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Introduction

European Standard EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 provides core rules for all construction products and services.

It provides a structure to ensure that all Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) of construction products, construction services and construction processes are derived, verified and presented in a harmonised way.

This European Standard provides additional rules for Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) specifically for concrete and concrete elements. It complements the core rules for all construction products and services as established in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013.

An EPD communicates verifiable, accurate, non-misleading environmental information for products and their applications, thereby supporting scientifically based, fair choices and stimulating the potential for market-driven continuous environmental improvement.

The standardisation process has taken place in accordance with ISO 14025. All common issues are covered horizontally for all product types in order to minimize vertical (branch specific) deviations. All common issues are covered horizontally for all concrete and concrete elements in order to minimize intra-sectorial deviations.

EPD information is expressed in information modules as defined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, which allow easy organisation and expression of data packages throughout the life cycle of concrete and concrete elements. The approach requires that the underlying data should be consistent, reproducible and comparable.

In line with EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 the EPD is expressed in a form that allows aggregation (addition) to provide complete information for buildings. This standard does not deal with aggregation at the building level nor does this standard describe the rules for applying EPD in a building assessment.

The standard deals with a limited number of quantifiable parameters as predefined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013. Future revisions of EN 15804 may lead to the incorporation in this standard of additional predetermined parameters. This European Standard provides the means for developing a Type III environmental declaration of concrete and concrete elements in the context of the suite of standards that are intended to assess the sustainability of construction works.

This suite of standards includes:

- EN 15643-1, *Sustainability of construction works — Sustainability assessment of buildings — Part 1: General framework*
- EN 15643-2, *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of buildings — Part 2: Framework for the assessment of environmental performance*
- EN 15978, *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of environmental performance of buildings — Calculation methods*
- EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declaration — Core rules for the product category of construction products*
- CEN/TR 15941, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Methodology for selection and use of generic data*
- EN 15942, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Communication format - business to business*

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To be added the guidance document established by CEN/TC 350 on how to write PCR (WI00350020)

1 Scope

This European Standard complements the core rules for the product category of construction products as defined in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 and is intended to be used in conjunction with that standard.

This European Standard applies to concrete and concrete elements for building and civil engineering.

This document defines the parameters to be reported, what EPD types (and life cycle stages) to be covered, what rules to be followed in order to generate Life Cycle Inventories (LCI) and conduct Life Cycle Impact Assessment (LCIA) and the data quality to be used in the development of EPDs.

In addition to the common parts of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, this European Standard for concrete and concrete elements:

- defines the system boundaries;
- defines the modelling and assessment of material-specific characteristics;
- defines allocation procedures for multi-output processes along the production chain;
- defines allocation procedures for reuse and recycling;
- includes the rules for calculating the LCI and the LCIA underlying the EPD;
- provides guidance/specific rules for the determination of the reference service life (RSL);
- gives guidance on the establishment of default scenarios;
- gives guidance on default functional units for concrete elements.

This document is intended to be used either for cradle to gate, cradle to gate with options or cradle to grave assessment, provided the intentions are properly stated in the system boundary description.

Within the construction works context, a cradle to grave declaration delivers a more comprehensive understanding of the environmental impact associated with concrete and concrete elements.

2 Normative references

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

EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, *Sustainability of construction works - Environmental product declarations - Core rules for the product category of construction products*

EN 15978, *Sustainability of construction works - Assessment of environmental performance of buildings - Calculation method*

EN 15942, *Sustainability of construction works - Environmental product declarations - Communication format business-to-business*

EN 206, *Concrete - Specification, performance, production and conformity*

EN 1992-1-1, *Eurocode 2: Design of concrete structures - Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings*

EN 1992-1-2, *Eurocode 2: Design of concrete structures - Part 1-2: General rules - Structural fire design*

EN 1992-2, *Eurocode 2 - Design of concrete structures - Concrete bridges - Design and detailing rules*

EN 13369, *Common rules for precast concrete products*

EN 13670, *Execution of concrete structures*

ISO 21930, *Sustainability in building construction — Environmental declaration of building products*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 and the following apply.

3.1

environmental product declaration (EPD)

fr: Déclaration environnementale de produit

de: Umweltdeklaration

environmental declaration providing quantified environmental data using predetermined parameters and, where relevant, additional environmental information

[SOURCE: Definition from ISO 21930]

3.2

concrete

fr: béton

de: Beton

material formed by mixing cement, coarse and fine aggregate and water, with or without the incorporation of admixtures, additions or fibres, which develops its properties by hydration

[SOURCE: Definition from EN 206]

3.3

concrete element

fr: élément en béton

de: Betonelement

for the purpose of this standard, a concrete element is any part of a construction work made of concrete, either precast or cast on site or a combination of both

3.4

precast (concrete) element

fr: élément préfabriqué (en béton)

de: vorgefertigtes Betonerzeugnis

concrete element cast and cured in a place other than the final destination of use (factory produced or site manufactured)

[SOURCE: Definition from EN 206]

prEN 16757:2016 (E)**3.5****precast (concrete) product**

fr: produit préfabriqué (en béton)

de: Fertigteil (aus Beton)

product made of concrete and manufactured in accordance with EN 13369 or a specific product standard in a place different from the final destination of use, protected from adverse weather conditions during production. The product is the result of an industrial process under a factory production control system and with the possibility of sorting before delivery

[SOURCE: Definition from EN 13369]

3.6**ready-mixed concrete**

fr: béton prêt à l'emploi

de: Transportbeton

concrete delivered in a fresh state by a person or body who is not the user. Ready-mixed concrete in the sense of this standard is also:

- concrete produced off site by the user;
- concrete produced on site, but not by the user.

