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Partie 2: Résines de poly(chlorure de vinyle)

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Foreword

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International Standard ISO 1628-2 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 61, *Plastics*.

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ISO 1628 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Plastics — Determination of viscosity number and limiting viscosity number*¹⁾:

- *Part 1: General conditions*
- *Part 2: Poly(vinyl chloride) resins*
- *Part 3: Polyethylenes and polypropylenes*
- *Part 4: Polycarbonate (PC) moulding and extrusion materials*
- *Part 5: Poly(alkylene terephthalates)*
- *Part 6: Methyl methacrylate polymers*

¹⁾ The general title of ISO 1628-1 is *Guidelines for the standardization of methods for the determination of viscosity number and limiting viscosity number of polymers in dilute solution*.

Plastics — Determination of viscosity number and limiting viscosity number —

Part 2 : Poly(vinyl chloride) resins

1 Scope and field of application

This part of ISO 1628 defines particular conditions for the determination of the viscosity number of PVC resins. It applies to homopolymers of vinyl chloride and copolymers in which the main constituent is vinyl chloride. Limiting viscosity number is not applied to PVC resins.

2 References

ISO 1628-1, *Plastics — Guidelines for the standardization of methods for the determination of viscosity number and limiting viscosity number of polymers in dilute solution — Part 1: General conditions.*

ISO 3105, *Glass capillary kinematic viscometers — Specification and operating instructions.*

3 Definitions and units

Definitions and units are described in ISO 1628-1, clause 3 and, in particular, sub-clause 3.2.3 for the viscosity number.

4 Measurements

The efflux times of the solvent and solution are measured by means of a capillary tube viscometer. Measurements are described in ISO 1628-1, clause 4.

When the viscometer meets the capillary diameter specifications of sub-clause 5.1, the kinetic energy correction may be neglected.

5 Apparatus

5.1 Viscometer, suspended level Ubbelohde type, with a capillary diameter of 0,58 or 0,73 mm ($\pm 2\%$). Other dimensions of the viscometer are given in ISO 1628-1, sub-clause 5.1.

NOTES

1 Consideration of the kinematic viscosity of the solvent (6.1) and of table 1 of ISO 1628-1 lead to the choice of a viscometer with a capillary

diameter of 0,73 mm. However, capillaries of 0,58 mm are equally acceptable, as tests have shown that this range of capillaries does not significantly influence the viscosity number of PVC.

2 Another viscometer listed in ISO 3105 may be used provided that it gives results equivalent to those of the specified viscometer, which shall be used for reference. If the viscometer used gives efflux times shorter than those of the reference viscometer, it should be calibrated by comparison with the results obtained with the reference viscometer, in order to take into account the correction for kinetic energy. (See annex B of ISO 1628-1.)

5.2 Dilution flask, either a 50 ml graduated flask (one-mark volumetric flask), or a 150 ml flat-bottomed flask and 50 ml pipette for solution preparation (see 6.4).

5.3 Filter funnel, with fritted glass filter disc of medium porosity (pore size 40 to 50 μm).

5.4 Mechanical agitator, equipped with a heating device to keep the flask (5.2) and its contents at a temperature between 80 and 85 °C. As an alternative, a rotary agitator or shaker may be placed in an oven at a temperature between 80 and 85 °C.

5.5 Other apparatus

Analytical balance, accurate to 0,1 mg.

Other necessary apparatus is described in ISO 1628-1, clause 5: viscometer holders (5.2), thermostated bath (5.3) but with a tolerance of $\pm 0,1$ °C, temperature measuring device (5.4) with 0,05 °C sensitivity, and timing device (5.5).

6 Solvent and solution

6.1 Solvent

Cyclohexanone, distilled less than two weeks before use and having a kinematic viscosity between 2,06 and 2,14 mm^2/s at 25 °C. Distill the solvent at atmospheric pressure, collecting only the fraction distilling between 155 and 156 °C. Store the solvent in the dark in a dark-coloured bottle fitted with a ground-glass stopper. Check the kinematic viscosity before use.