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Foreword

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EN 15254-2:2009 (E)**1 Scope**

This document provides guidance, and where appropriate defines procedures, for variations of products and element construction parameters related to the design of internal and external non-loadbearing walls made of clay units, calcium silicate units, aggregate concrete units, autoclaved aerated concrete units and gypsum blocks with different types of mortar that have been tested in accordance with EN 1364-1.

Manufactured stone masonry units according to EN 771-5 are not covered.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 771-1, *Specification for masonry units — Part 1: Clay masonry units*

EN 771-2, *Specification for masonry units — Part 2: Calcium silicate masonry units*

EN 771-3, *Specification for masonry units — Part 3: Aggregate concrete masonry units (Dense and light-weight aggregates)*

EN 771-4, *Specification for masonry units — Part 4: Autoclaved aerated concrete masonry units*

EN 772-16, *Methods of test for masonry units — Part 16: Determination of dimensions*

EN 998-1, *Specification for mortar for masonry — Part 1: Rendering and plastering mortar*

EN 998-2, *Specification for mortar for masonry — Part 2: Masonry mortar*

EN 1363-1, *Fire resistance tests — Part 1: General requirements*

EN 1363-2, *Fire resistance tests — Part 2: Alternative and additional procedures*

EN 1364-1, *Fire resistance tests for non-loadbearing elements — Part 1: Walls*

EN 1996-1-1, *Eurocode 6 — Design of masonry structures — Part 1-1: General rules for reinforced and unreinforced masonry structures*

EN 1996-1-2:2005, *Eurocode 6 — Design of masonry structures — Part 1-2: General rules — Structural fire design*

EN 1996-3, *Eurocode 6 — Design of masonry structures — Part 3: Simplified calculation methods for unreinforced masonry structures*

EN 12859, *Gypsum blocks — Definitions, requirements and test methods*

EN 12860, *Gypsum based adhesive for gypsum blocks — Definitions, requirements and test methods*

EN 13501-2, *Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Part 2: Classification using data from fire resistance tests, excluding ventilation services*

EN 15318, *Design and application of gypsum blocks*

3 Definitions

For the purpose of this standard, the definitions given in EN 1996-1-2:2005 and the following, apply.

3.1

unfilled perpend joints

vertical plain joints or joints with tongue and groove, not filled with mortar or adhesive

3.2

historic test data

test data generated by fire resistance tests that have been undertaken by an accredited and/or Notified Test Laboratory or by a laboratory officially recognised by national fire authorities in accordance with European and/or former and current national standards based on the temperature-time curve identical to the one specified in EN 1363-1 (and defined in ISO 834)

NOTE 1 Previously existing test data is acceptable even though the test may not have been carried out using the plate thermometer.

NOTE 2 This data may only be used as described in this European Standard.

NOTE 3 Previously existing test data is acceptable provided that there has been no change to the product since this data was generated.

3.3

reference test

fire resistance test in accordance with EN 1364-1, and where applicable EN 1363-2, on which the extended application is based and the results of which are used as the main source of data for the extended application

3.4

test result

outcome of a testing process and its associated procedures detailed within a specific test standard (which may include some processing of the results from the testing of a number of specimens)

NOTE A test result is expressed in terms of one or more fire performance parameter(s).

4 General principles

4.1 General

(1) The fire resistance behaviour of masonry mainly depends on:

- masonry unit material - clay, calcium silicate, autoclaved aerated concrete, dense/lightweight aggregate concrete or gypsum;
- type of unit - solid or hollow (type of holes, percentage and direction of holes), shell and web thickness;
- dimensions of units, especially the height;
- gross density of units;
- strength of units;
- type of mortar - general purpose, thin layer or lightweight mortar;
- type of perpend joint – filled or unfilled perpend joint, especially for unplastered walls;
- use of finishes;

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- geometrical slenderness of the wall, as defined in EN 1996-1-1;
- length of the wall between vertical stiffeners.

(2) For the determination of values by consideration of test results, the interpretation of any existing fire test result has to be based on the requirements for the relevant test method from EN 1364-1. For the evaluation of historic test data, differences between the test methods, in particular, fixed ends, free ends or one fixed end and one partly free end with respect to both directions (horizontal and vertical) have to be considered. Any historical test data shall be obtained by a comparable or a more onerous test method than in EN 1364-1 on a wall which is of the same or of worse resistance to fire performance.

