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## European foreword

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**EN 16516:2017/prA1:2019 (E)****1 Modification to the European foreword**

*After the fifth paragraph, add the following sentences:*

"This amendment is a complement to EN 16516. It concerns the measurement of ammonia emissions from construction products."

**2 Modification to Clause 1, "Scope"**

*Replace the first paragraph by:*

"This document specifies a horizontal reference method for the determination of emissions of regulated dangerous substances from construction products into indoor air. This method is applicable to volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile organic compounds, very volatile aldehydes and ammonia. It is based on the use of a test chamber and subsequent analysis of the organic compounds by GC-MS, HPLC, and for ammonia, subsequent analysis by spectrophotometric methods or any equivalent analytical methods (such as ion chromatography and ammonium specific electrode)."

**3 Modification to Clause 2, "Normative references"**

*Add the following document to the list of references:*

"ISO 7150-1, *Water quality - Determination of ammonium - Part 1: Manual spectrometric method*".

**4 Modification to 10.5, "Determination of vapour-phase organic compounds in test chamber air"**

*Add "and ammonia" to the title, to read as follows:*

**"10.5 Determination of vapour-phase organic compounds and ammonia in test chamber air"**.

**5 Modification to 10.6, "Calculation and reporting of test results"**

*After line 10), add a new line*

"11) ammonia concentration."

**6 Addition of new Annex I (normative), "Determination of ammonia in test chamber air"**

*Add the following new Annex I:*

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## Annex I (normative)

### Determination of ammonia in test chamber air

#### I.1 Sampling

Sample the chamber air using impingers containing diluted sulphuric acid (0,05 M). Prepare the sampling solution by mixing 1 l of deionized and purified water with 2,72 ml sulphuric acid (minimum purity 95 % to 97 %). A recommended value is 10 ml of solution per 100 l sampling volume depending on the desired detection limit. Prior to air sampling, make sure that the impinger is at approximately the same temperature as the chamber air to prevent risk of water condensation. An appropriate air sampling flow rate is in the range of 0,2 l/min to 1 l/min. Air samples shall be collected in duplicate simultaneously (or immediately sequentially).

It is recommended to use two impingers in series in case of very high concentrations and overloading of the first impinger. After sampling an amount of 10 ml of the sampling solution is neutralized in a beaker with sodium hydroxide (1 M, 0,5 M, 0,1 M or 0,05 M) to a pH value between 6 and 8. The result shall be corrected for the added amount of sodium hydroxide by using a correction factor (mass of neutralized sample divided by mass of original sample).

Alternatively, sampling can be done on tubes filled with silica gel coated with sulfuric acid. Each tube consists of a front zone with 200 mg coated silica and a control zone of 100 mg coated silica. Such tubes are commercially available.

Prior to air sampling, make sure that the tube is at approximately the same temperature as the chamber air to prevent risk of water condensation inside the sample tube.

An appropriate air sampling flow rate is in the range of 0,2 l/min to 0,4 l/min. Air samples shall be collected in duplicate simultaneously (or immediately sequentially). After sampling take the silica gel out of the sampling tubes and extract with deionized and purified water. The front zone and control zone of the sampling tube are analysed separately for determining overloaded sampling tubes.

Perform a blank test to determine the background concentration of the chamber before each test.

The concentration level in the control zone must be no greater than 10 % of the front zone concentration.

#### I.2 Analysis

##### I.2.1 Spectrophotometric analysis

Analysis of the prepared liquid samples for ammonia shall be carried out according to ISO 7150-1. The results are expressed in mg/m<sup>3</sup> or µg/m<sup>3</sup> by dividing the absolute amount of detected ammonia by the air sampling volume and subtraction of the background concentration.

##### I.2.2 Equivalent analytical methods

An alternative method can be applied if it provides a result that is proven to be equivalent to that given by the above mentioned test method.

NOTE In the "Report for validation testing methods as supplement to EN 16516" developed by CEN/TC 351/WG 2 [42], the test methods as in [43] and [44] have been demonstrated as equivalent.

##### I.2.3 Test chamber conditions

The test chamber conditions shall be used as defined in subclause 7.7 with a relative humidity of (50 ± 5) % and a temperature of (23 ± 1) °C.

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NOTE There is no significant influence of the relative humidity to ammonia emissions in this range.

**I.3 Test report**

The ammonia concentration in the reference room shall be reported according to the rules given in Clause 10."

**7 Modifications to the Bibliography**

Add after [41], the following references:

- [42] NEUHAUS T. et al. *Report for validation of ammonia testing methods as supplement to EN 16516 developed by CEN/TC 351/WG 2, 2017*; available from [www.cen351.org](http://www.cen351.org)
- [43] ADLER R.G. *Ammonia in Workplace Atmospheres – Solid Sorbent, OSHA-SLTC Method No. ID-188, Occupational Safety and Health Administration Technical Center*. Revised, Salt Lake City, UT, 1991

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