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Foreword

This document (EN 12945:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 260 "Fertilizers and liming materials", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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The following changes have been made to the former edition:

- a) scope modified taking into account that method A is not applicable to liming materials with more than 3 % P_2O_5 and that method B is applicable to all liming materials;
- b) reference to EN 14984 added to the scope and the Bibliography;
- c) 9.2 amended by addition of an instruction concerning the use of correction factors;
- d) optional requirement concerning correction factors added to Clause 11 Test report;
- e) corrigendum EN 12945:2008/AC:2009 included;
- f) editorially revised.

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Introduction

Two different procedures are described (method A and method B) because the titration to pH 7,0 is not applicable to silicate liming materials due to the precipitation of compounds at this pH value.

In method B the turning point at pH 4,8 on the titration curve is taken as the end-point of the titration. For carbonaceous liming materials the difference in the consumption of sodium hydroxide solution for back titration between the titration end-points of pH 4,8 and pH 7,0 is negligible.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies two methods for the determination of the neutralizing value (NV) of liming materials.

Method A is applicable to all liming materials except silicate liming materials.

Method B is applicable to all liming materials.

Both methods do not correctly take into account the potential neutralizing value of material containing more than 3 % P_2O_5 . For a more accurate agronomic assessment of products containing more than 3 % P_2O_5 determine the liming efficiency according to EN 14984.

NOTE The methods described in ISO 6598 [1] and ISO 7497 [2] can be used for the determination of P_2O_5 content. Further information on P analyses is given in [3] and [4].

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 1482-2, *Fertilizers and liming materials — Sampling and sample preparation — Part 2: Sample preparation*

EN 12944-3:2001, *Fertilizers and liming materials — Vocabulary — Part 3: Terms relating to liming materials*

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

ISO 3310-1, *Test sieves — Technical requirements and testing — Part 1: Test sieves of metal wire cloth*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 12944-3:2001 apply.

4 Principle

Dissolution of the sample in a specified quantity of hydrochloric acid standard solution. Determination of the excess acid by back titration with a sodium hydroxide standard solution.

5 Reagents

During the analysis, unless otherwise stated, use only reagents of recognised analytical grade.

NOTE Commercially available solutions can be used.

5.1 Water, according to EN ISO 3696, grade 3.

5.2 Hydrochloric acid standard solution, $c(\text{HCl}) = 0,5 \text{ mol/l}$.

Determine the exact concentration of the solution by titration with sodium hydroxide standard solution (5.3) using phenolphthalein solution (5.4) as indicator. Apply the appropriate correction factor in the calculation of the results (see Clause 9).

5.3 Sodium hydroxide standard solution, $c(\text{NaOH}) = 0,25 \text{ mol/l}$.