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presentation of comparable single-
point data —**

**Part 2:
Long-fibre-reinforced plastics**

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- normative reference IEC 60250 has been cancelled and replaced by IEC 62631-2-1;
- normative reference IEC 60093 has been cancelled and replaced by either IEC 62631-3-1 or ISO 3915.

These changes were made previously for plastics in ISO 10350-1.

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Introduction

This document has been prepared because users of long-fibre-reinforced plastics find that available data cannot always be readily used to compare the properties of similar materials, especially when the data have been supplied by different sources. Even when the same standard tests have been used, they can allow the adoption of a wide range of alternative test conditions, and the data obtained are not necessarily comparable. The purpose of this document is to identify specific methods and conditions of test to be used for the acquisition and presentation of data in order that valid comparisons between materials can be made.

This document is concerned with tests employed to present “single-point” data on the limited range of properties commonly included in data sheets and used for the preliminary selection of materials. Such data represent the most basic approach to the specification of properties of materials and this document thus facilitates the first steps towards more efficient selection and use of plastics in the many applications to which they are suited.

Many properties of long-fibre-reinforced plastics are anisotropic. The test method standards for these properties have been produced with different procedures for specific types of reinforcement. In this document, use of the appropriate procedure is specified rather than the use of a specific specimen geometry as adopted in ISO 10350-1^[1] for moulding materials. This is necessary for the recording of meaningful material property values.

Complementary International Standards (such as ISO 11403-1^[2], ISO 11403-2^[3] and ISO 11403-3^[4]) are concerned with the standardized acquisition and presentation of multipoint data, to demonstrate how properties vary with important factors such as time, temperature and the presence of particular natural and chemical environments. In these International Standards, some additional properties are included. Their use provides a more substantial database than one containing only single-point data, and so enables improved assessment of the fitness of a material for any particular application. In addition, ISO 11403-1, which deals with mechanical properties, assists predictions of the performance of components and ISO 11403-2, covering thermal and processing properties, aids predictions of melt-flow behaviour during manufacturing. ISO 11403-3 is concerned with environmental influences on properties, and other parts may be prepared to cover additional properties. The various parts of ISO 11403 were written primarily for moulding materials. The test methods and test conditions referred to might not therefore be ideally suited to the acquisition of data for all long-fibre-reinforced plastics.

