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pigments —**

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Determination of water-soluble
nitrates (Salicylic acid method)**

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the normative references have been updated;
- the document has been editorially revised.

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General methods of test for pigments —

Part 19:

Determination of water-soluble nitrates (Salicylic acid method)

1 Scope

This document specifies a general method of test for determining the water-soluble nitrates in a sample of pigments by a spectrophotometric method using salicylic acid.

ISO 787-13 specifies a method for determining the water-soluble nitrates in a sample of pigments using Nessler's method.

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 648, *Laboratory glassware — Single-volume pipettes*

ISO 835, *Laboratory glassware — Graduated pipettes*

ISO 1042, *Laboratory glassware — One-mark volumetric flasks*

ISO 15528, *Paints, varnishes and raw materials for paints and varnishes — Sampling*

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3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Principle

The nitrate present in the extract of the pigment sample is used to nitrate salicylic acid in sulphuric acid medium. The nitro-compound formed is of an intensive yellow colour in alkaline solution and the colour is measured spectrometrically at a wavelength of 410 nm.

5 Reagents

All reagents used shall be of recognized analytical reagent quality. Distilled water, or water of equivalent purity, shall be used.

5.1 Sulphuric acid, $\rho = 1,84$ g/ml.

5.2 Sulphuric acid, 5 N.

5.3 Ethanol, a volume fraction of 95 %.

5.4 Sodium salicylate, 5 g/l, freshly prepared.

5.5 Sodium hydroxide, 300 g/l solution.

5.6 Sodium hydroxide, 4 N solution.

5.7 Potassium nitrate, dried at 120 °C and cooled in an desiccator.

6 Apparatus

6.1 Spectrophotometer, suitable for measurements at a wavelength of 410 nm.

6.2 10 mm cells for use with spectrophotometer.

6.3 ph meter.

6.4 One-mark volumetric flask, of a capacity 50 ml, 100 ml, 250 ml and 500 ml, according to ISO 1042.

6.5 Pipettes, capacity 10 ml, according to ISO 648 and ISO 835.

7 Sampling

Take a representative sample of the product to be tested according to ISO 15528.

8 Preparation and calibration graph

8.1 Standard solution I

Weigh $163 \pm 0,1$ mg of the potassium nitrate (5.7), dissolve it in water in the 100 ml one-mark volumetric flask, make up to the mark and mix well.

8.2 Standard solution II

Pipette 10 ml of the standard solution I in to a 500 ml one-mark volumetric flask, make up to the mark and mix well.

8.3 Construction of graph

Pipette 2 ml, 4 ml, 6 ml, 8 ml and 10 ml of the standard solution II (corresponding to 0,04 mg, 0,08 mg, 0,12 mg, 0,16 mg and 0,2 mg of anion NO_3 respectively) into separate 100 ml beakers.

To each beaker, add 1 ml of sodium salicylate solution (5.4), evaporate to dryness on a water-bath and allow cooling in a desiccator. Moisten each dried residue with 1 ml of the sulphuric acid (5.1) and allow standing in the desiccator for 10 min. Afterwards, wash the contents into separate 50 ml one-mark volumetric flasks with water, add 10 ml of the sodium hydroxide solution (5.5) to each and cool to room temperature.