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Introduction

In this document, volatile matter is determined as the loss in mass, less that due to moisture, when coal or coke is heated out of contact with air under standardized conditions. The test is empirical and, in order to ensure reproducible results, it is essential that the conditions specified in this document are strictly followed. The moisture of the sample is determined at the same time as the volatile matter so that the appropriate correction can be made.

Mineral matter associated with the sample can also lose mass under the conditions of the test specified in this document. The magnitude of the loss is dependent on both the nature and the quantity of the minerals present.

The apparatus and procedure are specified so that one or more determinations can be performed simultaneously in the furnace.

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