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## **Foreword**

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard describes the method for determining the particle density of compressed fuels such as pellets or briquettes. Particle density is not an absolute value and conditions for its determination have to be standardised to enable comparative determinations to be made.

## 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 14588, Solid biofuels – Terminology, definitions and descriptions

EN 14961-1, Solid biofuels - Fuel specifications and classes - Part 1: General requirements

EN 14961-3, Solid biofuels – Fuel specifications and classes – Part 3: Wood briquettes for non-industrial use

EN 14778, Solid biofuels - Sampling

EN 14780, Solid biofuels - Sample preparation

EN 14774-1, Solid biofuels – Determination of moisture content – Oven dry method – Part 1: Total moisture – Reference method

EN 14774-2, Solid biofuels – Determination of moisture content – Oven dry method – Part 2: Total moisture – Simplified method

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 14588 apply.

## 4 Principle

Both mass and volume of an individual particle or a group of particles are determined. The volume is measured by determining the buoyancy in a liquid. This procedure follows the physical principle that the buoyancy of a body is equal to the weight of the displaced volume of a liquid. The apparent loss in weight between a measurement in air and a subsequent measurement in liquid marks its buoyancy. The volume of the sample body is calculated via the density of the applied liquid.

NOTE The particle density of briquettes could also be estimated by stereometric means (see informative Annex A). This estimation could also be made if pellets are cut to determine their volume by stereometric means. Be aware of a higher variability between the replications when applying the stereometric measuring principle.

## 5 Reagents

- **5.1** Water with low content of ions (e.g. drinking water quality) in a temperature range of 10 °C to 30 °C
- **5.2** A detergent named O-[4-(1,1,3,3-Tetramethylbutyl)-phenyl]-deca(oxyethylen), Octylphenoldecaethylenglycolether, Polyethylenglycol-mono-[p-(1,1,3,3-tetramethylbutyl)-phenyl]-ether.