(3) Extrapolations are only possible within the same type of material – e.g. tests on clay unit masonry with units according to EN 771-1 may only be used for extrapolations for clay unit masonry.

(4) To establish the extended application, the rules given in Clause 5 shall be followed for each of the given parameters.

(5) Whenever a parameter change goes beyond the limits defined in this document, a new reference test is needed.

4.2 Classifications

In some cases there are different extended application rules given for the classifications EI, E and E-W respectively and for the classification EI-M as defined in EN 13501-2.

4.3 Additional information

For the classification according to these extended application rules additional information on material properties and additional measurements during the test procedure according to EN 1363-1, EN 1364-1 and EN 1363-2 or historic standard national fire test methods are necessary:

- measurement of the deflection of the test specimen at least in mid height, to allow for an extrapolation for height, see 5.5 4;
- gross dry density, compressive strength and moisture content of the units (i.e. difference between density of the units at the start of the fire test and the gross dry density of the units, related to the gross dry density of the units, in percent by mass);
- percentage of voids, web and shell thickness and combined thickness according to EN 772-16 for perforated units;
- gross dry density and compressive strength of the mortar;
- thickness of unfilled perpend joints in unplastered or unrendered walls;
- thickness and type of plaster or render in rendered walls.

NOTE The measurement of the temperature within the test specimen at least in mid height across the wall thickness is advised to allow for a future calculation of fire resistances according to EN 1996-1-2. Thermocouples should be placed at least in depths of 10, 30 and 50 mm from the exposed side and then every 50 mm.

5 Rules for extended application

5.1 Units according to EN 771-1, EN 771-2, EN 771-3 and EN 771-4

5.1.1 Rules for units

(1) Extrapolations are only possible within the same type of material – e.g. tests on clay unit masonry with units according to EN 771-1 can only be used for extrapolations for clay unit masonry. Test results for lightweight aggregate concrete masonry cannot be applied for dense concrete unit masonry.

(2) The test results are valid for the tested type of unit. If solid units, i.e. group 1 units according to EN 1996-1-1 are tested, the results are only valid for group 1 units with the same or a smaller percentage of voids.

(3) For vertically perforated units (group 1, 2 and group 3 according to EN 1996-1-1), the test results can be applied for units with the same or a smaller percentage of voids. If the difference between the tested percentage of voids and the upper limit of the group in EN 1996-1-1 is less than 5 % of the overall surface of the unit, test results are valid for all percentages of voids within that group. The tested percentage of voids can be rounded up to the next multiple of 5 %.

(4) For vertically perforated units, the test results can be applied for units with the same or a higher thickness of webs and shells and for the same or higher values of the combined thickness according to EN 772-16. The value of the combined thickness can be rounded down to the next multiple of 10 mm/m.

(5) Test results for vertically perforated units meeting all the requirements of 5.1.1 can be applied for solid units.

(6) For the classification EI, E and E-W the test results are valid for the tested size of the unit and units larger in height, length and width.

(7) For units with a length between 200 and 1 000 mm, test results for a unit length from that range are valid for the whole range of unit lengths between 200 and 1 000 mm.

(8) For the classification EI-M, test results are valid for the tested length and width and units larger in length and width. It is not possible to extrapolate from tests on masonry walls with unit heights equal or smaller than 250 mm to units with greater heights.

(9) For tested wall thicknesses up to 140 mm, the test results are valid for masonry with units with the same or a higher declared value of the gross density of the units within the following ranges:

- unit density between 300 and 999 kg/m³: tested density and up to 800 kg/m³ higher density or 1 600 kg/m³, the lower value applying;
- unit density between 1 000 and 2 200 kg/m³: tested density and up to 600 kg/m³ higher density.

Test results for lightweight aggregate concrete masonry cannot be applied for dense concrete unit masonry.

(10) For wall thicknesses greater than 140 mm, the test results are valid for masonry units with a higher declared value of the gross density of units. Test results for lightweight aggregate concrete masonry cannot be applied for dense concrete unit masonry.

(11) The tested density can be rounded down within the following ranges:

- for unit densities between 300 and 999 kg/m³ to the next multiple of 50 kg/m³;
- for unit densities between 1 000 and 2 200 kg/m³ to the next multiple of 200 kg/m³.