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Determination of viscosity using
rotational viscometers —**

**Part 2:
Relative measurement of viscosity
using disc or ball spindles at
specified speeds**

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viscosimètres rotatifs —*

*Partie 2: Mesurage relatif de la viscosité avec des agitateurs à
disque ou à bille à des vitesses spécifiées*

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 2884-2:2003), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- terminology and symbols have been adapted to ISO 3219-1;
- a statement has been added that this document refers to a relative value for viscosity;
- description of the test procedure including the test report has been updated;
- the normative references have been updated.

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Paints and varnishes — Determination of viscosity using rotational viscometers —

Part 2: Relative measurement of viscosity using disc or ball spindles at specified speeds

1 Scope

This document specifies a general procedure for determining the viscosity of paints, varnishes and related products, as well as binders. The method is primarily used to determine the relative viscosity of a product and to monitor this while thinning during a manufacturing process. It describes a relative measurement of viscosity using disc or ball spindles at specified speeds.

The method specified in this document is suitable for all paints and varnishes whether they are Newtonian in behaviour or not. It can also be applied to materials containing dispersions of particles.

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 3219-1, *Rheology — Part 1: Vocabulary and symbols for rotational and oscillatory rheometry*

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

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 3219-1 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>
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4 Measuring assembly

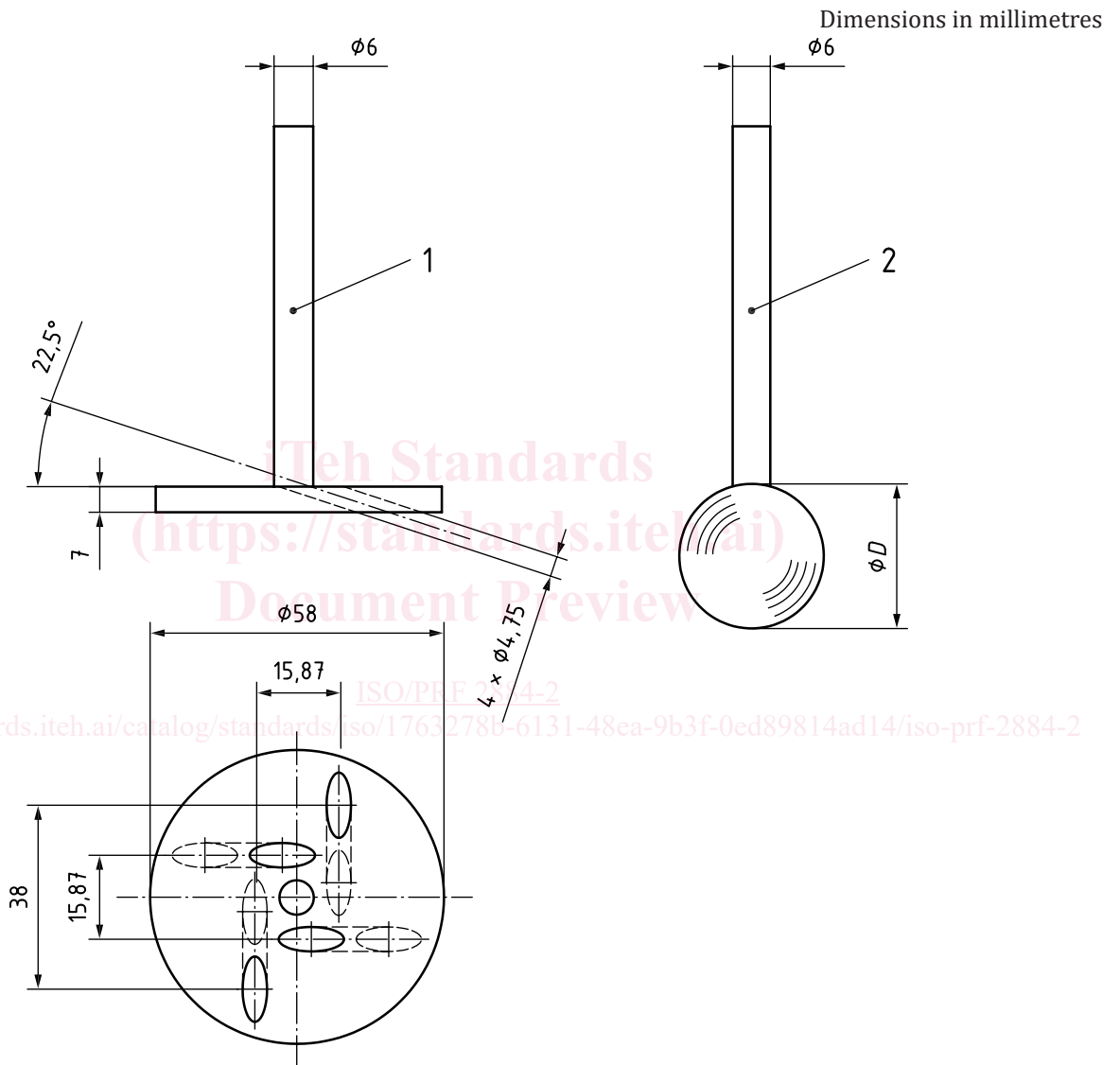
4.1 General

The measuring assembly consists of a rotational viscometer with a relative measuring geometry (disc or ball spindle in accordance with 4.2) and a defined container (in accordance with 4.3), in which the sample to be tested is contained. It shall be possible to control the temperature of the sample (in accordance with 4.4).

4.2 Spindles

The following types of spindles shall be used in the viscosity ranges described in [Table 1](#):

- Disc spindle (type 1) for use at relative viscosity values of up to 1,5 Pa·s at a rotational speed of 200 min⁻¹. The disc shall have cross-channels designed to produce a slight agitating action. The dimensions shall be as shown in [Figure 1](#).
- Ball spindles (type 2 and type 3) for use with relative viscosity values up to 6,5 Pa·s (type 2) and 34 Pa·s (type 3) at rotational speeds of 44 min⁻¹ or 20 min⁻¹. The dimensions shall be as shown in [Figure 1](#). The viscosity ranges of the spindles are shown in [Table 1](#).



Key

- 1 disc spindle (type 1)
- 2 ball spindle (type 2 and type 3)

Spindle	Diameter <i>D</i>
Type 2	31,75 mm
Type 3	19,05 mm

Figure 1 — Disc and ball spindles