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Foreword

This document (EN 13130-1:2004) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 194 "Utensils in contact with food", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This document was prepared by Subcommittee SC1 of TC 194 to provide guidance in the preparation of samples for testing in a series of test methods contained in other parts of this standard.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by November 2004, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by November 2004.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association.

Informative annex E details the relationship of this standard with the European Union Directives.

At the time of preparation and publication of this standard the European Union legislation relating to plastics materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs is incomplete. Further Directives and amendments to existing Directives are expected which could change the legislative requirements which this standard supports. It is therefore strongly recommended that users of this standard refer to the latest relevant published Directive(s) before commencement of a test or tests described in this standard.

Further parts of EN 13130, under the general title *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs - Plastics substances subject to limitation*, have been prepared, and others are in preparation, concerned with the determination of specific migration from plastics materials into foodstuffs and food simulants and the determination of specific monomers and additives in plastics. The other parts of EN 13130 are as follows.

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 - Part 4: *Determination of 1,3-butadiene in plastics*
 - Part 5: *Determination of vinylidene chloride in food simulants*
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 - Part 13: *Determination of 2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane (Bisphenol A) in food simulants*

- Part 14: *Determination of 3,3-bis(3-methyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-indoline in food simulants*
- Part 15: *Determination of 1,3-butadiene in food simulants*
- Part 16: *Determination of caprolactam and caprolactam salt in food simulants*
- Part 17: *Determination of carbonyl chloride in plastics*
- Part 18: *Determination of 1,2-dihydroxybenzene, 1,3- dihydroxybenzene, 1,4- dihydroxybenzene, 4,4'-dihydroxybenzophenone and 4,4'dihydroxybiphenyl in food simulants*
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- Part 26: *Determination of 1-octene and tetrahydrofuran in food simulants*
- Part 27: *Determination of 2,4,6-triamino-1,3,5-triazine in food simulants*
- Part 28: *Determination of 1,1,1-trimethylpropane in food simulants*

Parts 2 to 8 are European Standards.

Parts 9 to 28 are Technical Specifications, prepared within the Standards, Measurement and Testing project, MAT1-CT92-0006, "Development of Methods of Analysis for Monomers" ¹⁾ .

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¹⁾ Franz R. and Rijk.R; Development of methods of analysis for monomers and other starting substances with SML and/or QM limits in Directives 2002/72/EC and 92/39/EEC. European Commission, BCR information: Chemical analysis, EU report 17610 EN, ECSC-EC-EAEC. Brussels - Luxembourg 1997.

EN 13130-1:2004 (E)**Introduction**

EN 13130-1 is intended to give guidance on the selection of the most appropriate type of test, test conditions and test method for a given application of a plastics material or article and is intended to be read in its entirety before testing protocols are finalized.

The general criteria for the operation and assessment of testing laboratories as well as the general criteria for laboratory accreditation bodies are set out in EN ISO/IEC 17025, EN 45002 and EN 45003. It is recommended that laboratories using this standard validate their procedures by taking part in a proficiency scheme. Suitable proficiency schemes are operated in Germany and in the United Kingdom, for example the German Assessment Scheme for Food Testing (GAFT) and the Food Analysis Performance Assessment Scheme (FAPAS) conducted by the Central Science Laboratory of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

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1 Scope

This part of this European Standard provides a guide to the selection of the appropriate conditions of contact of food simulants with the test article before the determination of specific migration of those substances subject to a migration limit.

NOTE According to Directive 2002/72/EC[2] the determination of the migration of specified components in foodstuffs instead of the use of simulants is permitted. However, in that situation there is no need to give guidance on the test conditions of time and temperature as contact conditions shall be equal to conditions applied in real.

Also general guidance is given for the determination of the amount of the substance in the final plastics material or article.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 10088-1; *Stainless steels – Part 1: List of stainless steels.*

EN ISO 8442-2:1997; *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Cutlery and table holloware – Part 2: Requirements for stainless steel and silver-plated cutlery (ISO 8442-2:1997).*

ISO 648; *Laboratory glassware – One-mark pipettes.*

ISO 4788; *Laboratory glassware – Graduated measuring cylinders.*

ISO 5725 (all parts); *Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results.*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

plastics

organic macromolecular compounds obtained by polymerization, polycondensation, polyaddition or any similar process from molecules with a lower molecular weight or by chemical alteration of natural molecules. Silicones and other macromolecular compounds should also be regarded as plastics. Other substances or matter can be added to such compounds.

