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Admixtures for concrete

1 Scope

This document specifies definitions and requirements for admixtures for use in concrete in accordance with ISO 22965.

This document does not specify provisions governing the practical application of admixtures in the production of concrete, i.e. requirements concerning composition, mixing, placing, curing, etc. of concrete containing admixtures.

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 680, Cement — Test methods — Chemical analysis

ISO 758, Liquid chemical products for industrial use — Determination of density at 20 °C

ISO 1158, Plastics — Vinyl chloride homopolymers and copolymers — Determination of chlorine content

ISO 1920-2, Testing of concrete — Part 2: Properties of fresh concrete

ISO 1920-4, Testing of concrete — Part 4: Strength of hardened concrete

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ISO 4316, Surface active agents — Determination of pH of aqueous solutions — Potentiometric method

ISO 12439, Mixing water for concrete

ISO 22965-1, Concrete — Part 1: Methods of specifying and guidance for the specifier

ISO 22965-2, Concrete — Part 2: Specification of constituent materials, production of concrete and compliance of concrete

BS 8443, Specification for establishing the suitability of special purpose concrete admixtures

EN 480-1, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 1: Reference concrete and reference mortar for testing

EN 480-2, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 2: Determination of setting time

EN 480-4, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 4: Determination of bleeding of concrete

EN 480-5, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 5: Determination of capillary absorption

EN 480-6, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 6: Infrared analysis

EN 480-8, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 8: Determination of the conventional dry material content

EN 480-10, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 10: Determination of water soluble chloride content

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EN 480-11, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 11: Determination of air void characteristics in hardened concrete

EN 480-12, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 12: Determination of the alkali content of admixtures

EN 480-14, Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout — Test methods — Part 14: Determination of the effect on corrosion susceptibility of reinforcing steel by potentiostatic electro-chemical test

Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions 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

General definitions 3.1

3.1.1

performance

ability of an admixture to be effective in its intended use without detrimental effects

3.1.2

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compliance dosage

dosage of an admixture, expressed in % by mass of cement or binder, stated by the manufacturer which will meet the requirements of this document

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Note 1 to entry: The compliance dosage is within the recommended range of dosage of dosage and the recommended range of dosage of dosage

3.1.3

recommended range of dosage

dosages between limits expressed in % by mass of cement or binder which the manufacturer recommends for the product based on experience on site

Note 1 to entry: The use of the recommended dosage does not imply that compliance with this document will be met over the whole range. Trial tests should be carried out with the materials to be used on site to find the dosage necessary to achieve the required result.

3.1.4

maximum recommended dosage

upper limit of the recommended range of dosage

3.1.5

reference concrete and mortar

concrete and mortar as specified in Annex B for testing admixtures for conformity with this document

3.1.6

multifunction admixture

admixture which affects several properties of fresh and/or hardened concrete by performing more than one of the main functions defined in 3.2.2 to 3.2.9

3.1.7

primary function

single function of a multifunction admixture designated by the manufacturer

secondary function

function of a multifunction admixture which is additional to the primary function

3.1.9

binder

cement or combinations of cement and additions of type II

Specific definitions 3.2

3.2.1

admixtures for concrete

material added during the mixing process of concrete in a quantity not more than 5 % by mass of the cement content of the concrete, to modify the properties of the mix in the fresh and/or hardened state

3.2.2

water reducing/plasticizing admixture

admixture which without affecting the consistence, permits a reduction in the water content of a given concrete mix, or which, without affecting the water content increases the workability/consistency or produces both effects simultaneously

high range water reducing/super plasticizing admixture

admixture which, without affecting the consistence, permits a high reduction in the water content of a given concrete mix, or which, without affecting the water content increases the workability/consistency considerably, or produces both effects simultaneously

3.2.4

water retaining admixture

admixture which reduces the loss of water by a reduction of bleeding

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air entraining admixture

admixture which allows a controlled quantity of small, uniformly distributed air bubbles to be incorporated during mixing which remain after hardening 6:32-92f3-458e-9f64-

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set accelerating admixture

admixture which decreases the time to commencement of transition of the mix from the plastic to the rigid state

3.2.7

hardening accelerating admixture

admixture which increases the rate of development of early strength in the concrete, with or without affecting the setting time

set retarding admixture

admixture which extends the time to commencement of transition of the mix from the plastic to the rigid state

