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Test with specimen supported at two points (four-point bending)

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EN ISO 1288 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Glass in building — Determination of the bending strength of glass*:

- *Part 1: Fundamentals of testing glass*
- *Part 2: Coaxial double ring test on flat specimens with large test surface areas*
- *Part 3: Test with specimen supported at two points (four point bending)*
- *Part 4: Testing of channel shaped glass*
- *Part 5: Coaxial double ring test on flat specimens with small test surface areas*

This Standard has been based on EN 1288-3 *Glass in building - Determination of the bending strength of glass" - Part 3 : Test with specimen supported at two points (four point bending)* prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 129 "Glass in building"/WG8 "Mechanical Strength".

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A paragraph.

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Glazing in building — Determination of the bending strength of glass —

Part 3:

Test with specimen supported at two points (four-point bending)

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determining the bending strength, including the effects of the edges, of flat glass for use in building. The method specified can also be used to determine the bending strength of the edges of glass separately.

The limitations of this part of this International Standard are described in EN ISO 1288-1.

EN ISO 1288-1 should be read in conjunction with this part of this International Standard.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of EN ISO 1288. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of EN ISO 1288 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 48, *Rubber, vulcanised or thermoplastic—Determination of hardness (hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD)*

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EN ISO 1288-1, *Glass in building—Determination of the bending strength of glass—Part 1 : Fundamentals of testing glass*

EN 572-1, *Glass in building—Basic soda lime silicate glass products—Part 1 : Definitions and general physical and mechanical properties*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of EN ISO 1288, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

bending stress

the tensile bending stress induced in the surface of a specimen

NOTE For testing purposes, the bending stress should be uniform over a specified part of the surface.

3.2

effective bending stress

a weighted average of the tensile bending stresses, calculated by applying a factor to take into account non-uniformity of the stress field

3.3

bending strength

the bending stress or effective bending stress which leads to breakage of the specimen

3.4

equivalent bending strength

the apparent bending strength of patterned glass, for which the irregularities in the thickness do not allow precise calculation of the bending stress

4 Symbols (and abbreviated terms)

B	Specimen width	m
E	Modulus of elasticity (Young's modulus) of the specimen	Pa
	NOTE for soda lime silicate glass (see EN 572-1) a value of 70 GPa is used.	
F_{\max}	Maximum force	N
	NOTE Where the bending rollers are not firmly attached to the testing machine, but are laid on the specimen, the force resulting from their weight is added to the maximum measured force.	
g	Acceleration due to gravity	m/s ²
h	Specimen thickness	m
k	Dimensionless factor (see 6.2 of EN ISO 1288-1 for explanation)	
L	Specimen length	m
L_s	Distance between the centre lines of the supporting rollers	m
L_b	Distance between the centre lines of the bending rollers	m
M_b	Bending moment	Nm
y	Central deflection of the specimen relative to the supporting rollers	m
Z	Section modulus	m ³
σ_b	Bending stress in the surface area defined by the bending rollers	Pa
σ_{beff}	Effective bending stress	Pa
σ_{bB}	Bending strength	Pa
σ_{bG}	Bending stress imposed by the self-weight of the specimen	Pa
ρ	Density of the specimen	kg/m ³

5 Apparatus**5.1 Testing machine**

The bending test shall be carried out using a suitable bending testing machine, which shall incorporate the following features:

- The stressing of the specimen shall be capable of being applied from zero up to a maximum value in a manner which minimizes shock and is stepless;

- b) The stressing device shall be capable of the specified rate of stressing;
- c) The testing machine shall incorporate a load measuring device with a limit of error of $\pm 2,0$ % within the measuring range;
- d) The supporting rollers and the bending rollers (see figure 2) shall have a diameter of 50 mm and a length of not less than 365 mm. All the rollers shall be free to rotate.

5.2 Measuring instruments

The following measuring instruments are required:

- a measuring instrument enabling the width of the specimen to be measured to the nearest 1 mm;
- a measuring instrument allowing the thickness of the specimen to be measured to the nearest 0,01 mm.

6 Sample

6.1 Number of specimens

The number of specimens to be tested shall be determined depending on the confidence limits required, especially with regard to estimating the extremes of the strength distribution (see EN ISO 1288-1 for a discussion of numbers of specimens).

6.2 Specimen dimensions

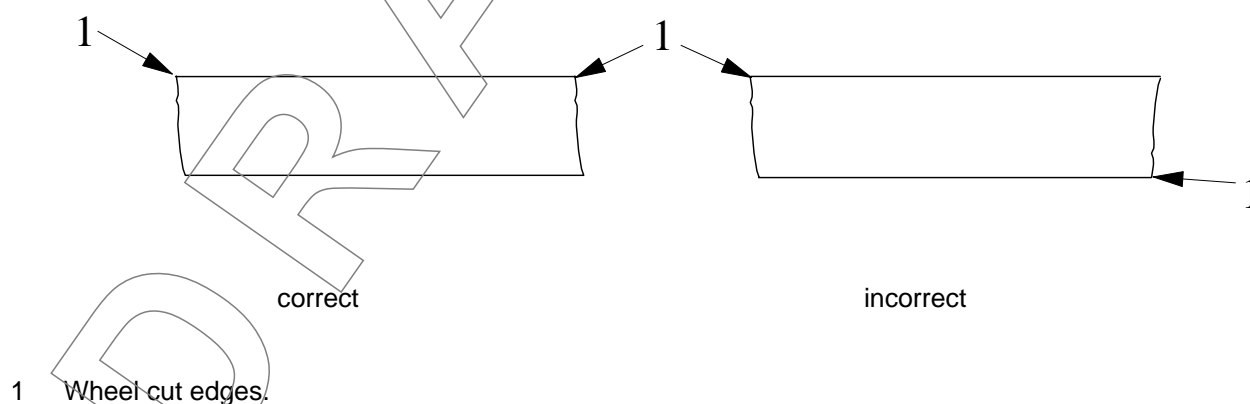
Specimen length L : 1100 mm \pm 5 mm

Specimen width B : 360 mm \pm 5 mm

Specimen thickness h : thickness of the glass within the tolerance specified for the condition as supplied for test.

6.3 Specimen condition and treatment

The specimens shall be flat and their edges shall be representative of the edge finish to be tested. If the edge is asymmetrical with respect to the neutral axis of the specimen, both stressed edges shall be in the same orientation (see figure 1) and all specimens in a sample shall be tested the same way up.



1 Wheel cut edges.

NOTE The edges of cut glass are not the same on both corners, because wheel cut edges have the wheel applied to only one surface of the glass. In this instance the edges are asymmetrical with respect to the neutral axis of the specimen..

Figure 1 — Asymmetrical edges