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## Laboratory plastic ware — Volumetric flasks

*Matériel en plastique de laboratoire — Fioles jaugées*



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## Foreword

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## Introduction

Volumetric flasks together with analytical balances are the fundamental tools for the preparation of volumetric standard solutions – the basis of chemical analysis. The design of class A volumetric flasks has been optimized to achieve the fewest possible acceptable errors.

Class A volumetric flasks are used for the production of standard solutions and where necessary, a suitable quantity is poured into an intermediate vessel into which a pipette tip may be introduced.

In accordance with good laboratory practice, only class A volumetric flasks conforming to this document should be used for precise analytical purposes.



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## 1 Scope

This document sets out requirements for the construction of general laboratory volumetric flasks made of plastic material.

## 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/IEC Guide 99, *International vocabulary of metrology — Basic and general concepts and associated terms (VIM)*

ISO 383, *Laboratory glassware — Interchangeable conical ground joints*

ISO 384:2015, *Laboratory glass and plastics ware — Principles of design and construction of volumetric instruments*

ISO 1043-1, *Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics*

ISO 4787, *Laboratory glass and plastic ware — Volumetric instruments — Methods for testing of capacity and for use*

DIN 168-1, *Knuckle threads — Part 1: Especially for glass containers; thread sizes*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC Guide 99 apply.

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

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

## 4 Volume and reference temperature

### 4.1 Unit of volume

The unit of volume shall be the millilitre (ml), which is equivalent to the cubic centimetre (cm<sup>3</sup>).

### 4.2 Reference temperature

The standard reference temperature, i.e. the temperature at which the volumetric flask is intended to contain or deliver its volume (capacity), shall be 20 °C.

When the volumetric flask is required for use in a country which has adopted a standard reference temperature of 27 °C, this value shall be substituted for 20 °C.