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This standard specifies two test methods	This standard specifies two test methods
for determining the refractive index of	for determining the refractive index of
plastics, namely: Method A: Refractive	plastics, namely: Method A: Refractive
method for measuring the refractive index	method for measuring the refractive index
of moulded parts, cast or extruded sheet	of moulded parts, cast or extruded sheet
or film by means of a refractometer.	or film by means of a refractometer.
Method B: Immersion method for	Method B: Immersion method for
determining the refrative index of	determining the refrative index of
powdered or granulated transparent	powdered or granulated transparent
materials by means of a microscope	materials by means of a microscope

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#### Foreword

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Note: Normative references to international publications are listed in Annex ZA (normative).

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### 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies two test methods for determining the refractive index of plastics, namely:

- Method A: a refractometric method for measuring the refractive index of moulded parts, cast or extruded sheet or film, by means of a refractometer. It is applicable not only to isotropic transparent, translucent, coloured or opaque materials but also to anisotropic materials. The method is recommended when great accuracy is required. It is not applicable to powdered or granulated material.
- Method B: an immersion method (making use of the Becke line phenomenon) for determining the refractive index of powdered or granulated transparent materials by means of a microscope. Monochromatic light should, in general, be used to avoid dispersion effects. The accuracy of this method is about the same as that of method A. It is applicable to isotropic translucent, coloured materials but is not applicable to opaque materials nor to anisotropic materials.

NOTE 1 The refractive index is a fundamental property which can be used for checking purity and composition, for the identification of materials and for the design of optical parts. The change in refractive index with temperature may give an indication of transition points of materials.

NOTE 2 The accuracy of method B is approximately the same as that of method A when an experienced operator uses the method with extreme care (see clause 7).

### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 291:1997, Plastics — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing.

ISO 5725-1:1994, Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results — Part 1: General principles and definitions.

ISO 5725-2:1994, Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results — Part 2: Basic method for the determination of repeatability and reproducibility of a standard measurement method.

ISO 5725-3:1994, Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results — Part 3: Intermediate measures of the precision of a standard measurement method.