3.7**site-mixed concrete**

fr: béton de chantier

de: Baustellenbeton

concrete produced on the construction site by the user of the concrete for his own use

3.8**addition**

fr: addition

de: Betonzusatzstoff

finely-divided-inorganic constituent used in concrete in order to improve certain properties or to achieve special properties

[SOURCE: EN 206]

3.9**admixture**

fr: adjuvant

de: Betonzusatzmittel

constituent added during the mixing process in small quantities related to the mass of cement to modify the properties of fresh or hardened concrete

3.10**aggregate**

fr: granulat

de: Gesteinskörnung

natural, artificial, reclaimed or recycled granular mineral constituent suitable for use in concrete

3.11**cement**

fr: ciment

de: Zement

a finely ground inorganic material which, when mixed with water, forms a paste that sets and hardens by means of hydration reactions and processes and which, after hardening, retains its strength and stability even under water

[SOURCE: adopted from EN 197-1]

3.12**clinker**

clinker is the main constituent of most cement. Clinker is made by heating at high temperature a homogeneous mixture of raw materials (mostly limestone and clay)

3.13**polymer fibres**

fr: fibres polymères

de: Polymerfasern

straight or deformed pieces of extruded, orientated and cut material, which are suitable to be homogeneously mixed into concrete

[SOURCE: EN 14889-2]

3.14**steel fibres**

fr: fibres d'acier

de: Stahlfasern

straight or deformed pieces of cold-drawn steel wire, straight or deformed cut sheet fibres, melt extracted fibres, shaved cold drawn wire fibres or fibres milled from steel blocks, which are suitable to be homogeneously mixed into concrete

[SOURCE: adapted from EN 14889-1]

3.15**reinforcement steel**

both prestressing steel (wire, strand or bars) subjected to pre- or post-tensioning, and steel (bars, wire, strand, welded mesh or fabric, lattice girder) not subjected to pre- or post-tensioning

3.16**cubic metre of concrete**

fr: mètre cube de béton

de: Kubikmeter Beton

quantity of fresh concrete which, when compacted in accordance with the procedure given in EN 12350-6, occupies a volume of one cubic metre

3.17**truck mixer**

fr: camion malaxeur

de: Fahrnischer

concrete mixer mounted on a self-propelled chassis capable of mixing and delivering homogeneous concrete

prEN 16757:2016 (E)**3.18****falsework**

fr: étiayement

de: Lehrgerüst

temporary support for a part of a structure while it is not self-supporting and for associated service load

3.19**formwork**

fr: coffrage

de: Schalung

structure, permanent or temporary, for containing poured concrete, moulding it to the required dimensions and supporting it until it is able to support itself

3.20**carbonation**

fr: carbonatation

de: Carbonatisierung

carbonation is a chemical reaction, a natural process by which carbon dioxide in the ambient air penetrates and reacts with hydration products

3.21**estimated service life**

fr: durée de vie estimée

de: voraussichtliche Nutzungsdauer

service life that a building or an assembled system (part of works) would be expected to have in a set of specific in-use conditions, determined from reference service life data after taking into account any differences from the reference in use conditions

[SOURCE: EN 15978]

4 Abbreviations

In additions to the abbreviations of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, the following abbreviations are used:

DU Declared Unit

FU Functional Unit

GGBS Ground Granulated Blastfurnace Slag

PFA Pulverized Fuel Ash

5 General aspects**5.1 Objective of this PCR**

The objective of this PCR is to provide common rules specific for concrete and concrete elements for the application of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013, for building and civil engineering works.

In addition to the objectives of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 this document aims to:

- define the parameters to be declared and the way in which they are collated and reported;
- describe which stages of a product's life cycle are considered in the EPD and which processes are to be included in the life cycle stages;

- define rules for the development of scenarios, including the rules for calculating the Life Cycle Inventory and the Life Cycle Impact Assessment underlying the EPD, including the specification of the data quality to be applied;
- communicate EPDs and environmental information about concrete and concrete elements;
- ensure that comparisons between construction products are carried out in the context of their use in the building on the basis of the functional unit.

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5.2 Types of EPD with respect to life cycle stages covered

EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 shall apply.

