batch. Record the batch temperature. The final temperature of the batch 5 min after discharge shall not exceed 120 °C. If necessary, adjust the batch mass or the head temperature so that this condition is achieved.

A.5 Immediately pass the batch twice through a mill set at 40 °C ± 5 °C and a 3 mm opening, or press the batch between two stainless-steel platens in a cold press at 30 °C ± 5 °C with a force of 100 kN for 5 s.

A.6 Determine the batch mass and record. If it differs from the theoretical value by more than 0,5 %, discard the batch.

A.7 From the batch, cut a test piece for testing vulcanization characteristics in accordance with ISO 3417. Condition the test piece for 2 h to 24 h after mixing and prior to vulcanizing, if possible, at standard temperature and humidity in accordance with ISO 471.

A.8 If required, sheet the batch to approximately 2,2 mm for preparing test sheets or to the appropriate thickness for preparing ring test pieces in accordance with ISO 37.

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