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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 2811-3:2011), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- a requirement has been added to <u>8.2</u>, to de-aerate the sample prior to the determination in order to achieve reproducible results for the density;
- Table B.3 has been deleted;
- a bibliography has been added.

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### Paints and varnishes — Determination of density —

#### Part 3:

#### Oscillation method

#### 1 Scope

This document specifies a method for determining the density of paints, varnishes and related products using an oscillator.

The method is suitable for all materials, including paste-like coatings. If a pressure-resistant type of apparatus is used, the method is also applicable to aerosols.

#### 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 1513, Paints and varnishes — Examination and preparation of test samples

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

## 3 Terms and definitions cument Preview

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses: 23

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

## 3.1 density

ρ

mass divided by the volume of a portion of a material

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in grams per cubic centimetre.

[SOURCE: ISO 2811-1:2023, 3.1]

#### 4 Principle

A glass or stainless-steel U-tube is filled with the product under test. The tube is clamped at both ends and then subjected to oscillation. The resonance frequency of the filled tube varies with the mass contained in the tube, i.e. the density of the product under test.

#### 5 Temperature

The effect of temperature on density is highly significant with respect to filling properties, and varies with the type of product.

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Carry out the test at  $(23.0 \pm 0.5)$  °C.

NOTE For some purposes, a different temperature such as  $(20.0 \pm 0.5)$  °C can be required.

The test sample, tube and oscillator shall be conditioned to the specified or agreed temperature, and it shall be ensured that the temperature variation does not exceed 0,5 °C during testing.

#### 6 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and glassware, together with the following.

- **6.1 Oscillator**, consisting of a glass or stainless-steel U-tube and apparatus to cause the U-tube to oscillate. One model displays the resonance frequency; another calculates and displays the density.
- **6.2 Thermometer**, with an uncertainty of measurement of 0,2 °C and graduated at intervals of 0,2 °C or finer.
- **6.3 Temperature-controlled chamber**, capable of maintaining the oscillator and test sample at the specified or agreed temperature (see <u>Clause 5</u>).
- **6.4 Disposable plastic syringe**, of sufficient capacity to fill the U-tube.

#### 7 Sampling

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Take a representative sample of the product under test, as specified in ISO 15528. Examine and prepare the sample as specified in ISO 1513.

#### 8 Procedure

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8.1 General

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Carry out a single determination on a fresh test sample.

#### 8.2 Determination

Ensure that the apparatus is clean, both by inspection and by checking that the display indicates the density of air (or the corresponding period of oscillation at resonance). Density values for damp air are shown in Annex B.

Depending on the matrix, the sample shall be de-aerated prior to the determination in order to achieve reproducible results for the density.

NOTE 1 For waterborne coating matrices, de-aeration with a suitable mixing machine for about 30 s at  $2\,000\,\mathrm{min^{-1}}$  was found to be suitable.

Fill the U-tube with the product under test (about 2 cm<sup>3</sup>), if necessary, after de-aeration, in accordance with the oscillator manufacturer's instructions (i.e. until the level is above the upper of the two clamps holding the U-tube). Avoid introducing air bubbles, which cause unsteady readings.

NOTE 2 The presence of non-visible air bubbles becomes apparent due to the fact that the measured values vary considerably.

Close the upper filler-hole. Using the thermometer (6.2), check that the temperature of the temperature-controlled chamber is within the specified limits.

Start up and operate the oscillator in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.