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### Solid biofuels — Determination of particle size distribution for uncompressed fuels —

Part 1:  
**Oscillating screen method using sieves with apertures of 3,15 mm and above**

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 17827-1:2016), which has been technically revised.

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The main changes are as follows:

- 8-mm-sieve has been removed from the set of sieves;
- the required minimum sieving time can now optionally be chosen based on pre-tests;
- table of results has been completely modified;
- calculation of median value (Annex) has been deleted;
- precision requirements have been deleted;
- references have been updated.
- an introduction has been added;
- editorial changes have been made.

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## **Introduction**

Particle size and size distribution of uncompressed solid biofuels significantly influence the transport, handling and combustion properties of solid fuels. Depending on the type of fuel feeding and the type and size of a conversion plant, fuels of different particle sizes are suitable. Of particular interest are also the fines fraction and oversized particles. An increased content of fine particles can lead to clogging in feed systems and unsteady combustion. Oversized particles can block conveying systems or cause bridging problems in silos and can reduce the bulk density of the fuel. Very fine particles can have negative health effects and are relevant for explosion protection reasons (< 0,5 mm).

The ISO 17827 series, describing the determination of particle size distribution, consists of the following parts under the general title Solid biofuels — Determination of particle size distribution for uncompressed fuels:

Part 1: Oscillating screen method using sieves with apertures of 3,15 mm and above

Part 2: Vibrating screen method using sieves with apertures of 3,15 mm and below

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