3.2

final material/article

material or article in its ready-for-use state or as sold

3.3

sample

material or article under investigation

3.4

test specimen

portion of the sample on which a test is performed

EN 13130-1:2004 (E)**3.5****test piece**

portion of the test specimen

3.6**conventional oven**

oven where the air within the oven is heated and this heat is then transferred to the food through the plastics as opposed to a microwave oven where the food itself is heated directly by microwave irradiation

3.7**food simulant**

medium intended to simulate a foodstuff (see clauses 4 to 7)

3.8**specific migration**

mass of the substance transferred to the simulant as determined in the test method

3.9**residual content**

mass of the substance present in the final material or article

3.10**specific migration limit (SML)**

maximum permitted level of a named substance migrating from the final material or article into food or food simulants

3.11**SML(T)**

maximum permitted level of a named substance migrating from the final material or article into food or food simulants expressed as total of moiety or substance(s) indicated

3.12**compositional limit (Qm)**

maximum permitted amount of the "residual" monomer, additive or substance in the material or article

3.13**Qm(T)**

maximum permitted amount of the "residual" monomer, additive or substance in the material or article expressed as total of moiety or substance(s) indicated

3.14**quantity per surface area (QMA)**

maximum permitted amount of residual monomer, additive or substance in the material or article expressed as $\text{mg}/6\text{dm}^2$

3.15**reduction factor**

numbers, 2 to 5, which can be applied to the result of the migration tests relevant to certain types of fatty foodstuffs and which is conventionally used to take account of the greater extractive capacity of the simulant for such foodstuffs

3.16**migration test**

test for the determination of specific migration of substance, using food simulant under conventional test conditions

3.17**substitute fat test**

test carried out which uses test media under conventional substitute test conditions when the use of a migration test into fatty food simulant(s) is not feasible

3.18**test media**

substances used in "substitute tests", iso-octane, 95 % ethanol in aqueous solution and modified polyphenylene oxide (MPPO)

3.19**alternative fat test**

tests, with suitable, usually, volatile media, that can be used instead of migration tests with fatty food simulants

3.20**'volatile' test media**

volatile substances used in alternative fat tests

3.21**extraction tests**

tests in which media having strong extraction properties under very severe test conditions, are used

3.22**dissolution test**

tests in which the sample is dissolved to liberate the substance from the plastics test specimen

3.23**pouch**

receptacle of known dimensions manufactured from plastics film/sheet to be tested, which when filled with food simulant or test medium exposes the food contact side of the film/sheet to the food simulant or test medium

3.24**reverse pouch**

pouch which is fabricated such that the plastics surface intended to come into contact with foodstuff is the outer surface. All of its edges are sealed to prevent the inner surfaces coming into contact with the food simulant or test medium during the test period. The reverse pouch is intended to be totally immersed in the food simulant or test medium

3.25**cell**

device in which a plastics film to be tested can be mounted which when assembled and filled with food simulant or test medium, exposes the food contact side of the film to the food simulant or test medium

3.26**repeatability value 'r'**

value below which the absolute difference between two single test results obtained under repeatability conditions can be expected to lie with a probability of 95 %, as described in ISO 5725

3.27**reproducibility value 'R'**

value below which the absolute difference between two single test results obtained under reproducibility conditions can be expected to lie with a probability of 95%, as described in ISO 5725

3.28**repeatability conditions**

conditions where mutually independent test results are obtained with the same method on identical test material in the same laboratory by the same operator using the same equipment within short intervals of time

3.29**reproducibility conditions**

conditions where test results are obtained with the same method on identical material in different laboratories with different operators using different equipment

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4 General

4.1 Summary

When determining the specific migration of substances from plastics materials and articles into foodstuffs, food simulants or test media, the test procedure is carried out in two stages. The first stage is the exposure of the plastics material or article to the foodstuff, food simulant or test medium under conditions of use or simulated conditions of use. The second stage is the determination of the migrant in the foodstuff, food simulant or test medium. This part of this standard comprises advice and instructions on the procedures to be followed, where appropriate, in preparing the plastics sample for exposure, the selection of conditions of exposure to food simulants or test media and the calculation of migration levels when the analysis of the migrating substance is complete.

In addition, guidance is given in the preparation of plastics test specimens for the determination of the residual content of a substance or group of substances.

Procedures for sampling plastics materials and articles and foodstuffs for analysis are described in clause 11.

Methods for the chemical analysis of the individual substances or groups of substances in foodstuffs, food simulants and test media, and as residues in plastics materials and articles, are given in other parts of this standard.

4.2 Precautions in handling and testing

Many substances which are the subject of testing are volatile substances which migrate spontaneously from plastics. When testing a plastics material or article containing a volatile substance, careful consideration needs to be given to possible loss of the substance by volatilization after sampling and during testing. Loss of volatiles after sampling and before testing, can be minimized by low temperature storage or hermetic sealing with limited void volume (see clause 11). (standards.iteh.ai)

In many applications of plastics materials and articles under actual conditions of use, it is possible that volatile substances will not migrate exclusively into the foodstuff but be lost to the surrounding atmosphere.

