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## Rubber latex — Determination of surface tension

*Latex de caoutchouc — Détermination de la tension superficielle*

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## Foreword

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International Standard ISO 1409 was developed by Technical Committee ISO/TC 45, *Rubber and rubber products*.

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## 1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies a method for the determination of the surface tension of synthetic or natural rubber latices. The surface tension of the latex is determined at a total solids content of 40 % or less.

## 2 References

ISO 123, *Rubber latex — Sampling*.<sup>1)</sup>

ISO 124, *Rubber latices — Determination of total solids content*.

## 3 Apparatus

**3.1 Leconte du Nouy tensiometer**, with platinum ring of either 60 mm or 40 mm nominal circumference.

**3.2 Glass dish**, of 50 cm<sup>3</sup> capacity<sup>2)</sup> with internal diameter of at least 45 mm.

## 4 Sampling

Carry out the sampling in accordance with one of the methods specified in ISO 123.

## 5 Procedure

Clean the dish carefully, since any contamination may produce variable results. Clean the tensiometer ring by washing in water and then heating in the oxidizing section of a Bunsen flame. Take extreme care to avoid distortion when handling the tensiometer ring.

Carefully calibrate the tensiometer scale against a standard mass in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, so that the scale will read in millinewtons per metre.

If the total solids content of the latex is not known, determine it in accordance with ISO 124. If necessary, dilute the latex to a total solids content of  $40 \pm 1$  % with distilled water or water of equivalent purity. Strain approximately 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of the latex, adjusted to a temperature<sup>3)</sup> of  $23 \pm 2$  °C, into the dish. Remove any skin or air bubbles on the surface of the latex by wiping with a piece of filter paper, and measure the surface tension immediately to avoid errors due to the formation of surface skin.

1) At present at the stage of draft. (Revision of ISO 123-1974.)

2) The term millilitre (ml) is commonly used as a special name for the cubic centimetre (cm<sup>3</sup>), in accordance with a decision of the 12th Conférence Générale des Poids et Mesures. The term millilitre is acceptable, in general, for references in International Standards to capacities of volumetric glassware and to liquid volumes. Glassware with either marking is satisfactory for use with the procedure described in this International Standard.

3) The temperature coefficient of surface tension of rubber latices over the temperature range 20 to 30 °C is  $-0,1$  mN/m per °C.