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Holzwerkstoffe - Bestimmung von Maßänderungen in
Verbindung mit Änderungen der relativen Luftfeuchte

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Foreword

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This document supersedes EN 318:1993.

Compared to the version EN 318:1993 the following modifications have been made:

- a) The scope has been extended from fibre boards to wood-based panels
- b) The conditioning procedure has been modified

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for the determination of dimensional changes in wood-based panels, due to changes in the relative humidity of the air.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 322, *Wood-based panels — Determination of moisture content*.

EN 326-1, *Wood-based panels — Sampling, cutting and inspection — Part 1: Sampling and cutting of test pieces and expression of test results*.

3 Principle

Because variations in relative humidity affect the moisture content of a panel and result in changes to its dimensions, test pieces are measured after conditioning to different levels of relative humidity.

The equilibrium moisture content of panel products is dependent on the history of moisture change. Higher equilibrium moisture contents for any one relative humidity are achieved in desorption compared with adsorption; this gives rise to a hysteresis effect.

In order to obtain the true dimensional change, this is measured between 65 % relative humidity and 85 % relative humidity in adsorption and 65 % relative humidity and 30 % relative humidity in desorption.

4 Apparatus

4.1 Balance

Balance as described in EN 322.

4.2 Measuring instruments for length and thickness

Instruments for measuring length and thickness with an accuracy of $\pm 0,01$ mm. An example of a length measuring equipment is shown in Figure 1.

4.3 Calibration bar

Corrosion resistant metal bar of sufficient length and shape to calibrate the length measuring equipment. The length of the calibration bar shall be known to within 0,01 mm.

4.4 Climate chamber

Climate chamber(s) capable of maintaining the required temperature to ± 1 °C and relative humidity to ± 3 %.