
**Composites and reinforcements
fibres — Determination of the fracture
energy of bonded plates of carbon
fibre reinforced plastics (CFRPs) and
metal using double cantilever beam
specimens**



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Foreword

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Introduction

The potential benefits to the users of CFRP/metal assemblies of implementing the adhesive fracture energy of DCB specimen based on this document are:

- a) expanding CFRP applications to the fields where it could be used in combination with metallic components;
- b) the detection or the prevention of physical properties loss — such as ion migration and time-related degradation in sealant film, injected calking layer and glass fibre reinforced plastics (GFRPs) layer;
- c) demonstrating the conformity to specified conditions for type certification requirements in the engineering such as aircraft developments;
- d) evaluating the procedures for maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) in the engineering operations such as CFRP in aerospace, or in constructions such as steel bridges and industrial applications (e.g. pipework repair, etc.)

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1 Scope

This document specifies the test method for the determination of adhesive fracture energy of adhesively bonded plates of carbon fibre reinforced plastic (CFRP) and metal using a double cantilever beam (DCB) specimen. The test method is also applicable to bonded joints between metals and other composite materials, such as glass fibre reinforced plastics.

2 Normative references

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ISO 291, *Plastics — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing*

ISO 7500-1, *Metallic materials — Calibration and verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Calibration and verification of the force-measuring system*

ISO 10365, *Adhesives — Designation of main failure patterns*

ISO 25217, *Adhesives — Determination of the mode 1 adhesive fracture energy of structural adhesive joints using double cantilever beam and tapered double cantilever beam specimens*

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3.1 Terms and definitions

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