

## **Kiudsarrustatud plastkomposiidid. Paindeomaduste määramine**

Fibre-reinforced plastic composites - Determination  
of flexural properties

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## Introduction

This standard is based on ISO 178 but deals with fibre-reinforced plastic composites. As such it retains the test conditions relevant for glass-fibre-reinforced systems. The test conditions are extended from ISO 178 to include both three-point (Method A) and four-point (Method B) loading geometries, and to include conditions for composites based on newer fibres such as carbon and aramid fibres.

Other source documents consulted include ASTM D 790 (four-point loading), prEN 2562 (test conditions), CRAG 200 and JIS K 7074 (use of shims for four-point loading, figure 6). The overall specimen length for four-point loading is the same as for three-point loading.

The scope of ISO 178 will be revised and limited to unreinforced and filled plastics.

EN 63:1977, *Glass-reinforced plastics — Determination of flexural properties — Three-point test*, will be withdrawn.

### 1 Scope

**1.1** This International Standard specifies a method for determining the flexural properties of fibre-reinforced plastic composites under three-point (Method A) and four-point (Method B) loading. Standard test specimens are defined but parameters included for alternative specimen sizes for use where appropriate. A range of test speeds is included.

**1.2** The method is not suitable for the determination of design parameters, but may be used for screening materials, or as a quality-control test.

NOTE – For example, the flexural modulus is only an appropriate value of the tensile Young's modulus of elasticity as the test is not for the additional deflection due to the shear stress which leads to a lower value of the flexural modulus but uses test span/specimen thickness ratios that minimise this effect. Differences between tensile and flexural properties are also caused by the material structure/lay-up.

**1.3** The method is suitable for fibre-reinforced thermoplastic and thermosetting plastic composites.

Unreinforced and particle-filled plastics and plastics reinforced with short (i.e. less than 1 mm length) fibres are covered by ISO 178.

**1.4** The method is performed using specimens which may be moulded to the chosen dimensions, machined from the central portion of the standard multi-purpose test specimen (see ISO 3167) or machined from semi-finished or finished products such as mouldings or laminates.

**1.5** The method specifies preferred dimensions for the specimen. Tests which are carried out on specimens of other dimensions, or on specimens which are prepared under different conditions, may produce results which are not comparable. Other factors, such as the speed of testing and the conditioning of the specimens can influence the results. For materials which are not homogeneous through the section, or above the linear-elastic response region, the result applies only to the thickness and structure tested. Consequently, when comparative data are required, these factors must be carefully controlled and recorded.

## 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

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| ISO 178   | 1993 | <i>Plastics - Determination of flexural properties.</i>  |
| ISO 291   | 1997 | <i>Plastics - Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing.</i>   |
| ISO 293   | 1986 | <i>Plastics - Compression moulding test specimens of thermoplastic materials.</i>  |
| ISO 294-1 | 1996 | <i>Plastics - Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials - Part 1: General principles, and moulding of multipurpose and bar test specimens.</i> |
| ISO 295   | 1991 | <i>Plastics - Compression moulding of test specimens of thermosetting materials.</i>   |
| ISO 1268  | 1974 | <i>Plastics - Preparation of glass fibre reinforced, resin bonded, low-pressure laminated plates or panels for test purposes (under revision).</i>                   |
| ISO 2602  | 1980 | <i>Statistical interpretation of test results - Estimation of the mean - Confidence interval.</i>  |
| ISO 2818  | 1994 | <i>Plastics - Preparation of test specimens by machining.</i>  |
| ISO 3167  | 1993 | <i>Plastics - Multipurpose test specimens.</i>   |
| ISO 5893  | 1993 | <i>Rubber and plastics test equipment - Tensile, flexural and compression types (constant rate of traverse) - Description.</i>                                       |

## 3 Principle

The test specimen, supported as a beam, is deflected at a constant rate until the specimen fractures or until the deformation reaches some pre-determined value. During this procedure, the force applied to the specimen and the deflection are measured.

The method is used to investigate the flexural behaviour of the test specimens and for determining the flexural strength, flexural modulus and other aspects of the flexural stress/strain relationship under the conditions defined. It applies to a freely supported beam, loaded in three- or four-point flexure. The test geometry is chosen to limit shear deformation and to avoid an interlaminar shear failure.

**NOTE** – The four-point loading geometry provides a constant bending moment between the central loading members. The compressive contact stresses due to the two central loading members are lower in comparison with the stresses induced under the single loading member of the three-point test. The four-point geometry is chosen so that the centre span equals one-third of the outer span. The distance between the outer support points is the same as in the equivalent three-point loading case, therefore the same specimen can be used.