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# Standard Specification for Laboratory Glass Conical Flasks<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This specification provides standard dimensional requirements for glass conical flasks suitable for general laboratory use.

NOTE 1—For packaging standards, choose the following standards; E920, E921, and E1133.

## 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:<sup>2</sup>

- E438 Specification for Glasses in Laboratory Apparatus
- E671 Specification for Maximum Permissible Thermal Residual Stress in Annealed Glass Laboratory Apparatus
- E675 Specification for Interchangeable Taper-Ground Stopcocks And Stoppers
- E676 Specification for Interchangeable Taper-Ground Joints
- E920 Specification for Commercially Packaged Laboratory Apparatus
- E921 Specification for Export Packaged Laboratory Apparatus
- E1133 Practice for Performance Testing of Packaged Laboratory Apparatus for United States Government Procurements
- E1157 Specification for Sampling and Testing of Reusable Laboratory Glassware

## 3. Classification

3.1 Conical flasks (Erlenmeyer) shall be in in the following types and capacities.

3.1.1 *Type I*—general purpose, with graduated scale.

3.1.1.1 *Class 1*—Narrow mouth with heavy duty beaded top, in capacities of 25 mL, 50 mL, 125 mL, 250 mL, 300 mL, 500 mL, 1000 mL, 1500 mL, 2000 mL, 4000 mL, and 6000 mL.

3.1.1.2 *Class 2*—Wide mouth with heavy duty beaded top, in capacities of 125 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL, 1000 mL, and 2000 mL.

3.1.2 *Type II*—Tapered ground joint, with graduated scale.

3.1.2.1 *Class 1*—Outer Conical, joint without stopper, in capacities of 50 mL, 125 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL, 1000 mL, and 2000 mL.

3.1.2.2 *Class 2*—with stopper, in capacities of 25 mL, 50 mL, 125 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL, and 1000 mL.

3.1.2.3 *Class 3*—For iodine determination, in capacities of 125 mL, 250 mL, and 500 mL.

3.1.3 *Type III*—Screw thread finish, with graduated scale, in capacities of 50 mL, 125 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL, 1000 mL, and 2000 mL.

3.1.4 *Type IV*—Culture;

3.1.4.1 *Class 1*—Long neck, plain top, in capacities of 50 mL, 125 mL, 250 mL, 500 mL, 1000 mL, and 2000 mL.

3.1.4.2 *Class 2*—Wide base (Fernbach), in capacity of 2800 mL.

3.1.4.3 *Class 3*—Wide base, low form, in a capacity of 2500 mL.

NOTE 2—The term milliliter (mL) is commonly used as a special name for the cubic centimeter (cm<sup>3</sup>) and similarly the liter (L) for 1000 cubic centimeters, in accordance with the International System of Units (SI).

## 4. Material and Manufacturing

4.1 Flasks shall be made of borosilicate glass conforming to the requirements of Type I, Class A of Specification E438.

4.2 Maximum residual thermal stress shall be such as to conform to Specification E671.

## 5. Appearance

5.1 The general appearance of the flasks shall be as illustrated in Fig. 1.

## 6. Design

6.1 Conical flasks shall have flat bottoms. However, concavity in the bottom shall be permitted. The flask shall stand vertically without rocking or spinning when placed on a level surface. Bottom heel radius shall be between 15 and 20 % of the maximum external diameter.

6.2 Conical sides of the flask shall extend inwardly for the bottom and shall terminate in a short cylindrical neck.

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<sup>2</sup> For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.