
**Cereals — Determination of bulk
density, called mass per hectolitre —**

**Part 3:
Routine method**

*Céréales — Détermination de la masse volumique, dite masse à
l'hectolitre —*

Partie 3: Méthode pratique



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- a formulae has been introduced to express the results obtained with NILEMA LITRE for wheat and barley.

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Cereals — Determination of bulk density, called mass per hectolitre —

Part 3: Routine method

1 Scope

This document specifies a routine method for the determination of bulk density, called “mass per hectolitre”, of cereals as grain using manual or automatic, mechanical, electric or electronic mass per hectolitre measuring instruments.

NOTE Further details of the measuring instruments are specified in ISO 7971-2:2019, 6.4.

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.

ISO 7971-2:2019, *Cereals — Determination of bulk density, called mass per hectolitre — Part 2: Method of traceability for measuring instruments through reference to the international standard instrument*

3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

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mass per hectolitre

bulk density

test weight

<cereals> ratio of the mass of a cereal to the volume it occupies after being poured into a container under defined manufacturer's conditions

Note 1 to entry: Mass per hectolitre is expressed in kilograms per hectolitre of grains as received.

Note 2 to entry: Mass per hectolitre, as defined in this document, is different from “packing density” or “intrinsic density” of cereals.

[SOURCE: ISO 7971-1:2009, 2.1, modified — In the definition, “defined manufacturer's conditions” has replaced “well-defined conditions”.]

4 Principle

The mass per hectolitre of a cereal is obtained from the mass of a volume of cereal determined under controlled sample filling and flow conditions.