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## Introduction

The measurement of the pH value of water is of great importance for many types of sample. High and low pH values are toxic for aquatic organisms, either directly or indirectly. The pH value is the most useful parameter in assessing the corrosive properties of an aquatic environment. Also, it is important for the effective operation of water treatment processes and their control (e.g. flocculation and chlorine disinfection), control of plumbosolvency of drinking waters and biological treatment of sewage and sewage discharges.

The electrometric methods addressed in this International Standard are based on measuring the potential difference of an electrochemical cell where one of the two half-cells is a measuring electrode and the other is a reference electrode. The potential of the measuring electrode is a function of the hydrogen ion activity of the measuring solution (Reference [5]).

In view of its great practical importance, universality and exactitude, only measuring using the pH glass electrode is described in this International Standard.

In the reference electrode, electrolytes applied can be in liquid, polymer or gel form.

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**IMPORTANT** — It is absolutely essential that tests conducted according to this International Standard be carried out by suitably trained staff.

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determining the pH value in rain, drinking and mineral waters, bathing waters, surface and ground waters, as well as municipal and industrial waste waters, and liquid sludge, within the range pH 2 to pH 12 with an ionic strength below  $I = 0,3$  mol/kg (conductivity:  $\gamma_{25}^{\circ\text{C}} < 2\,000$  mS/m) solvent and in the temperature range 0 °C to 50 °C.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods*

ISO 4796-2, *Laboratory glassware — Bottles — Part 2: Conical neck bottles*

ISO 5667-3, *Water quality — Sampling — Part 3: Guidance on the preservation and handling of water samples*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1

#### pH

measure of the activity of hydrogen ions in solution

NOTE 1 Adapted from ISO 80000-9 [1].

NOTE 2 Whether a reaction is acid or alkaline is determined by the activity of the hydrogen ions present.

### 3.2

#### pH value

logarithm to the base 10 of the ratio of the molar hydrogen-ion activity ( $a_{\text{H}}$ ) multiplied by  $-1$

$$\text{pH} = -\lg a_{\text{H}} = -\lg(m_{\text{H}} \gamma_{\text{H}} / m^{\circ}) \quad (1)$$