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Foreword

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ISO 1042 was developed by Technical Committee ISO/TC 48, *Laboratory glassware and related apparatus*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Volumetric instruments*.

This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 1042:1983) by incorporating the following changes:

- a) flasks with capacities of 1, 2, 20 and 5 000 ml have been added;
- b) flasks with conical body shape have been added;
- c) flasks with wider neck have been added;
- d) material has been more precisely defined and a test method for capacity introduced;
- e) sizes of ground joints have been added in tables 1 and 2.

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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 narrow-necked class A volumetric flasks has been optimized to achieve the fewest possible acceptable errors.

With the increasing popularity of piston-operated pipettors, there is market pressure for the manufacture of volumetric flasks with wider necks so that pipettor tips may be inserted to remove solution directly. Wide-necked flasks will of necessity be of lower accuracy than the corresponding capacities of narrow-necked flasks and the insertion of any extraneous device may introduce other errors.

It is therefore recommended that narrow-necked class A volumetric flasks are used for the production of standard solutions and where necessary, a suitable quantity should be poured into an intermediate vessel into which the pipettor tip may be introduced.

In accordance with good laboratory practice, only narrow-necked class A volumetric flasks conforming to this International Standard should be used for precise analytical purposes.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for an internationally acceptable series of one-mark volumetric flasks, suitable for general laboratory purposes.

The specifications in this International Standard are in conformity with ISO 384 and with OIML Recommendation No. 4.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through references 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 383:1976, *Laboratory glassware — Interchangeable conical ground joints*.

ISO 719:1985, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 98 °C — Method of test and classification*.

ISO 4787:1984, *Laboratory glassware — Volumetric glassware — Methods for use and testing of capacity*.

3 Basis of adjustment

3.1 Unit of volume

The unit of volume shall be the millilitre (ml) which is equivalent to the cubic centimetre (cm³).

NOTE — The term millilitre (ml) is commonly used as a special name for the cubic centimetre (cm³), in accordance with a decision of the twelfth Conférence Générale des Poids et Mesures. The term millilitre is acceptable. In general, for references in International Standards to capacities of volumetric glassware and it is used, in particular, in the present text.

3.2 Reference temperature

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

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