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This document is one of a series of European Standards dealing with solid recovered fuel.

EN 15442, Solid recovered fuels — Methods for sampling.

EN 15443, Solid recovered fuels — Methods for the preparation of the laboratory sample.

EN 15413¹⁾, Solid recovered fuels — Methods for the preparation of the test sample from the laboratory sample.

This document differs from CEN/TS 15442:2006 mainly as follows:

- a) results of interlaboratory tests supplemented as an informative Annex F;
- b) whole document editorially revised.

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Introduction

The testing of solid recovered fuel enables informed decisions about their subsequent handling and use. In order to carry out a test on a solid recovered fuel a sample of the material is required. Before any sampling operation is devised it is important that the objectives for sampling are clearly identified and subsequently well executed to ensure that the expectations of any involved parties are recognized and satisfied. The identification of objectives helps to define the level of testing required, e.g. thorough examination or routine testing and in addition desired reliability of testing / assessment and frequency of testing. The sampling objectives, along with the sequence of operations required to fulfill them are detailed in an overall sampling plan. After a sampling plan has been prepared the sampling of solid recovered fuels (SRF's) itself can be implemented.

Figure 1 shows the links between the essential elements of a testing program.

Sampling procedures are provided for a range of process streams and common storage conditions. The sampling technique adopted depends on a combination of different characteristics of the material and circumstances encountered at the sampling location. The determining factors are:

- the type of solid recovered fuel;
- the situation at the sampling location / the way in which the material occurs (e.g. in a stockpile, on a conveyor belt, in a lorry);
- the (expected) degree of heterogeneity (e.g. monostreams, mixed fuels, blended fuels).

This European Standard is primarily geared toward laboratories, producers, suppliers and purchasers of solid recovered fuels, but is also useful for the authorities and inspection organizations.

Standards for sampling of solid biofuels are available from Technical Committee CEN/TC 335 "Solid biofuels" CEN/TR 14589:2003, CEN/TR 15018:2005 and CEN/TR 15310:2006 for the sampling for the purpose of the characterization of waste are available from CEN/TC 292.

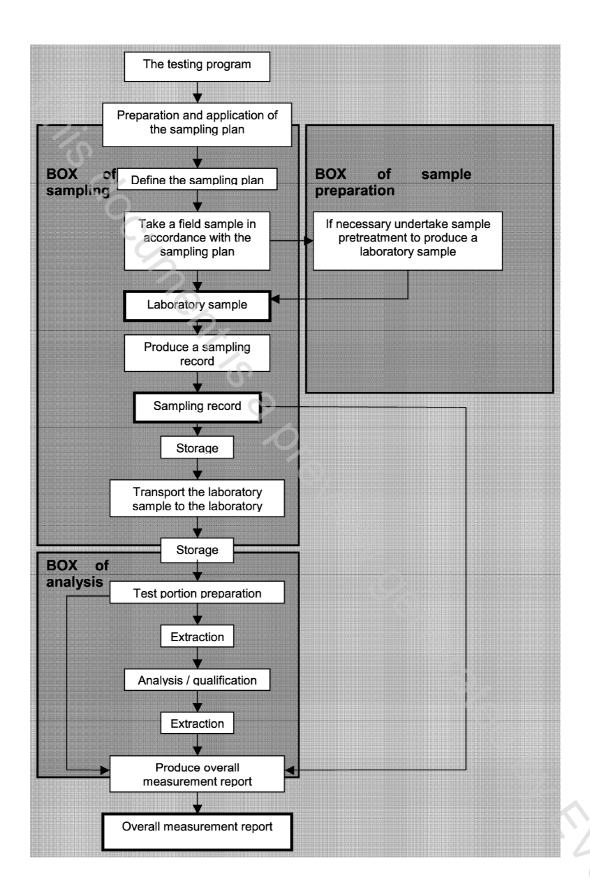


Figure 1 — Links between the essential elements of a testing program

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies methods for taking samples of solid recovered fuels for example from production plants, from deliveries or from stock. It includes manual and mechanical methods.

It is not applicable to solid recovered fuels that are formed by liquid or sludge, but it includes dewatered sludge.

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 15357:2011, Solid recovered fuels — Terminology, definitions and descriptions

CEN/TS 15401:2010, Solid recovered fuels — Determination of bulk density

EN 15413²⁾, Solid recovered fuels — Methods for the preparation of the test sample from the laboratory sample

EN 15415-1²⁾, Solid recovered fuels — Determination of particle size distribution — Part 1: Screen method for small dimension particles

EN 15443, Solid recovered fuels — Methods for the preparation of the laboratory sample

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 15357:2011 and the following apply.

3.1

coefficient of variation

estimate of the standard deviation of a population from a sample of n results divided by the mean of that sample. Frequently stated as a percentage

NOTE Adapted from Eurachem/Citac Guide CG 4 [26].

3.2

duplicate sample

two samples taken under comparable conditions, whereby this selection can be accomplished by taking units adjacent in time or space

NOTE 1 Although the replicate samples are expected to be identical, often the only thing replicated is the act of taking the physical sample.

NOTE 2 A duplicate sample is a replicate sample consisting of two portions.

NOTE 3 The replicate sample is usually used to estimate sample variability.

3.3

effective increment size

minimum sample size divided by the number of increments

²⁾ To be published.