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Determination of uniaxial compressive  
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## Foreword

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## 1 Scope

This European standard specifies a method for determining the uniaxial compressive strength of natural stones.

## 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 197-1, *Cement – Part 1: Composition, specifications and conformity criteria for common cements*

EN 12390 (all parts), *Testing hardened concrete*

EN 12670:2001 *Natural stone - Terminology*

EN 13383-1:2002, *Armourstone - Part 1: Specification*

## 3 Principle

The specimens, after mechanical preparation of surfaces or, if needed, after capping, are laid and centred on the plate of a testing machine. A uniformly distributed load is applied and increased continuously until failure occurs.

## 4 Terms and Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 12670:2001 apply.

## 5 Symbols

$h$  height of the specimen, in millimetres;

$\bar{l}$  mean value of the lateral dimension, i.e. the distance between opposite vertical faces of the specimen (if cubic), in millimetres;

$\bar{d}$  mean value of the diameter of the specimen (if cylindrical), in millimetres;

$A$  cross-sectional area of the specimen before testing, in square millimetres;

$F$  failure load, in Newtons;

$R$  uniaxial compressive strength of the specimen, in Megapascals;

$\bar{R}$  mean value of the uniaxial compressive strength, in Megapascals;

$s$  standard deviation;

$v$  coefficient of variation.