
**Paints and varnishes — Pendulum damping
test**

Peintures et vernis — Essai d'amortissement du pendule



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International Standard ISO 1522, was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 35, *Paints and varnishes*, Subcommittee SC 9, *General test methods for paints and varnishes*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 1522:1973) in which, for both the König and the Persoz pendulum, the time for damping on a polished glass panel has been provided with upper and lower limits. In addition, the standard has been editorially revised.

Annexes A, B and C form an integral part of this International Standard.

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Introduction

Two test procedures have been considered in some detail, namely those of König and Persoz, which are specified respectively by DIN 53157:1987 and NF T 30-016:1991. The instruments embody the same principle — that the amplitude of oscillation of a pendulum touching a surface decreases more rapidly the softer the surface — but differ in respect of dimensions, period and amplitude of oscillation.

The interaction between the pendulum and the paint film is complex, depending as it does on both elastic and viscoelastic properties, and it is not possible to establish a general relationship between results obtained by the two tests. One type of pendulum only must therefore be used in a given series of measurements of damping time.

The following considerations may serve as a guide in considering which pendulum may offer an advantage for a particular purpose:

- a) On surfaces with a low coefficient of friction, the Persoz pendulum may skid, which would invalidate the results; however, this occurs only rarely in the field of paints and varnishes.
- b) It should be noted that both instruments reflect the sensitivity of the physical properties of a paint to its environment, and the test should therefore be conducted under controlled conditions of temperature and humidity and in the absence of draughts. The thickness of the paint film and the nature of the substrate may also affect the damping times.

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1 Scope

This International Standard is one of a series of standards dealing with the sampling and testing of paints, varnishes and related products.

It specifies standard conditions for carrying out a pendulum damping test on a single coating or a multicoat system of paint, varnish or related product.

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.

ISO 1512:1991, *Paints and varnishes — Sampling of products in liquid or paste form.*

ISO 1513:1992, *Paints and varnishes — Examination and preparation of samples for testing.*

ISO 1514:1993, *Paints and varnishes — Standard panels for testing.*

ISO 2808:1997, *Paints and varnishes — Determination of film thickness.*

ISO 3270:1984, *Paints and varnishes and their raw materials — Temperatures and humidities for conditioning and testing.*

ASTM D 4366:1995, *Standard Test Methods for Hardness of Organic Coatings by Pendulum Damping Tests.*

3 Required supplementary information

For any particular application, the test method specified in this International Standard needs to be completed by supplementary information. The items of supplementary information are given in annex A.

4 Principle

A pendulum resting on a coating surface is set into oscillation and the time for the oscillation amplitude to decrease by a specified amount measured. The shorter the damping time, the lower the hardness.