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## 1. SCOPE

This Technical Report specifies the agreed values for the properties of Standard Reference Blacks (SRB) to be used in conjunction with methods of test for carbon black.

## 2. REFERENCES

- ISO-1304-1985 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of iodine adsorption number - Titrimetric method.
- ISO-4652-1-1994 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of specific surface area - Nitrogen adsorption methods.  
Part 1: Single-point procedure
- ISO-4656-1-1992 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of dibutylphthalate absorption number - Part 1: method using absorptometer.
- ISO-4656-2-1991 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of dibutylphthalate absorption number - Part 2: method using plastograph or plasticorder.
- ISO-5435-1994 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of tinting strength.
- ISO-6810-1995 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Determination of surface area - CTAB adsorption methods.
- ISO-6894-1991 Rubber compounding ingredients - Carbon black - Preparation of samples for determination of dibutylphthalate absorption number (compressed sample).
- ASTM-D-4820-1993 Carbon black - Surface area by multipoint B.E.T. nitrogen adsorption.

Note: An ISO equivalent Standard in preparation in 1995.

### 3. AGREED VALUES

The agreed values for the properties of Standard Reference Blacks are given in the following tables 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Table 1: agreed values of the Standard Reference Blacks certified in 1994 (SRB-5 series).

Table 2: agreed values of the Standard Reference Blacks certified in 1989 (SRB-4 series).

Table 3: agreed values of the Standard Reference Blacks certified in 1983 (SRB-3 series).

Table 4: agreed values of the Standard Reference Blacks certified in 1978 (SRB-2 series).

Table 5: agreed values of the Standard Reference Blacks certified in 1974 (SRB-1 series).

The tables 3, 4 and 5 are for historical documentation purposes only, as these Reference Materials are no more available commercially, for those who would still have some of them.

The SRB-4 were not exhausted totally, particularly the SRB-F4, by the end of 1994. This Standard will be supplied, till exhaustion, before switching to the SRB-F5.

For the sake of good order, the table 1 includes as well:

- the agreed values of the ITRB (Industry Tint Reference Black) used for calibration purposes in the test procedures for the determinations of the CTAB surface area and tinting strength of rubber grade carbon blacks.
- the accepted values of the current IRB (Industry Reference Black No. 6).

Property	Unit	A-5 (1)	B-5 (1)	C-5 (1)	D-5 (1)	E-5 (1)	F-5 (1)	G (5)	ITRB (2)	IRB No. 6 (3)	Method of test
Iodine adsorption number	g/kg	151,1 (± 1.62)	79,1 (± 0.82)	121,1 (± 0.96)	28,7 (± 1.09)	35,1 (± 1.08)	38,5 (± 1.20)		-	80 (± 1)	ISO 1304
CTAB surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	127,5 (± 2.08)	77,4 (± 2.56)	117,2 (± 1.36)	29,4 (± 1.06)	37,2 (± 1.30)	40,9 (± 1.18)		83	-	ISO 6810
Nitrogen surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	141,5 (± 1.02)	74,3 (± 0.68)	122,0 (± 1.82)	27,5 (± 0.32)	35,3 (± 0.58)	39,1 (± 0.58)		-	-	ASTM D-4820
Dibutylphthalate absorption of compressed sample	10 <sup>-3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /kg	118,4 (± 1.04)	86,5 (± 1.24)	98,7 (± 1.02)	57,8 (± 1.16)	72,7 (± 1.26)	88,9 (± 1.36)		-	87,2 (± 1)	ISO 6894
Dibutylphthalate absorption (4) - mass used	g	20	20	20	25	20	20	40	-	100 (± 1)	ISO 4656-1 or ISO 4656-2
Tinting strength	% ITRB	123,1 (± 1.34)	98,3 (± 1.04)	117,5 (± 1.92)	49,5 (± 1.20)	55,3 (± 0.72)	58,0 (± 0.98)		100	99,2 (± 1,5)	ISO 5435
Type	-	N 135	N 330	N 220	N 762	N 660	N 683	N 990	N 330	N 330	-

Table 1 - Agreed values for properties of standard reference blacks dried at 125 °C

( ) Two standard deviations - 95 % confidence. "The limits of uncertainty" are shown to indicate ranges within which replicate interlaboratory testing has been able to fix the consensus standard values; they are not to be confused with or interpreted as the repeatability precision of the respective test methods.

(1) Samples of Standard Reference Blacks are available from:  
Titan Specialties, P. O. Box 2316, Pampa, TX 79066, - 2316, USA

(2) ITRB is available from:  
Titan Specialties, P. O. Box 2316, Pampa, TX 79066, - 2316, USA

(3) Industry reference black IRB No. 6 is available from:  
J. M. Huber Customer Service Dept., P. O. Box 2831, Borger, TX 79008 - 2831, USA  
and  
Degussa AG, AC-KP-VK- Postfach 11 05 33, Weißfrauenstraße 9, D-60311 Frankfurt, Germany

