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#### **Foreword**

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 194 "Utensils in contact with food", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This standard is one of a series of standards for terminology related to utensils in contact with food stuffs.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by January 1999, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by January 1999.

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#### Introduction

This European Standard defines terms related to materials for non-metallic tableware. The materials comprise three main groups: ceramics, glass and glass ceramics, and plastics. The definitions of articles in contact with foodstuffs are not dealt with as these articles are of quite different nature in the various countries and a harmonization seems to be unnecessary and not feasible. Enamelled articles are also not included because the main part of these articles is of a metallic nature.

The selection of terms for definitions was governed by the needs of customs regulations.

The informative annex A contains a table which summarizes some aspects of the classification of the materials. The aim is to provide a quick survey on those characteristics which are used to distinguish the various materials.

Annex B is an informative annex listing the informative documents.

### 1 Scope

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NOTE: Main tableware articles in contact with foodstuffs are: plates, soup tureens, salad bowls, vegetable dishes and trays of all kinds, "from oven to tableware", coffeepots, teapots, sugar bowls, milk jugs, beer mugs or tankards, cups, sauce-boats, fruit bowls, butter dishes, cruets, salt cellars, mustard pots, and drinking glasses.

#### 2 Normative references

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EN 1184 : 1997 Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs - Test methods for translucency of ceramic articles

EN 1217: 1997 Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs - Test methods for water absorption of ceramic articles

ISO 62: 1980 Plastics - Determination of water absorption

#### 3 Definitions

#### 3.1 Glass

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Inorganic non-metallic material produced by the complete fusion of a mixture of raw materials at high temperature into a homogeneous liquid which is then cooled to a rigid condition essentially without crystallization.

NOTE: Different types of glasses are different in composition. In silicate glass the main constituent is silica.

#### 3.1.2 Soda-lime-silicate glass

Glass in which the main constituents are silica, sodium oxide and calcium oxide.