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**Adhesives — Wood adhesives for  
non-structural applications —  
Determination of tensile shear  
strength of lap joints**

*Adhésifs — Colles pour bois à usages non structuraux —  
Détermination du pouvoir adhésif des collages longitudinaux par  
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## Introduction

International Standards giving a common classification with respect to durability classes for wood adhesives allow considerable improvement in consumer protection in any future product liability system with regard to properties guaranteed by the adhesive manufacturer.

The methods described in this document are suitable for the following and other applications:

- assessing the usability and quality of adhesives for wood and derived timber products;
- classifying these adhesives into the durability classes D1 to D4 of ISO 19210 (thermoplastic adhesives) and C1 to C4 of EN 12765 (thermosetting adhesives);
- assessing effects on the bond strength resulting from the bonding conditions chosen, the various conditioning sequences and the treatment of the test pieces before and after bonding.

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# Adhesives — Wood adhesives for non-structural applications — Determination of tensile shear strength of lap joints

**SAFETY STATEMENT** — Persons using this document should be familiar with the normal laboratory practice, if applicable. This document does not purport to address all of the safety problems, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user to establish appropriate safety and health practices and to ensure compliance with any regulatory conditions.

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies tests for adhesives for wood and derived timber products for the assessment of their resistance to hot and cold water. It can be used for the assessment of the strength of bonds with a thin bond line. It does not apply to adhesives for structural use or to the manufacture of particleboards, fibreboards and plywood. It does not replace tests on finished products.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 5893, *Rubber and plastics test equipment — Tensile, flexural and compression types (constant rate of traverse) — Specification*

ISO 19209, *Adhesives — Classification of thermoplastic wood adhesives for non-structural applications*

EN 923, *Adhesives — Terms and definitions*

EN 12765, *Classification of thermosetting wood adhesives for non-structural applications*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 923 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

### 3.1

#### **thin bond line**

close contact adhesive joint where the adhesive layer is nominally 0,1 mm thick

### 3.2

#### **thermoplastic wood adhesive**

adhesive whose main constituent is a thermoplastic resin and which has been formulated for bonding wood

### 3.3

#### **thermoset wood adhesive**

monomer, polymer or copolymer, which when cured, changes into a substantially infusible and insoluble product and which has been formulated for bonding wood

## 4 Principle

A symmetrical bonded single-lap joint between two symmetrical wooden adherends is subjected to specified conditioning treatments and strained to rupture by a tensile force parallel to the grain.

## 5 Safety

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## 6 Apparatus

The testing machine shall be a constant-rate-of-traverse machine as described in ISO 5893. If a constant-rate-of-traverse machine is not available, a constant-rate-of-loading machine shall be used causing a rupture within the time limits specified in 7.5.

The jaws shall grip the test pieces with a wedge action and permit self-alignment while the test pieces are being pulled.

## 7 Procedure

### 7.1 Preparation of bonded assemblies

Prepare two panels (see [Figure 1](#)) from a thick unsteamed, conditioned, straight-grained board of beech (*Fagus sylvatica* L.) with a nominal density of  $(700 \pm 50)$  kg/m<sup>3</sup> with a moisture content of  $(12 \pm 1)$  %. It is permissible to prepare panels from different boards unless it is essential to minimize differences in the wood in order to conduct special comparative tests.

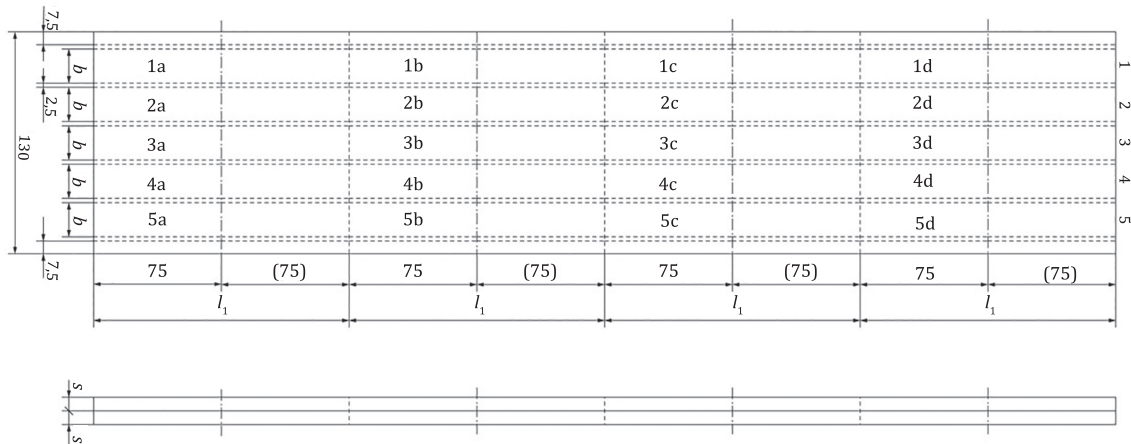
Ensure that the angle between the growth rings and the surface to be bonded is between 30° and 90°.

Cut the panels across the direction of the grain to a length equal to a multiple of 300 mm with the necessary allowance for cross-cutting and along the grain to a width of approximately 130 mm making an allowance for the width of cut as shown in [Figure 1](#).

For tests, use two panels of  $(5,0 \pm 0,1)$  mm thickness.



Dimensions in millimetres

**Key**

- $l_1$  length of test piece:  $(150 \pm 5)$  mm
- $b$  width of test piece:  $(20,0 \pm 0,2)$  mm
- $s$  thickness of the panels:  $(5,0 \pm 0,1)$  mm

**Figure 1 — Example of a bonded panel marked for division into individual test pieces using 2,5 mm saw cuts**

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For conventional tests, condition the panels at a temperature of either  $(20 \pm 2)$  °C and  $(65 \pm 5)$  % relative humidity or  $(23 \pm 2)$  °C and  $(50 \pm 5)$  % relative humidity subsequently referred to as the standard atmosphere (20/65) or (23/50) for a minimum of 7 days.

Prepare bonded assemblies using thin (approximately 0,1 mm) bond lines. Not more than 24 h before bonding, either lightly plane or lightly sand each surface to be bonded (using an abrasive paper of grain size P100 complying with ISO 6344-2 is recommended). Remove any dust carefully. Do not touch or soil the prepared surfaces.

Comply with the adhesive manufacturer's instructions regarding the processing conditions, including the preparation of the adhesive, the amount of adhesive to be applied, whether the adhesive is to be applied on one or both surfaces, the open and closed assembly time and the magnitude and duration of the assembly pressure and report them in the test report.

Where no manufacturer's instructions are available, the following processing conditions shall be used:

- adhesive applied on both sides;
- adhesive spread:  $(150 \pm 10)$  g/m<sup>2</sup>;
- open assembly time:  $(120 \pm 10)$  s;
- closed assembly time  $(180 \pm 10)$  s;
- pressing pressure  $(0,7 \pm 0,1)$  N/mm<sup>2</sup>;
- pressing time: 2 h.

Bond the two 5 mm thick panels as shown in [Figure 1](#) with the pressure uniformly distributed over the bonded surface.

## 7.2 Preparation of test pieces

After pressing, condition the assembly for 7 days in standard atmosphere.