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1 Scope

This document describes methods for verifying the geometric characteristics of products of natural stone such as rough blocks, rough slabs, finished products for cladding, flooring, stairs and modular tiles and paving units (slabs, setts and kerbs). These methods can be applied in the case of a dispute between two parties, they are not compulsory for production control.

Other measuring equipment can be used as long as their precision can be demonstrated to be equal or better than the ones mentioned here.

It is essential that all weighing, measuring and testing equipment are calibrated or retraceable to measurement standards and regularly inspected according to documented procedures, frequencies and criteria. It is important that the expression of the dimensional characteristics is in accordance with the appropriate class of the measured product.

2 Normative references

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3 Terms and definitions

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4 Measurement of the dimensions of squared rough blocks

4.1 Measurement of the gross dimensions of squared rough blocks

4.1.1 Principle

Measurement of the dimensions of the smallest rectangular cuboid with straight edges that contains a rough block.

4.1.2 Apparatus

- A rigid ruler of appropriate length graduated in 0,01 m.

4.1.3 Measurement procedure

The gross length x_{gross} , the gross width y_{gross} and the gross height z_{gross} of the block are measured in the following manner:

- Define the smallest cuboid that can encompass the rough block.
- Estimate by projection the gross dimensions of the block x_{gross} , y_{gross} and z_{gross} (see Figure 1).
- Take measurements expressed in metres to the nearest 0,01 m at i places (minimum 3) for each direction x_i , y_i , z_i where visually the largest dimensions occur.