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## European foreword

This document (EN 12350-7:2019) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 104 "Concrete and related products", the secretariat of which is held by SN.

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The results of a laboratory inter-comparison, in part funded by the EC under Measurement and Testing Programme, Contract MAT1-CT-94-0043 which investigated these two methods of measuring air content, did not find significant difference between them. However, it was found in this programme that the use of an internal vibrator to compact specimens of air entrained fresh concrete should only be done with caution, if loss of entrained air is to be avoided.

The determination of the aggregate correction value for the two methods has been included in normative Annexes A and B.

The method of calibrating the two types of apparatus has been included in normative Annexes C and D.

This standard is one of a series on testing concrete.

EN 12350, *Testing fresh concrete*, consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: Sampling and common apparatus*
- *Part 2: Slump test*
- *Part 3: Vebé test*
- *Part 4: Degree of compactability*
- *Part 5: Flow table test*
- *Part 6: Density*
- *Part 7: Air content – Pressure methods*
- *Part 8: Self-compacting concrete – Slump-flow test*
- *Part 9: Self-compacting concrete – V-funnel test*
- *Part 10: Self-compacting concrete – L-box test*
- *Part 11: Self-compacting concrete – Sieve segregation test*
- *Part 12: Self-compacting concrete – J-ring test*

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- a) editorial revisions;
- b) reference to common apparatus and specification given in EN 12350-1.

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## 1 Scope

This document describes two methods for determination of air content of compacted fresh concrete, made with normal weight or relatively dense aggregate and having a declared value of  $D$  of the coarsest fraction of aggregates actually used in the concrete ( $D_{\max}$ ) not greater than 63 mm.

The test is not suitable for concretes with slumps less than 10 mm according to EN 12350-2.

Neither method is applicable to concretes made with lightweight aggregates, air cooled blast-furnace slag, or aggregates with high porosity, because of the magnitude of the aggregate correction factor, compared with the entrained air content of the concrete.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 12350-1, *Testing fresh concrete — Part 1: Sampling and common apparatus*

EN 12350-2, *Testing fresh concrete — Part 2: Slump test*

EN 12350-6, *Testing fresh concrete — Part 6: Density*

## 3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

## 4 Principles

### 4.1 General

There are two test methods, both of which use apparatus which employ the principle of Boyle-Mariotte's law. For the purpose of reference, the two methods are referred to as the water column method and the pressure gauge method and the apparatus as a water column meter and a pressure gauge meter.

If the concrete is sampled and tested at different locations, the procedure for filling and compacting the concrete in the air test container shall be the same irrespective of the method used.

### 4.2 Water column method

Water is introduced to a predetermined height above a sample of compacted concrete of known volume in a sealed air test container and a predetermined air pressure is applied over the water. The reduction in volume of the air in the concrete sample is measured by observing the amount by which the water level is lowered, the water column being calibrated in terms of percentage of air in the concrete sample.

### 4.3 Pressure gauge method

A known volume of air at a known pressure is merged in a sealed air test container with the unknown volume of air in the concrete sample. The dial on the pressure gauge is calibrated in terms of percentage of air for the resulting pressure.