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Foreword

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Significant technical differences between this edition and EN 12485:2001 are as follows:

- a) addition of a method for determination of sugar-soluble calcium oxide or calcium hydroxide (see 6.6);
- b) addition of a method for determination of solubility index (see 6.11).

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the methods used for the chemical analyses and the determination of physical properties of calcium carbonate, high-calcium lime, half-burnt dolomite, magnesium oxide and calcium magnesium carbonate used to treat water for human consumption.

This document describes the reference methods and, in certain cases, an alternative method which can be considered to be equivalent. In the case of a dispute, only the reference methods are used.

Any other methods may be used provided they are calibrated, either against the reference methods or against internationally accepted reference materials, in order to demonstrate their equivalence.

NOTE Schematic diagrams of the analyses are given in Annex A (Figures A.1 to A.6).

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

EN 459-2, *Building lime — Part 2: Test methods*

EN 1017, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Half-burnt dolomite*

EN 1018, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Calcium carbonate*

EN 12518, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — High-calcium lime*

prEN 16003, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Calcium magnesium carbonate*

prEN 16004, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Magnesium oxide*

EN ISO 3696:1995, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods (ISO 3696:1987)*

ISO 3165, *Sampling of chemical products for industrial use — Safety in sampling*

ISO 4793:1980, *Laboratory sintered (fritted) filters — Porosity grading, classification and designation*

3 General requirements

3.1 Number of determinations

Two analyses shall be carried out to determine the various constituents (see Clause 5 to Clause 8, see also 3.6).

3.2 Methods for analysis

The methods to be used for the analysis of half-burnt dolomite, calcium carbonate, high calcium lime, magnesium oxide and calcium magnesium carbonate and the principle of each method are listed in Table 1.

The requirement values for free MgO and free Mg(OH)₂ in half-burnt dolomite shall be expressed as free MgO in accordance with EN 1017. The same requirement is related to free CaO. The requirement value for MgO in magnesium oxide shall be expressed as MgO in dry substance in accordance with prEN 16004. Therefore,