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## Foreword

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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.

The European publications to be used instead of the International Standards listed in clause 2 are given in normative annex ZA, which is an integral part of this European Standard.

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# Hygrothermal performance of building materials and products — Determination of water vapour transmission properties

## 1 Scope

This standard specifies a method based on cup tests for determining the water vapour permeance of building products and the water vapour permeability of building materials under isothermal conditions. Different sets of test conditions are specified.

The general principles are applicable to all hygroscopic and non-hygroscopic building materials and products, including those with facings and integral skins. Annexes give details of test methods suitable for different material types. If the measured water vapour diffusion-equivalent air layer thickness is greater than 1500 m the material can be considered impermeable.

The results obtained by this method are suitable for design purposes, production control and for inclusion in product specifications.

## 2 Normative references

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

ISO 9346, *Hygrothermal performance of buildings and building materials - Physical quantities for mass transfer - Vocabulary*

## 3 Definitions, symbols and units

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 9346 and the following apply.

#### 3.1.1

##### **density of water vapour flow rate**

mass of water vapour transferred through the specimen per area and per time

#### 3.1.2

##### **homogeneous material**

material with properties likely to affect the transmission of water vapour which do not vary on a macroscopic scale

#### 3.1.3

##### **water vapour permeance**

density of water vapour flow rate divided by the water vapour pressure difference between the two specimen faces

#### 3.1.4

##### **water vapour resistance**

reciprocal of water vapour permeance

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## 3.1.5

**water vapour permeability**

product of the water vapour permeance and the thickness of a homogeneous specimen

NOTE Water vapour permeability can only be calculated for specimens of a homogeneous material.

## 3.1.6

**water vapour resistance factor**

water vapour permeability of air divided by that of the material concerned

NOTE The water vapour resistance factor indicates how much greater the resistance of the material is compared to an equally thick layer of stationary air at the same temperature.

## 3.1.7

**water vapour diffusion-equivalent air layer thickness**

thickness of a motionless air layer which has the same water vapour resistance as the specimen

## 3.2 Symbols and units

Symbol	Quantity	Unit
$A$	area of specimen	$m^2$
$G$	water vapour flow rate through specimen	kg/s
$R_v$	gas constant for water vapour = 462	$N \cdot m / (kg \cdot K)$
$S$	hydraulic diameter of specimen	m
$T$	thermodynamic temperature	K
$W_p$	water vapour permeance with respect to partial vapour pressure	$kg / (m^2 \cdot s \cdot Pa)$
$Z_p$	water vapour resistance with respect to partial vapour pressure	$m^2 \cdot s \cdot Pa / kg$
$D$	mean thickness of specimen	m
$g$	density of water vapour flow rate	$kg / (m^2 \cdot s)$
$l$	diameter of circle or side of square specimen	m
$m$	mass of specimen and cup assembly	kg
$p$	barometric pressure	hPa
$p_0$	standard barometric pressure = 1013,25	hPa
$\delta$	water vapour diffusion-equivalent air layer thickness	m
$t$	Time	s
$\Delta p_v$	water vapour pressure difference across specimen	Pa
$\delta_p$	water vapour permeability	$kg / (m \cdot s \cdot Pa)$
$\delta_a$	water vapour permeability of air	$kg / (m \cdot s \cdot Pa)$
$\mu$	water vapour resistance factor	-
$\theta$	celsius temperature	$^{\circ}C$
$\varphi$	relative humidity	-

NOTE The above units comply with ISO 9346; a conversion table to other units commonly used in permeability measurements is given in annex J.

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