3.2.9

water resisting admixture

waterproof admixture

admixture which reduces the capillary absorption of hardened concrete

set retarding/water reducing/plasticizing admixture

admixture which produces the combined effects of a water reducing/plasticizing admixture (primary function) and a set retarding admixture (secondary function)

3.2.11

set retarding/high range water reducing/superplasticizing admixture

admixture which produces the combined effects of a high range water reducing/superplasticizing admixture (primary function) and a set retarding admixture (secondary function)

3.2.12

set accelerating/water reducing/plasticizing admixture

admixture which produces the combined effects of a water reducing/plasticizing admixture (primary function) and a set accelerating admixture (secondary function)

3.2.13

slump and air retentions/high range water reducing/air entraining admixture

admixture that enable reduction in the water content, while providing slump and air retentivity, without affecting the consistence

3.2.14

viscosity modifying admixture

admixture incorporated in concrete to limit segregation by improving cohesion

antiwashout admixture

admixture that significantly reduces the washout of cement during underwater placing and hardening of concrete

3.2.16

antifreezing admixture

antifreezing admixture iTeh STANDARD PREVIEW admixture which allows concrete to set and develop compressive strength at temperatures below freezing (standards.iteh.ai)

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4.1 General requirements

The requirements in this document assume that admixtures are uniformly dispersed in concrete; special attention shall be given to the dispersion of powder admixtures with retarding effects.

All admixtures defined in 3.2.2 to 3.2.16 shall conform the general requirements in Table 1, Clause 5 and Clause 6.

Table 1 –	- General	l requirements
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	Property	Test method	Requirements
1	Homogeneity ^a	Visual	Homogeneous when used. Segregation shall not exceed the limit declared by the manufacturer.
2	Coloura	Visual	Uniform and similar to the description declared by the manufacturer. Distinctive (distinguished from water).
3	Effective component ^a	EN 480-6 ^b or equivalent	Infrared spectra to show no significant change with respect to the effective component when compared to the reference spectrum provided by the manufacturer.
4	Absolute density ^a	ISO 758c	$D \pm 0.03 \text{ if } D > 1.10 \text{ kg/l},$
	(for liquid admixtures only)		$D \pm 0.02 \text{ if } D \le 1.10 \text{ kg/l},$
			or within the manufacturer's declared range, where D is manufacturer's declared value of density.
5	Conventional dry material contenta	EN 480-8 ^d or	$0.95T \le X \le 1.05T \text{ if } T \ge 20 \%,$
		equivalent	$0.90T \le X \le 1.10T \text{ if } T < 20 \%,$
			T is manufacturer's declared value % by mass; X is test result % by mass.
6	pH value ^a	ISO 4316	Manufacturer's declared value ±1 or within man-
	(for liquid admixtures only)	JD A DD D	ufacturer's declared range.
7	Total chlorinea, f	150 1158g	Either ≤0,10 % by mass ^e or not above the manufacturer's declared value.
8	Water soluble chloridea	EN 480-10 or	Either ≤0,10 % by mass ^e or not above the manufac-
		ISO 19596:2017	turer's declared value.
9	Alkali content (Na2Qaequivalent) ecata	loEN480d12ior11 500equiyalent96-	Not above the manufacturer's declared maximum value in % by mass.
10	Corrosion behaviour	EN 480-14 or equivalent	See <u>4.4.2</u> .
11	Silicon dioxide SiO ₂ content ^{a, h, i}	ISO 680	Not above the manufacturer's declared maximum value in % by mass.

^a The manufacturer's declared values and characteristics shall be provided in writing to the user upon request.

- d If the method in EN 480-8 is not suitable, the manufacturer shall specify a documented alternative test method.
- e Where the chloride content is ≤0,10 % by mass the admixture may be described as "chloride free".

- $\,^{\rm g}\,$ $\,$ The procedure in ISO 1158 shall be modified as follows:
- Increase the sample size in method B to 0,1 g of dry admixture;
- Use silver nitrate and ammonium thiocyanate solutions at 0,01 N.

4.2 Requirements for specific types of admixtures

The admixtures defined in 3.2.2 to 3.2.16 shall comply with the requirements listed in Table 2.

b If the method in EN 480-6 is not suitable, the manufacturer shall specify a documented alternative test method.

 $^{^{\}rm c}$ ISO 758 is the reference method. Another method may be used provided that it can show essentially the same results as the method in ISO 758.

f If there is no significant difference between the total chlorine and the water soluble chloride content, only the water soluble chloride content should be determined in subsequent tests on the admixture involved.

