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European foreword

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Introduction

This document specifies a suspension test for establishing whether a chemical disinfectant or antiseptic has a bactericidal activity in the fields described in the scope.

This laboratory test takes into account practical conditions of application of the product, including contact time, temperature, test organisms and interfering substances, i.e. conditions which may influence its action in practical situations.

The conditions are intended to cover general purposes and to allow reference between laboratories and product types. Each utilization concentration of the chemical disinfectant or antiseptic found by this test corresponds to defined experimental conditions. However, for some applications the recommendations of use of a product may differ and therefore additional test conditions need to be used.

1 Scope

This document specifies a test method and the minimum requirements for bactericidal activity of chemical disinfectant and antiseptic products that form a homogeneous, physically stable preparation when diluted with hard water or - in the case of ready-to-use products - with water. Products can only be tested at a concentration of 80 % or less, as some dilution is always produced by adding the test organisms and interfering substance.

The method described is intended to determine the activity of commercial formulations or active substances under the conditions in which they are used. This document applies to products that are used for equipment disinfection by immersion, surface disinfection by wiping, spraying, flooding or other means and teat disinfection in the veterinary area – e.g. in the breeding, husbandry, production, veterinary care facilities, transport and disposal of all animals except when in the food chain following death and entry into processing industry. This document also applies to products used for teat disinfection in these veterinary areas.

This method is not applicable to evaluate the activity of hand hygiene products. For these products reference is made to EN 14885, which specifies in detail the relationship of the various tests to one another and to “use recommendations”.

NOTE This method corresponds to a phase 2 step 1 test.

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.

EN 12353, *Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics - Preservation of test organisms used for the determination of bactericidal (including Legionella), mycobactericidal, sporicidal, fungicidal and virucidal (including bacteriophages) activity*

EN 14885, *Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics - Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 14885 apply.

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

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

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

4 Requirements

The product shall demonstrate at least a 5 decimal log (lg) reduction when diluted with hard water (5.2.2.7) or – in the case of ready-to-use products – with water (5.2.2.2) and tested in accordance with Table 1 and Clause 5 under simulated low level soiling (3 g/l bovine albumin) or high level soiling (10 g/l yeast extract and 10 g/l bovine albumin) or 10 g/l skimmed milk for post-milking teat disinfectants or 3 g/l bovine albumin for pre-milking teat disinfectants or in additional test conditions.

Table 1 — Test conditions

Test conditions	**Bactericidal activity on surfaces**	**Bactericidal activity for teat disinfectants**
Minimum spectrum of test organisms	*Enterococcus hirae* *Proteus hauseri*[1)] *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* *Staphylococcus aureus*	*Escherichia coli* *Staphylococcus aureus* *Streptococcus uberis*
additional	any relevant test organism	any relevant test organism
Test temperature	at intervals of 5 °C	
minimum	5 °C ± 1 °C	20 °C ± 1 °C
maximum	40 °C ± 1 °C	30 °C ± 1 °C
Contact time	at intervals of 30 s from 30 s to 5 min and at intervals of 5 min from 5 min to 120 min	
minimum	1 min ± 5 s	1 min ± 5 s for post-milking teat disinfectants 30 s ± 5 s for pre-milking teat disinfectants
maximum	120 min ± 10 s	30 min ± 10 s for post-milking teat disinfectants 3 min ± 10 s for pre-milking teat disinfectants
Interfering substance		**Interfering substance**
low level soiling high level soiling	3,0 g/l bovine albumin 10 g/l yeast extract plus 10 g/l bovine albumin	Post milking: 10,0 g/l of milk powder Pre-milking: 3,0 g/l bovine albumin
additional	any relevant substance	any relevant substance
[1)] Was known as *Proteus vulgaris.*		

Any additional specific bactericidal activity shall be determined in accordance with 5.2.1 and 5.5.1.1 in order to take into account intended specific use conditions.

5 Test method

5.1 Principle

5.1.1 A sample of the product as delivered and/or diluted with hard water (or water for ready-to-use products) is added to a test suspension of bacteria in a solution of an interfering substance. The mixture is maintained at the test temperature θ for the test contact time t. At the end of this contact time, an aliquot is taken, and the bactericidal and/or the bacteriostatic activity in this portion is immediately neutralized or suppressed by a validated method. The method of choice is dilution-neutralization. If a suitable neutralizer cannot be found, membrane filtration is used. The numbers of surviving bacteria in each sample are determined and the reduction is calculated.

5.1.2 For general disinfectant products, the test is performed using *Enterococcus hirae, Proteus hauseri, Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Staphylococcus aureus* as test organisms. For teat disinfectants the test is performed using *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Streptococcus uberis* as test organisms.

5.1.3 Additional and optional contact times and temperatures are specified. Additional test organisms can be used.

5.2 Materials and reagents

5.2.1 Test organisms

The bactericidal activity shall be evaluated using the following strains as test organisms:

NOTE The ATCC numbers are the collection numbers of strains supplied by the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC). This information is given for the convenience of users of this document and does not constitute an endorsement by CEN of the product named.

a) General disinfection products

- *Enterococcus hirae*	ATCC 10541
- *Proteus hauseri*	ATCC 13315
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*	ATCC 15442
- *Staphylococcus aureus*	ATCC 6538

b) Teat disinfectants

- *Escherichia coli*	ATCC 10536
- *Staphylococcus aureus*	ATCC 6538
- *Streptococcus uberis*	ATCC 19436

NOTE Refer to Annex A for strain references in some other culture collections.