(4) Data obtained after mechanical calibration of absorptometers with SRB-F4

Property	Unit	A-4 (1)	B-4 (1)	C-4 (1)	D-4 (1)	E-4 (1)	F-4 (1)	Method of test
Iodine adsorption number	g/kg	82,7 (± 0,57)	79,3 (± 0,65)	121,1 (± 1,01)	26,5 (± 1,03)	36,0 (± 0,38)	37,7 (± 0,70)	ISO 1304
CTAB surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	82,5 (± 2,31)	79,1 (± 2,03)	120,5 (± 2,71)	24,9 (± 1,74)	36,6 (± 1,13)	40,5 (± 1,01)	ISO 6810
Nitrogen surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	77,3 (± 0,53)	74,4 (± 1,06)	124,2 (± 1,09)	24,1 (± 0,25)	34,6 (± 0,54)	38,5 (± 0,41)	ASTM D-4820
Dibutylphthalate absorption of compressed sample	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	68,3 (± 1,30)	86,6 (± 1,35)	108,9 (± 1,09)	58,9 (± 1,11)	75,7 (± 1,19)	88,0 (± 1,33)	ISO 6894
Dibutylphthalate absorption - mass used	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg g	70,8 (± 0,63) 20	100,0 (± 0,92) 20	131,0 (± 0,97) 20	64,8 (± 0,88) 25	90,4 (± 1,49) 20	130,6 (± 1,27) 20	ISO 4656-1 or ISO 4656-2
Tinting strength	% ITRB	110,8 (± 1,17)	98,5 (± 1,35)	119,5 (± 1,48)	41,2 (± 0,80)	55,2 (± 0,68)	55,8 (± 0,96)	ISO 5435
Type	-	N 326	N 330	N 121	N 762	N 660	N 683	-

Table 2 - Agreed values for properties of standard reference blacks dried at 125 °C

( ) Two standard deviations - 95 % confidence. "The limits of uncertainty" are shown to indicate ranges within which replicate interlaboratory testing has been able to fix the consensus standard values; they are not to be confused with or interpreted as the repeatability precision of the respective test methods.

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Property	Unit	A-3	B-3 (IRB-5)	C-3	D-3	Method of test
Iodine adsorption number	g/kg	22,5 ± 1	79,4 ± 1	111,4 ± 1	32,0 ± 1	ISO 1304
CTAB surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	24,2 ± 1	79,9 ± 1	113,0 ± 1	40,6 ± 1	ISO 6810
Nitrogen surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	23,6 ± 1	79,5 ± 1	119,8 ± 1	37,9 ± 1	ISO 4652
Dibutylphthalate absorption of compressed sample	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	58,9 ± 1	89,2 ± 1	102,0 ± 1	89,0 ± 1	ISO 6894
Dibutylphthalate absorption - mass used	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg g	67,0 ± 1 25	101,2 ± 1 20	119,8 ± 1 20	129,8 ± 1 20	ISO 4656-1 or ISO 4656-2
Tinting strength	% ITRB	110,8 (± 1,17)	98,5 (± 1,35)	119,5 (± 1,48)	41,2 (± 0,80)	ISO 5435
Type	-	N 762	N 330	N 234	N 683	-

**Table 3 - Agreed values for properties of standard reference blacks dried at 125 °C**

The SRB-3 are no more available.

Property	Unit	A-2	B-2 (IRB-4)	C-2	D-2	E-2	F-2	Method of test
Iodine adsorption number	g/kg	80,3 ± 1	80,5 ± 1	116,5 ± 1	36,1 ± 1	-	-	ISO 1304
CTAB surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	-	-	-	-	-	-	ISO 6810
Nitrogen surface area	10 <sup>3</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	85,0 ± 1	80,5 ± 1	122,3 ± 1	38,7 ± 1	-	-	ISO 4652
Dibutylphthalate absorption of compressed sample	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /kg	66,6 ± 1	86,6 ± 1	103,2 ± 1	88,6 ± 1	76,7 ± 1	59,8 ± 1	ISO 6894
Dibutylphthalate absorption - mass used	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /kg g	71,0 ± 1 20	97,5 ± 1 20	122,7 ± 1 20	129,5 ± 1 20	90,3 ± 1 20	65,1 ± 1 25	ISO 4656-1 or ISO 4656-2
Tinting strength (1)	% ITRB	113,5 ± 1,8	105,9 ± 0,9	117,5 ± 1,5	56,0 ± 1,5	-	-	ISO 5435
Type	-	N 326	N 330	N 234	N 683	N 660	N 762	-

Table 4 - Agreed values for properties of standard reference blacks dried at 125 °C

(1) Measured with NBS zinc oxide.

The SRB-2 are no more available.



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Iodine adsorption number	g/kg	27,9 ± 1	81,0 ± 1	120,4 ± 1	ISO 1304
CTAB surface area	10 <sup>2</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	-	-	-	ISO 6810
Nitrogen surface area	10 <sup>2</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	30,7 ± 1	79,8 ± 1	140,9 ± 1	ISO 4652
Dibutylphthalate absorption of compressed sample	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg	64,0 ± 1	86,4 ± 1	99,8 ± 1	ISO 6894
Dibutylphthalate absorption - mass used	10 <sup>-5</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /kg g	72,4 ± 1 25	96,6 ± 1 20	122,6 ± 1 20	ISO 4656-1 or ISO 4656-2
Tinting strength (1)	% ITRB	56,5 ± 1,8	106,4 ± 1,3	128,5 ± 1,6	ISO 5435
Type	-	N 774	N 330	N 234	-
<b>Table 5 - Agreed values for properties of standard reference blacks dried at 125 °C</b>					

(1) Measured with NBS zinc oxide.

The SRB-1 are no more available.