 $^{^{\}rm h}$ The silicon dioxide content is only required when silica (see <u>A.1</u>) is a constituent intended to exceed 5 % by mass of the admixture.

i This requirement does not apply to natural sand.

Table 2 — Performance requirements for specific types of admixture

Definition	Name of admixture	Performance requirements
3.2.2	Water reducing/plasticizing admixtures	Table 3
3.2.3	High range water reducing/super plasticizing admixtures	Tables 4 and 5
3.2.4	Water retaining admixtures	Table 6
3.2.5	Air entraining admixture	Table 7
<u>3.2.6</u>	Set accelerating admixtures	Table 8
3.2.7	Hardening accelerating admixtures	Table 9
3.2.8	Set retarding admixtures	<u>Table 10</u>
3.2.9	Water resisting admixtures	Table 11
3.2.10	Set retarding/water reducing/plasticizing admixtures	Table 12
3.2.11	Set retarding/high range water reducing/super plasticizing admixtures	<u>Tables 13</u> and <u>14</u>
3.2.12	Set accelerating/water reducing/plasticizing admixtures	<u>Table 15</u>
3.2.13	Slump and air retention/high range water reducing/air entraining admixtures	Table 16
3.2.14	Viscosity modifying admixture	Table 17
3.2.15	Antiwashout admixture	Table 18
3.2.16	Antifreezing admixture	Table 19

Where the manufacturer's declared values are required, these shall be provided in writing on request.

Reference concretes shall comply with Ashax BCWhen testing at equal consistence or equal w/c ratio the requirements and tolerance limits apply.

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Table 3 — Specific requirements for water reducing/plasticizing admixtures (at equal e6consistence) 9596-2017

No.	Property	Reference concrete	Test method	Requirements
1	Water reduction	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-2 slump or flow	In test mix \geq 5 % compared with control mix
2	Compressive strength	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-4	At 7 and 28 days: Test mix ≥ 110 % of control mix
3	Air content in fresh concrete	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-2	Test mix $\leq 2\%$ by volume above control mix unless stated otherwise by the manufacturer
4	Setting time	Annex B mortar	EN 480-2 or equivalent	Initial: test mix ≤ control mix + 90 min Final: test mix ≤ control mix + 360 min

Table 4 — Specific requirements for high range water reducing/super plasticizing admixtures (at equal consistence)

No.	Property	Reference concrete	Test method	Requirements
1	Water reduction	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-2 slump or flow	In test mix \geq 12 % compared with control mix
2	Compressive strength	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-4	At 1 day: Test mix ≥ 140 % of control mix At 28 days: Test mix ≥ 115 % of control mix
3	Air content in fresh concrete	Annex B reference concrete I	ISO 1920-2	Test mix \leq 2 % by volume above control mix unless otherwise stated by the manufacturer

Table 5 — Specific requirements for high range water reducing/super plasticizing admixtures (at equal w/c ratio)^a

No.	Property	Reference concrete	Test method	Requirements
1	Increase in consistence	Annex B reference concrete II	ISO 1920-2 slump or flow	Increase in slump ≥ 120 mm from initial (30 ± 10) mm Increase in flow ≥ 160 mm from initial (350 ± 20) mm
2	Retention of consistence	reference concrete II	1 1/1 1	30 min after the addition the consistence of the test mix shall not fall below the value of the initial consistence of the control mix
3	Compressive strength	Annex B (Standa) reference concrete II	150 1920 4 1 . 21)	At 28 days: test mix ≥90 % of control mix
4	Air content in fresh concret	reference concrete Hg/sta	lfSO(1920²2 .ndards/sist/116e6c32-92f3-45 59/iso-19596-2017	Test mix ≤2 % by volume above control mix unless otherwise stated by the manufacturer

The compliance dosage for admixtures used to meet the requirements of $\frac{\text{Table 5}}{\text{Table 5}}$ does not have to be the same as that used to meet the requirements of $\frac{\text{Table 4}}{\text{Table 4}}$.

Table 6 — Specific requirements for water retaining admixtures (at equal consistence)

No.	Property	Reference concrete	Test method	Requirements
1	Bleeding	Annex B reference concrete III	EN 480-4 or equivalent	Test mix ≤50 % of control mix
2	Compressive strength	Annex B reference concrete III	ISO 1920-4	At 28 days: Test mix ≥80 % of control mix
3	Air content in fresh concrete	Annex B reference concrete III	ISO 1920-2	Test mix ≤2 % by volume above control mix unless stated otherwise by the manufacturer