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engrais minéraux par chromatographie ionique et
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Ionenchromatographie und Leitfähigkeitsnachweis (IC-
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European foreword

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1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the determination of traces of perchlorate in mineral fertilizers by ion chromatography and conductivity detection (IC-CD).

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 12944-1, *Fertilizers and liming materials and soil improvers — Vocabulary — Part 1: General terms*

EN 12944-2, *Fertilizers and liming materials and soil improvers — Vocabulary — Part 2: Terms relating to fertilizers*

EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods (ISO 3696)*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 12944-1 and EN 12944-2 apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>
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4 Principle

The perchlorate content of the fertilizer sample is determined by ion chromatography with conductivity detection after extraction in water. The ion chromatograph comprises a sample injection part, a separation part and detection part. For lower noise and background level of detection, a suppressed conductivity detector may be used. Anion exchange resin is used as stationary phase and aqueous solutions of monobasic and dibasic salts are used as mobile phase.

5 Reagents

All reagents shall be of recognized analytical grade and shall have negligible concentration of the element to be determined if compared to the lowest concentration of that element in the sample solution.

5.1 Water, grade 1 according to EN ISO 3696.

5.2 Perchlorate standard solutions, with a mass concentration of $\rho(\text{ClO}_4^-) = 0,05 \text{ mg/l}$, $0,1 \text{ mg/l}$, $0,3 \text{ mg/l}$, $0,5 \text{ mg/l}$, $0,7 \text{ mg/l}$ and 1 mg/l , prepared from a stock solution with verified concentration of perchlorate, e.g. with $\rho(\text{ClO}_4^-) = 1\,000 \text{ mg/l}$.

The $0,5 \text{ mg/l}$ calibration standard is used for a regular calibration testing.

5.3 Quality control sample, with a mass concentration of $\rho(\text{ClO}_4^-) = 0,5 \text{ mg/l}$ prepared from a solution (e.g. $\rho(\text{ClO}_4^-) = 1\,000 \text{ mg/l}$ of perchlorate standard).