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**Acetic acid for industrial use — Methods of test —  
Part 6 : Determination of permanganate index**

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# Acetic acid for industrial use — Methods of test — Part 6 : Determination of permanganate index

## 1 Scope and field of application

This part of ISO 753 specifies a method for the determination of the permanganate index of acetic acid for industrial use.

The method is applicable to products having permanganate indexes equal to or greater than 10 mg/100 ml.

This document should be read in conjunction with ISO 753/1 (see the annex).

## 2 Reference

ISO/R 385, *Burettes*.

## 3 Definition

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definition applies.

**permanganate index**: The number of milligrams of potassium permanganate reduced by 100 ml of the laboratory sample under the conditions specified.

## 4 Principle

Reaction of a test portion, under specified conditions, with an excess of potassium permanganate solution in the presence of dilute sulphuric acid. Iodometric titration of the residual potassium permanganate.

## 5 Reagents

During the analysis, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade and only distilled water or water of equivalent purity.

**5.1 Sulphuric acid**, 50 g/l solution.

**5.2 Potassium permanganate**, 1 g/l solution.

**5.3 Potassium iodide**, 100 g/l solution.

**5.4 Sodium thiosulphate**, standard volumetric solution,  $c(\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3) = 0,033 \text{ mol/l}$ .

**5.5 Starch solution**.

Triturate 1,0 g of soluble starch with 5 ml of water and, whilst stirring, pour the mixture into 100 ml of boiling water. Boil for a few minutes and cool.

Discard the solution after 2 weeks.

## 6 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and

**6.1 Two conical flasks**, of capacity 250 ml, of borosilicate glass, provided with ground glass stoppers.

**6.2 Water bath**, capable of being controlled at  $20 \pm 0,5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

**6.3 Burettes**, of capacity 10 ml, complying with the requirements of ISO/R 385, class A.

## 7 Procedure

### 7.1 Test portion

Measure 5,0 ml of the laboratory sample into one of the conical flasks (6.1) containing 50 ml of the sulphuric acid solution (5.1) and mix.

### 7.2 Blank test

Carry out a blank test at the same time as the determination, using the second conical flask (6.1), following the same procedure and using the same quantities of all the reagents [except the sodium thiosulphate solution (5.4)] as used for the determination, but omitting the test portion.

### 7.3 Determination

Immerse the flask containing the test portion (7.1) in the water bath (6.2), controlled at  $20 \pm 0,5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , and add the potassium permanganate solution (5.2) from one of the burettes (6.3) until a permanent red colour is established. Then add a further 10 ml of the potassium permanganate solution and note the total volume used of this solution.

Leave in the dark for 40 min in the water bath (6.2) controlled at  $20 \pm 0,5$  °C.

NOTE — The reaction time generally accepted is 40 min, but it can be modified by agreement between the interested parties. In this case, the reaction time adopted should be stated in the test report.

Determine the excess of potassium permanganate iodometrically by adding 10 ml of the potassium iodide solution (5.3) and titrating the liberated iodine with the sodium thiosulphate solution (5.4) from one of the burettes (6.3) until the solution becomes pale yellow. Add 0,5 ml of the starch solution (5.5) and continue the titration until the blue colour is discharged.

## 8 Expression of results

The permanganate index is given by the formula

$$1,07 \times (V_0 - V_1) \times \frac{100}{5}$$
$$= 21,4 (V_0 - V_1)$$

where

$V_0$  is the volume, in millilitres, of the sodium thiosulphate solution (5.4) used for the blank test;

$V_1$  is the volume, in millilitres, of the sodium thiosulphate solution (5.4) used for the determination;

1,07 is the mass, in milligrams, of potassium permanganate corresponding to 1 ml of sodium thiosulphate solution,  $c(\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3) = 0,033$  mol/l.

NOTE — If the concentration of the standard volumetric solution used is not exactly as specified in the list of reagents, an appropriate correction should be made.

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## ISO publications relating to acetic acid for industrial use

ISO 753/1 — General.

ISO 753/2 — Determination of acetic acid content — Titrimetric method.

ISO 753/3 — Determination of low formic acid contents — Gravimetric method.

ISO 753/4 — Determination of acetaldehyde monomer content — Titrimetric method.

ISO 753/5 — Determination of total acetaldehyde content — Titrimetric method.

ISO 753/6 — Determination of permanganate index.

ISO 753/7 — Determination of dichromate index.

ISO 753/8 — Visual limit test for inorganic chlorides.

ISO 753/9 — Visual limit test for inorganic sulphates.

ISO 753/10 — Visual limit test for heavy metals (including iron).

ISO 753/11 — Determination of iron content — 1,10-Phenanthroline photometric method.