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## Foreword

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- a) for thickness measurement in 4.1 measuring surface diameter changed from  $(16 \pm 1)$  mm to 15 mm to 20 mm;
- b) for length and width measurement in 4.2 minimum measuring surface width changed from 5 mm to 3 mm.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for measuring the thickness, length and width of test pieces of wood-based panels.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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

## 3 Principles

The length and width of test pieces are determined by linear measurement.

## 4 Apparatus

### 4.1 Instrument for thickness measurement

Micrometer, or similar measuring instrument, having flat and parallel circular measuring surfaces of 15 mm to 20 mm diameter and an operation force of  $(4 \pm 1)$  N. The graduation of the apparatus shall allow a reading to 0,01 mm.

### 4.2 Instrument for length and width measurement

Sliding calliper, or any other instrument with measuring surfaces of at least 3 mm width, graduated to allow a reading to 0,1 mm.

## 5 Test pieces

### 5.1 Sampling and cutting

Carry out the sampling and cutting in accordance with EN 326-1.

### 5.2 Dimensions

The dimensions of the test pieces shall be in accordance with those specified in the relevant test method.

### 5.3 Conditioning

The test pieces shall be conditioned to constant mass in an atmosphere with a relative humidity of  $(65 \pm 5)$  % and a temperature of  $(20 \pm 2)$  °C. Constant mass is considered to be reached when the results of two successive weighing operations, carried out at an interval of 24 h, do not differ by more than 0,1 % of the mass of the test piece.