The required incubation temperature for these test organisms is 36 °C ± 1 °C or 37 °C ± 1 °C (5.3.2.3). The same temperature (either 36 °C or 37 °C) shall be used for all incubations performed during a test and its control and validation.

If additional test organisms are used, they shall be incubated under optimum growth conditions (temperature, time, atmosphere, media) noted in the test report. If the additional test organisms selected do not correspond to the specified strains, their suitability for supplying the required inocula shall be verified. If these additional test organisms are not classified at a reference centre, their identification characteristics shall be stated. In addition, they shall be held by the testing laboratory or national culture collection under a reference for five years.

5.2.2 Culture media and reagents

5.2.2.1 General

All weights of chemical substances given in this document refer to the anhydrous salts. Hydrated forms may be used as an alternative, but the weights required shall be adjusted to allow for consequent molecular weight differences.

The reagents shall be of analytical grade and/or appropriate for microbiological purposes. They shall be free from substances that are toxic or inhibitory to the test organisms.

To improve reproducibility, it is recommended that commercially available dehydrated material is used for the preparation of culture media. The manufacturer's instructions relating to the preparation of these products should be rigorously followed.

For each culture medium and reagent, a shelf life should be fixed (see ISO/IEC 17025:2017).

5.2.2.2 Water

The water shall be freshly glass-distilled water and not demineralized water.

Sterilize in the autoclave [5.3.2.1 a)].

Refer to 5.2.2.7 for the procedure to prepare hard water.

NOTE 1 Sterilization is not necessary if the water is used e.g. for preparation of culture media and subsequently sterilized.

NOTE 2 If distilled water of adequate quality is not available, water for injections (see bibliographic reference [1]) can be used.

5.2.2.3 Tryptone Soya Agar (TSA)

Tryptone soya agar, consisting of:

Tryptone, pancreatic digest of casein	15,0 g;
Soya peptone, papaic digest of soybean meal	5,0 g;
Sodium chloride (NaCl)	5,0 g;
Agar	15,0 g;
Water (5.2.2.2)	to 1 000,0 ml.

Sterilize in the autoclave [5.3.2.1 a)]. After sterilization the pH of the medium shall be equivalent to 7,2 ± 0,2 when measured at (20 ± 1) °C.

In case of encountering problems with neutralization (5.5.1.2 and 5.5.1.3) it may be necessary to add neutralizer to the TSA. Annex B gives guidance on the neutralizers that may be used.

5.2.2.4 Diluent

Tryptone sodium chloride solution, consisting of:

Tryptone, pancreatic digest of casein	1,0 g;
Sodium chloride (NaCl)	8,5 g;
Water (5.2.2.2)	to 1 000,0 ml.

— Sterilize in the autoclave [5.3.2.1 a)].

— After sterilization, the pH of the diluent shall be equivalent to 7,0 ± 0,2 when measured at (20 ± 1) °C.

5.2.2.5 Neutralizer

The neutralizer shall be validated for the product being tested in accordance with 5.5.1.2, 5.5.1.3 and 5.5.2. It shall be sterile.

Information on neutralizers that have been found to be suitable for some categories of products is given in Annex B.

5.2.2.6 Rinsing liquid (for membrane filtration)

The rinsing liquid shall be validated for the product being tested in accordance with 5.5.1.2, 5.5.1.3 and 5.5.3. It shall be sterile, compatible with the filter membrane and capable of filtration through the filter membrane under the test conditions described in 5.5.3.

Information on rinsing liquids that have been found to be suitable for some categories of products is given in Annex B.

5.2.2.7 Hard water for dilution of products

For the preparation of 1 000 ml of hard water, the procedure is as follows:

— prepare solution A: dissolve 19,84 g magnesium chloride ($MgCl_2$) and 46,24 g calcium chloride ($CaCl_2$) in water (5.2.2.2) and dilute to 1 000 ml. Sterilize by membrane filtration (5.3.2.7) or in the autoclave [5.3.2.1 a)]. Autoclaving – if used - may cause a loss of liquid. In this case make up to 1 000 ml with water (5.2.2.2) under aseptic conditions. Store the solution in the refrigerator (5.3.2.8) for no longer than one month;

— prepare solution B: dissolve 35,02 g sodium bicarbonate ($NaHCO_3$) in water (5.2.2.2) and dilute to 1 000 ml. Sterilize by membrane filtration (5.3.2.7). Store the solution in the refrigerator (5.3.2.8) for no longer than one week;

— place 600 ml to 700 ml of water (5.2.2.2) in a 1 000 ml volumetric flask (5.3.2.12) and add 6,0 ml (5.3.2.9) of solution A, then 8,0 ml of solution B. Mix and dilute to 1 000 ml with water (5.2.2.2). The pH of the hard water shall be 7,0 ± 0,2 (5.3.2.4) when measured at (20 ± 1) °C. If necessary, adjust the pH by using a solution of approximately 40 g/l (about 1 mol/l) of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) or approximately 36,5 g/l (about 1 mol/l) of hydrochloric acid (HCl).

The hard water shall be freshly prepared under aseptic conditions and used within 12 h.

NOTE When preparing the product test solutions (5.4.2), the addition of the product to the hard water produces a different final water hardness in each test tube. In any case the final hardness is lower than 300 mg/l of calcium carbonate ($CaCO_3$) in the test tube.