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Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 11127-4:2011), which has been technically revised. The main changes to the previous edition are as follows:

— Clause 3, Terms and definitions, has been added;

— subclause 4.2, Clause 6 and Appendix A have been updated.

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Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products — Test methods for non-metallic blast-cleaning abrasives —

Part 4:
Assessment of hardness by a glass slide test

1 Scope

This document specifies a method of assessing of whether a non-metallic blast-cleaning abrasive has a minimum hardness of 6 on Mohs' scale.

This document is a part of the ISO 11127 series dealing with the sampling and testing of non-metallic abrasives for blast-cleaning.

The types of non-metallic abrasive and requirements on each are contained in the ISO 11126 series.

The ISO 11126 and ISO 11127 series have been drafted as a coherent set of International Standards on non-metallic blast-cleaning abrasives. Information on all parts of both series is given in Annex A.

NOTE The test described in this document is a pass/fail test and is not a method for the accurate determination of hardness.

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 11127-1, *Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products — Test methods for non-metallic blast-cleaning abrasives — Part 1: Sampling*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

4 Apparatus

4.1 Microscope, having a magnification of × 10.

4.2 Glass microscope slides, manufactured from soda glass with no observable scratches.

NOTE Borosilicate glass slides are unsuitable for this test

5 Sampling

Take a representative sample of the product to be tested, as described in ISO 11127-1.

6 Procedure

6.1 Examine 5 g of the material under the microscope (4.1) and, if grains of different colours or diameter are present, select a 5 grains to 10 grains of each.

6.2 Place the selected grains between two glass microscope slides (4.2) and, while applying pressure between thumb and fingers, slowly move one slide over the other with a reciprocating motion for 10 s. Examine the glass surfaces and, if scratched, the material shall be considered as having a minimum hardness of 6 on Mohs' scale.

7 Test report

The test report shall contain at least the following information:

a) all details necessary to identify the product tested, in accordance with the appropriate part of ISO 11126 (see Annex A), if applicable;

b) a reference to this document (i.e. ISO 11127-4:2020);

c) the result of the test;

d) any deviation from the test method specified;

e) any unusual features observed;

f) the date of the test;

g) the name of the person who carried out the test.