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## European foreword

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- *Part 1: Requirements, classification, designation, marking and labelling;*
- *Part 2: Test methods.*

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies the methods for determining characteristics for grouts used in internal and external installation of ceramic tiles.

This document does not contain performance requirements or recommendations for the design and installation of ceramic tiles.

The following test methods are described:

- Determination of flexural and compressive strength (9.1);
- Determination of water absorption (9.2);
- Determination of shrinkage (9.3);
- Determination of resistance to abrasion (9.4);
- Determination of chemical resistance (9.5).

Grouts for ceramic tiles can also be used for other kinds of tiles (natural and agglomerated stones, etc.), if they do not adversely affect the stones.

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## 2 Normative references

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EN 196-1:2016, *Methods of testing cement - Part 1: Determination of strength*

EN 1067, *Adhesives - Examination and preparation of samples for testing*

EN ISO 10545-6, *Ceramic tiles - Part 6: Determination of resistance to deep abrasion for unglazed tiles (ISO 10545-6)*

EN ISO 15605, *Adhesives - Sampling (ISO 15605)*

## 3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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 <https://www.electropedia.org/>

## 4 Sampling

Take at least 2 kg sample of the grout in accordance with EN ISO 15605 and EN 1067.