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Foreword

This document (EN 15492:2008) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 19 "Gaseous and liquid fuels, lubricants and related products of petroleum, synthetic and biological origin", the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

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The method described in this document is based on a method from a European Regulation on wine [1]. This method has been developed to suit the needs as expressed in the ethanol specification [2], also drafted by CEN/TC 19.

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The precision and the range of application for both inorganic chloride and sulfate have been updated based on a interlaboratory study done by CEN/TC 19/WG 27 on "Elemental analysis". Next, only the analytical water grade required has been updated according to general lab practice.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies an ion chromatographic (IC) method for the determination of the inorganic chloride content in ethanol from 2,0 mg/l to 25,0 mg/l and of the sulfate content in ethanol from 0,9 mg/l to 15,0 mg/l.

NOTE Inorganic chloride content can be determined from 0,8 mg/l to 2,0 mg/l and sulfate content can be determined from 0,4 mg/l to 0,9 mg/l. However, the precision was not established as no samples with chloride and sulfate contents in these ranges were included in the interlaboratory test.

WARNING — Use of this method may involve hazardous equipment, materials and operations. This method does not purport to address to all of the safety problems associated with its use, but it is the responsibility of the user to search and establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

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 ISO 1042, *Laboratory glassware — One-mark volumetric flasks (ISO 1042:1998)*

EN ISO 3170, *Petroleum liquids — Manual sampling (ISO 3170:2004)*

EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods (ISO 3696:1987)*

3 Principle

A test portion of ethanol sample is evaporated on a water bath. The dry residue is dissolved in water. The chloride and sulfate ion contents are determined by comparing the peak area in the chromatogram of the aqueous solution of the test portion with the curve of the calibration standards.

The calibration standards are prepared from suitable compounds in aqueous solution.

4 Reagents

Use only reagents of recognized analytical grade, such as "IC grade", unless otherwise specified.

4.1 Sodium chloride (NaCl), MW 58,44 g/mol.

4.2 Sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4), solution at 0,1 mol/l, of which the concentration is verified by titration, or is certified in case of commercially available product.

4.3 Water, for analytical laboratory use, conforming to grade 2 of EN ISO 3696.

4.4 Eluent compounds:

4.4.1 Sodium carbonate (Na_2CO_3), MW 105,99 g/mol.

4.4.2 Sodium hydrogen carbonate ($NaHCO_3$), MW 84,01 g/mol.

4.4.3 Potassium hydroxide (KOH), MW 56,11 g/mol.