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**Water quality — Determination of selected  
organic nitrogen and phosphorus  
compounds — Gas chromatographic  
methods**

*Qualité de l'eau — Dosage de certains composés organiques azotés et  
phosphorés sélectionnés — Méthodes par chromatographie en phase  
gazeuse*



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## Foreword

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Annexes A, B, C and D of this International Standard are for information only.

# Water quality — Determination of selected organic nitrogen and phosphorus compounds — Gas chromatographic methods

**WARNING** — This International Standard makes use of flammable and toxic organic solvents and some toxic organic and phosphorus compounds. Observe the safety regulations in effect.

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies two methods for the determination of certain organic nitrogen and phosphorus compounds in waters by gas chromatography (see Table 1).

The methods may be extended to include additional substances, provided the methods are validated for each individual case.

Clause 3 describes the liquid/liquid extraction method, which is applicable to samples of drinking waters, ground waters, surface waters and waste waters containing up to 0,05 g/l of suspended solids. In the presence of organic matter, suspended matter and colloids, interferences are more numerous and consequently the detection limits of this method can be higher.

**NOTE** Because of the very low concentrations normally present in the waters, the problem of contamination is extremely important. The lower the level measured, the more precautions have to be observed.

Clause 4 describes the liquid/solid extraction method which is applicable to samples of ground water, surface water and drinking water containing mass concentrations of about  $\geq 0,05 \mu\text{g/l}$ . Interferences occurring with the examination of some types of surface water can prevent the application of this method.

Detection limits are given for information in annex A.

**NOTE** When applying this International Standard, the guide on analytical quality control for water analysis (see ISO/TR 13530) should be followed.

Table 1 — Organic nitrogen and phosphorus compounds analysed by these methods

Name	Molecular formula	Molar mass	CAS No. <sup>a</sup>
Atrazine	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>14</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub>	215,7	001912-24-9
Cyanazine	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>13</sub> ClN <sub>6</sub>	240,7	021725-46-2
Metazachlor	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>3</sub> O	277,8	067129-08-2
Parathion (ethyl)	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> NO <sub>5</sub> PS	291,3	00056-38-2
Parathion (methyl)	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> NO <sub>5</sub> PS	263,2	298-00-0
Pendimethalin	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	281,3	040487-42-1
Propazine	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub>	229,7	000139-40-2
Sebuthylazine	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub>	229,7	007286-69-3
Simazine	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>12</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub>	201,7	000122-34-9
Terbuthylazine	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub>	229,7	005915-41-3
Trifluralin	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>16</sub> F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	335,3	001582-09-8
Vinclozolin	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>9</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	286,1	050471-44-8

<sup>a</sup> Chemical Abstracts Registry Number.

## 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 5667-1:1980, *Water quality — Sampling — Part 1: Guidance on the design of sampling programmes*.

ISO 5667-2:1991, *Water quality — Sampling — Part 2: Guidance on sampling techniques*.

ISO/TR 13530:1997, *Water quality — Guide to analytical quality control for water analysis*.

## 3 Liquid/liquid extraction

### 3.1 Principle

The organic nitrogen and phosphorus compounds in the water sample are extracted by liquid/liquid extraction with dichloromethane. After concentration, the sample extracts are analysed by gas chromatography, using a nitrogen-phosphorus detector.

### 3.2 Reagents

All reagents, including water, shall be of sufficient purity that they do not give rise to significant interfering peaks in the gas chromatograms of the blanks. The purity of reagents used in the procedure shall be verified for each batch of material by running blank determinations (3.5.6).

Reagents shall be stored in glass containers.