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#### **NATIONAL FOREWORD**

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#### Käsitlusala:

This standard specifies methods of test to determine the modulus of elasticity, bending strength, density and moisture content of solid wooden poles for overhead transmission and telecommunication lines. It is applicable to both hardwood and softwood poles.

#### Scope:

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#### **Foreword**

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 124 "Structural timber", the secretariat of which is held by DS.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by May 2002, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by May 2002.

This standard includes an informative annex A describing a suitable test method for cantilever bending.

This standard includes a Bibliography.

According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to implement this European Standard: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, "is a provious opposite about 15 Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

#### Introduction

e standa, ic values, r. This standard is one of five standards covering requirements for visual or machine grading, test methods, determination of characteristic values, methods of specifying durability and sizes.

#### 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies methods of test to determine modulus of elasticity, bending strength, density and moisture content of solid wood poles for overhead transmission and telecommunication lines. It is applicable to both hardwood and softwood poles.

This standard covers only single poles under cantilever and/or compression loading. For example, this standard does not cover poles used as beams.

The provision of poles for use in any overhead line or cable infrastructure shall take into account a range of factors not covered by this standard which will necessitate the specification by the end user of complementary and synonymous attributes to those defined in this standard. This refers to requirements for a number of factors including safety, overhead plant, handling, fittings, installation machinery and working practices including climbing.

#### 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 212, Wood Preservatives - Guide to sampling and preparation of wood preservatives and treated timber for analysis.

EN 12465:2001, Wood poles for overhead lines - Durability requirements.

prEN 12479, Wood poles for overhead lines - Sizes - Methods of measurement and limit deviations.

prEN 12510, Wood poles for overhead lines - Strength grading criteria.

ISO 3130, Wood - Determination of moisture content for physical and mechanical tests.

ISO 3131, Wood - Determination of density for physical and mechanical tests.

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following the terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

#### bulk density

mass per unit volume of material, including voids and liquids

#### 3.2

#### dry density

mass of material, dried to constant mass at (103  $\pm$  2)°C, per unit volume of undried materials

#### 3.3

#### minimum diameter

minimum diameter of the pole at the section of measurement

#### 3.4

#### moisture content

ratio of the mass of the quantity of water in a material to the mass of the dry material