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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 125 "Masonry", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by September 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by September 2000.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method of determining the freeze-thaw resistance of calcium silicate masonry units.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

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

prEN 772-1 Methods of test for masonry units - Part 1 : Determination of compressive strength

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3 Principle

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Calcium silicate masonry units are conditioned by immersion in water in a prescribed way and are then subjected to repeated cycles of freezing and thawing. Damage is assessed visually. For samples where visual damage is apparent the compressive strength of the units can be compared with similar samples that have not been subjected to the freeze-thaw regime.

4 Symbols

R_c is the reduction in strength (%)
 f_n is the compressive strength of the sample that is set aside, (N/mm²)
 f_f is the compressive strength of the sample that is subjected to the freeze-thaw cycling, (N/mm²)

5 Apparatus

Freezing cabinet, of net effective volume at least five times that of the volume of the samples to be tested and which is capable of developing an even air temperature of -15 °C in between 3 h and 5 h.

6 Sampling

6.1 Sampling

The method of sampling shall be stated in the test report. The minimum number of specimens shall be as given in 6.2 below, but a larger minimum number may be specified in the product specification, in which case that larger number shall be used.

6.2 Specimens for freeze-thaw testing

For units with a length ≥ 500 mm and/or height ≥ 300 mm, a total of three units is required from which representative portions may be cut in accordance with B.3 of EN 771-2.

For units with a length < 500 mm and a height < 300 mm, the test shall be carried out on at least six whole units or on six specimens each of which is obtained by cutting in accordance with B.3 of EN 771-2. When more than one size is tested in the same freezing cabinet, the larger units shall be cut down to the dimensions of the smallest unit to be tested.

6.3 Specimens for compressive strength testing

Sufficient specimens of either type, in accordance with prEN 772-1, shall be set aside and stored for compressive strength testing.

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7 Procedure

Mark any damage that may have been sustained by the specimens prior to the test.

Immerse the specimens in water at $20^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ oriented so that the longest dimension of each is in the vertical plane. Initially immerse to about one quarter of their height and in such a way that water can circulate freely on all sides.

After 1 h, immerse the specimens to about half the height of the specimens and after a further 1 h to three-quarters of their height.

After 24 h, immerse the specimens fully in water. After a further 24 h remove them from the water or drain the water and then commence the freezing cycle with the specimens in the same position.

Regulate the air temperature in the freezing cabinet so that it drops gradually in 3 h to 5 h to -15°C . Maintain this temperature for at least 2 h. After the freezing cycle, thaw the specimens by immersing them fully in water at a temperature of $20^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ for at least 1 h.

Subject the specimens to fifty freeze-thaw cycles, as described above.

Note any visible damage to the specimens under the following categories;

- Loss of flatness, e.g. bulging of the surface of the specimens;
- Cavities in excess of 5 mm diameter;
- Cracking of the specimen (e.g. surface cracking).

Ignore all previously marked damage. Evaluation of damage due to freezing and thawing shall be done only on the sides of the specimens that were not created by cutting.

If the specimens do not exhibit any damage in any of the above-mentioned categories the testing may be terminated.

When damage is noted, determine the compressive strength of the specimens that have been subjected to the freeze-thaw cycles and of those which have been set aside (see **Clause 6**) in accordance with **prEN 772-1**. Conditioning prior to this compressive strength test shall be in accordance with **EN 771-2**.

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8 Evaluation of results

Report any visual damage following the freeze thaw cycling. Calculate the reduction in compressive strength caused by the freeze-thaw cycling of the specimens where some or all were damaged from the untreated specimens set aside (see **6.2**) as follows:

$$R_c = \frac{f_n - f_f}{f_n} \times 100(\%)$$