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Foreword

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- changes in the sizes and measurements of test pieces.

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Introduction

The main purpose of this document is to establish the common international point of member countries of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), concerning testing methods for small clear wood specimens and general requirements for determining physical and mechanical properties of wood.

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Physical and mechanical properties of wood — Test methods for small clear wood specimens —

Part 13: Determination of radial and tangential shrinkage

1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the determination of linear shrinkage in the radial and tangential directions of wood.

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 3129, *Wood — Sampling methods and general requirements for physical and mechanical testing of small clear wood specimens*

ISO 24294, *Timber — Round and sawn timber — Vocabulary*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 24294 apply.

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

4 Principle

The linear shrinkage is determined by measuring dimensions of a test piece in radial and tangential directions of wood before and after drying to a constant mass. The linear shrinkage is calculated as the change of the dimension in given direction expressed as a percentage of the original dimension. The initial measurements shall be taken on test pieces in green or fully saturated condition. The final measurements shall be taken on test pieces in oven-dry state.

5 Apparatus

5.1 Measuring instruments, capable of determining dimensions of the test piece to the nearest 0,02 mm, fitted with parallel flat ends each of diameter 5 mm to 8 mm, and applying a clamping force which will not cause any deformation greater than the precision of the instrument.

5.2 Forced convection oven that can be maintained at a temperature of (103 ± 2) °C throughout the drying chamber for the time required to dry the specimen to the end point shall be used. The oven shall be vented to allow the evaporated moisture to escape.