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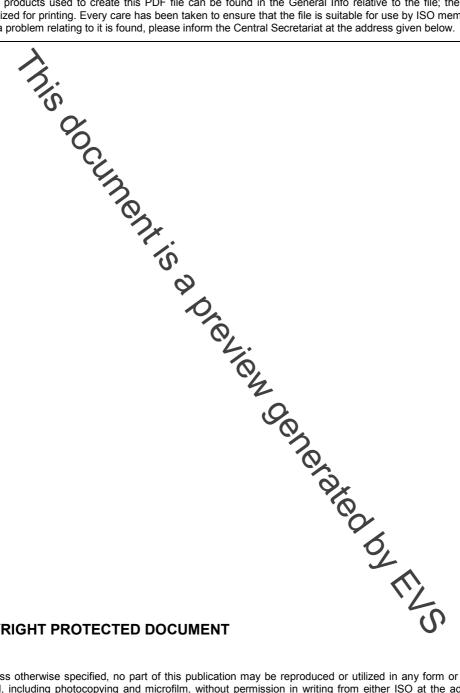


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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first addition (ISO 12742:2000), which has been technically revised.

Introduction

ISO 12742:2000 was published as a guidance document because there had been insufficient test programme participants to allow precision data to be derived. However, it had been agreed that ISO/TC 183/WG 11 be kept in existence, as there was likelihood that a precision test programme could be held at a later time.

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Revision of ISO 12.42 was commenced in 2005, on the basis that changes to the procedure were necessary, and there were tried sufficient participants to allow a test programme to be conducted.

In the final analysis, insufficient participants were identified. However, the International Standard has been revised for a further edition as a guidance document.

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Copper, lead, and zinc sulfide concentrates — Determination of transportable moisture limits — Flow-table method

WARNING — This International Standard may involve hazardous materials, operations and equipment. It is the responsibility of the user of this International Standard to establish appropriate health and safety practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a flow-table method for the determination of the transportable moisture limit (TML) of copper, lead and the sulfide concentrates, which may liquefy during transport.

This International Standard is applicable to the determination of the TML of concentrates containing 10 % to 80 % (mass fraction) of lead, or 10 % to 65 % (mass fraction) of zinc, or 10 % to 55 % (mass fraction) of copper. It is applicable to TMLs in the range 3 % to 28 % (mass fraction).

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.

ISO 10251, Copper, lead, zinc and nickel concentrates — Determination of mass loss of bulk material on drying

ISO 12743, Copper, lead, zinc and nickel concentrates — Sampling procedures for determination of metal and moisture content

3 Principle

The moisture content of the sample is adjusted by mixing with water. The mixture is converted to a conical shape using a mould and tamper. The sample is placed on the flow table and the mould is removed. The flow characteristics are determined by repeated dropping of the flow table, while observing the behaviour of the sample. When sufficient water has been added to the sample so that plastic deformation occurs during the dropping of the flow table, the sample is considered to be at its flow moisture point.

The TML is calculated as 90 % of the flow moisture point.

4 Apparatus

Copper, lead and zinc concentrates may gain or lose moisture rapidly when exposed to air. The laboratory should be designed so that excessive temperatures, direct sunlight, air currents and humidity variations are avoided.

4.1 Flow table and frame, as specified in Annex A.

The flow-table mounting shall be as specified in Figure A.1.

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