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## Foreword

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This document contains three significant changes compared to EN 13398:2003:

- 1) The test temperature is no longer only 25 °C, other temperatures are admissible to perform the test.
- 2) Dimensioning of the sample and keeping this sample at the specified test temperature are now in line with EN 13589.
- 3) The formula for calculating the elastic recovery is now expressed by mentioning the elongation L, which also enables to determine the elastic recovery in case of premature break (i.e. due to brittleness).

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for the determination of the elastic recovery of bituminous binders in a ductilometer at the test temperature (typically 25 °C or 10 °C; other temperatures can be used).

It is especially applicable to bituminous binders modified with thermoplastic elastomers, but can also be used with other bituminous binders which generate only small recovery.

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## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

EN 58, *Bitumen and bituminous binders — Sampling bituminous binders*

EN 12594, *Bitumen and bituminous binders — Preparation of test samples*

EN 13589, *Bitumen and bituminous binders — Determination of the tensile properties of modified bitumen by the force ductility method*

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

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **bitumen thread**

test specimen of moulded bitumen, stretched to a thread

### 3.2

#### **half-threads**

two pieces obtained, when a bitumen specimen has been stretched by 200 mm to a thread and then cut in the middle

### 3.3

#### **elastic recovery**

expressed as a percentage of the distance between the ends of the half-threads, which has developed 30 min after the division relative to the elongation length of 200 mm

## 4 Principle

A bituminous binder specimen is stretched at the test temperature and a constant rate of 50 mm/min to a predetermined elongation (200 mm). The bitumen thread thus produced is cut in the middle to obtain two halves of thread. After a predetermined time for recovery has elapsed, the shortening of the half threads is measured and expressed as the percentage of the elongation length.