
**Hygrothermal performance of building
materials and products — Determination
of moisture content by drying at elevated
temperature**

*Performance hygrothermique des matériaux et produits pour le bâtiment —
Détermination du taux d'humidité par séchage à chaud*

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The text of EN ISO 12570:2000 has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 89 "Thermal performance of buildings and building components", the secretariat of which is held by SIS, in collaboration with Technical Committee ISO/TC 163 "Thermal insulation".

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This standard is one of a series of standards which specify test methods for the thermal and moisture related properties of building materials and products.

Introduction

The moisture content of a material can be used for various purposes, such as

- part of a test method for the moisture related behaviour of the material;
- to characterize the material's state;
- to compare the actual moisture content with a critical or safe moisture content or to assess the moisture distribution.

The test specimens, number, size and preparation can be specified in the relevant product standards for the different types of materials.