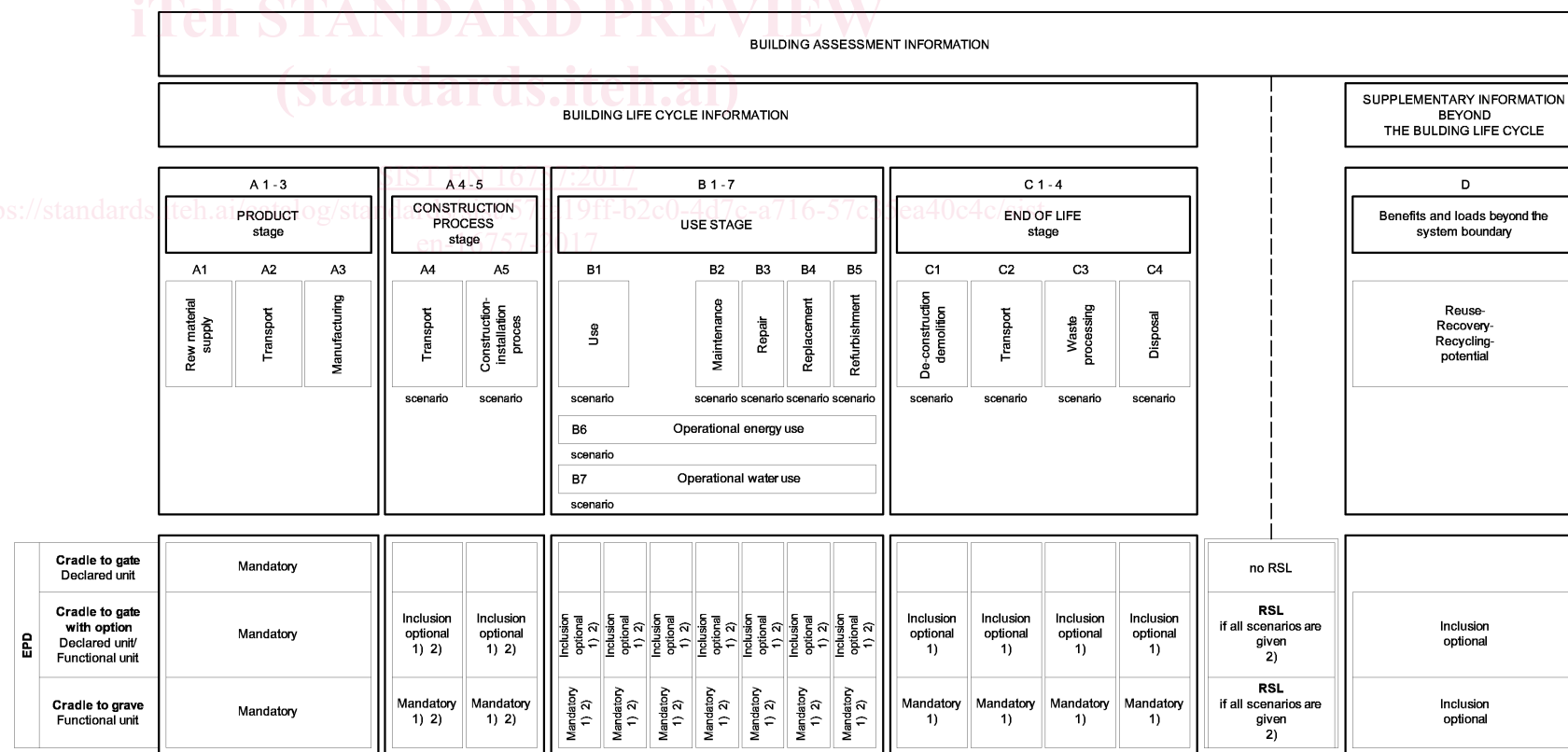


Figure 1 — Types of EPD with respect to life cycle stages covered

5.3 Comparability of EPD for construction products

In addition to the text in EN 15804:2012+A1:2013:

Comparison of the environmental performance of construction products using the EPD information shall only be based on the product's use in, and its impacts on, the whole building or civil engineering work, and shall take into account the complete life cycle (all information modules).

5.4 Additional information

EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 shall apply.

5.5 Ownership, responsibility and liability for the EPD

EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 shall apply.

5.6 Communication formats

EN 15804:2012+A1:2013 shall apply.

6 Product Category Rules for LCA

6.1 Product category

The product category referred to in this standard includes all concrete and concrete elements for building and civil engineering works.

6.2 Life cycle stages and their information modules to be included

6.2.1 General

In addition to the text of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013.

As all life cycle stages (from A1 to C4) shall be included when assessing a construction work (building or civil engineering), it is recommended that EPDs prepared cover the same life cycle, i.e. cradle to grave.

A general description of the life cycle stages is given in Figure 1.

6.2.2 A1-A3, Product stage, information modules

In addition to the text of EN 15804:2012+A1:2013.

NOTE Concrete and concrete elements may contain the following constituents or products (not exhaustive list):

- aggregates;
- cement;
- water;
- admixtures;
- additions;
- fibres;
- reinforcing steel (for precast concrete elements).