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Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of long-term water absorption by immersion

1 Scope

This document specifies the equipment and procedures for determining the long-term water absorption of test specimens. It is applicable to thermal insulating products.

This document specifies two methods:

- Method 1: Partial immersion;
- Method 2: Total immersion.

The long-term water absorption by partial immersion is intended to simulate the water absorption caused by long-term water exposure.

The long-term water absorption by total immersion is not directly related to the conditions on site, but has been recognized as a relevant condition of test for some products in some applications.

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.

ISO 29768, *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of linear dimensions of test specimens*

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
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4 Principle

4.1 Method 1: Partial immersion

The long-term water absorption by partial immersion is determined by measuring the change in mass of a test specimen, the lower part of which is in contact with water for a period of 28 days.

The excess water adhering to the surface, not absorbed by the test specimen, is removed by drainage in method 1A or taken into account by deduction of the initial water uptake in method 1B.