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terms —**

**Part 3:
Plasticizers**

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Foreword

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 61, *Plastics*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Terminology*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 1043-3:1996), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- alternative CAS Registry Numbers have been added for some “octyl” plasticizers;
- a symbol for soya bean has been included in [Annex A](#).

ISO 1043 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms*:

- *Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics*
- *Part 2: Fillers and reinforcing materials*
- *Part 3: Plasticizers*
- *Part 4: Flame retardants*

Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms —

Part 3: Plasticizers

1 Scope

This part of ISO 1043 provides uniform symbols for components of terms relating to plasticizers to form abbreviated terms. It includes, in general, only those abbreviated terms that have come into established use.

The purpose of this part of ISO 1043 is to prevent the occurrence of more than one abbreviated term for a given plasticizer. The symbols are primarily intended to be convenient shorthand for forming abbreviated terms for chemical names in publications and other written matter.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 472, *Plastics — Vocabulary*

ISO 1043-1, *Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 472 and ISO 1043-1 apply.

4 Use of the symbols and abbreviated terms

4.1 The first appearance of an abbreviated term in a text shall be enclosed in parentheses and shall be preceded by the chemical name written in full.

4.2 Only capital letters shall be used for the symbols.

4.3 The list comprises the abbreviated term, the commonly used name or names and the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) equivalent and the Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number (CAS-RN) where these are available. In cases where IUPAC nomenclature or the CAS-RN is not available due to uncertainty or ambiguity, this is indicated in the text.

The commonly used chemical name or the IUPAC name given in this part of ISO 1043 shall be referred to when defining each abbreviated term.

It should be recognized that, in use in the rubber and plastics industries, many plasticizers are “commercial” or “technical” grades and not necessarily pure forms of substances.

4.4 A list of symbols for individual components of abbreviated terms is given in [Annex A](#).