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#### Käsitlusala:

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#### **Foreword**

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#### 1 Scope

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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 1425, Bitumen and bituminous binders - Characterization of perceptible properties

EN 1427, Bitumen and bituminous binders – Determination of the softening point – Ring and Ball method

EN 10088-3, Stainless steels – Part 3: Technical delivery conditions for semi-finished products, bars, rods, wire, sections and bright products of corrosion resisting steels for general purposes

EN 12594, Bitumen and bituminous binders – Preparation of test samples

EN 12597, Bitumen and bituminous binders – Terminology

ISO 6508-1, Metallic materials – Rockwell hardness test – Part 1. Test method (scales A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, N, T)

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 12597 and the following applies.

#### 3.1

#### penetration

consistency, expressed as the distance in tenths of a millimetre that a standard needle will penetrate vertically into a sample of the material under specified conditions of temperature, load and loading duration

#### 4 Principle

The penetration of a standard needle into a conditioned test sample shall be measured. For penetrations up to approximately  $330 \times 0.1$  mm the operating parameters shall be a test temperature of 25 °C, an applied load of 100 g, and a loading duration of 5 s. For penetrations expected above approximately  $330 \times 0.1$  mm, the test temperature shall be reduced to 15 °C but the operating parameters of the applied load and the loading duration remain unchanged.