Considerations are given to the classification of substances on the basis of volatility in annex A.

Cutting or any mechanical treatment of the sample to prepare test specimens or test pieces, for testing with foodstuffs, food simulants or test media, can have an irreversible effect on the composition and/or morphology of the edges of the sample. As a result, with tests performed with test pieces totally immersed in the foodstuff or food simulant the obtained migration value might not be a true reflection of the real migration under actual conditions of use. Plastics sensitive to this phenomenon are acrylonitrile/butadiene/styrene terpolymers (ABS), polystyrene and other styrene co-polymers. With these plastics types, cut edges shall preferably not be in contact with the foodstuff, food simulant or test medium. Care shall also be taken to avoid mechanical damage to surfaces of these types of plastics.

4.3 Analysis of a substance in a food simulant - migration test

Where a plastics material or article is intended to be used in contact with a wide variety of foodstuffs it could be impracticable to test with all possible foodstuffs. Frequently, the presence of interfering substances in the foodstuff precludes the use of simple analytical methods. For these reasons migration testing with conventional food simulants is permissible.

In general, the methods described in other parts of this standard have been devised for use with the conventional food simulants. When the analysis is in the liquids chosen by convention to simulate foodstuffs, this part of this standard is intended to give advice on the selection of the most appropriate test conditions and test method for a given application of a plastics material or article and shall be read in its entirety before testing protocols are started.

4.4 Analysis of substance in a foodstuff

In some cases it could be necessary to carry out the analysis for a migrant in an actual foodstuff. This is particularly so for enforcement authorities where a sample of the plastics material or article which has not been in contact with the foodstuff is not available. Testing in actual foodstuff could also be appropriate when the testing in food simulants under the conventional conditions, taking into account reduction factors is known to produce invalid results.

For some analytical procedures, for example headspace gas chromatography analyses of volatile substances, analyses in a wide variety of foodstuffs can be possible. When the analysis is carried out in an actual foodstuff particular care needs to be taken to ensure the validity of the test result, since the performance characteristics of the method are unlikely to have been established for the foodstuff. Where a particular procedure has also been found to be suitable for determinations in foodstuffs, this will be indicated in the part of this standard relevant to that particular substance.

4.5 Analysis of a substance in a test medium - substitute fat tests

Where the determination of a specified substance in a fatty food simulant is not feasible, for technical reasons connected with the method of analysis, then a substitute fat test using a test medium (iso-octane, 95% ethanol or modified polyphenylene oxide) can be used. Validity of the test result needs to be verified, since the performance characteristics of the test method might not have been established for the particular test medium.

4.6 Analysis of a substance in a 'volatile' test medium - alternative fat tests

Alternative fat tests using 'volatile' test media can be used to demonstrate compliance with the relevant specific migration limit. The alternative fat test conditions and the 'volatile' test medium shall be selected with great care as the migration into the 'volatile' test medium shall be equivalent to or higher than the migration into the fatty food simulant. Validity of the test result needs to be verified, since the performance characteristics of the method are unlikely to have been established for the particular 'volatile' test medium used.

4.7 Analysis of a substance in a plastics material or article

For those plastics substances which are subject to compositional limits, expressed as maximum quantity of substance, in milligrams, present per kilogram of plastics (mg/kg) - QM, or as maximum quantity of substance, in milligrams, present per 6 square decimetres of surface area of plastics (mg/6 dm²), an analysis is carried out on the plastics material and article prior to contact with any foodstuff.

4.8 Multi-analyte analyses

Some plastics materials and articles contain several substances subject to specific migration limitations and/or compositional limitations. For the determination of the migration of more than one substance, one test simulant, test medium or one sample of foodstuff derived from a single exposure of the plastics to the food simulant, test medium or a single sample of foodstuff, can be prepared for the analyses. The test simulant, test medium or sample of foodstuff shall be divided to allow each substance to be individually determined, using the appropriate individual analytical test methods. If one of the substances is designated a 'volatile' substance, then the procedures for exposure to simulants, test media and sampling, have to be those applicable to volatile substances. Where the analyses are for substances in the plastics material or article, a suitable sample shall be appropriately divided for the analyses of the individual substances.

4.9 Multilayer materials and articles

There are many plastics constructions in food contact applications where the food contact surface is chemically different from the other layers. For a substance with a compositional limit (QM, mg/kg), the limit can apply only to the layer containing the substance. The concentration in the particular layer is calculated from the analytical measurement of the substance in the multilayer material, if the thickness and density of the layer is known or can be measured.