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## European foreword

This document (EN 12662-1:2024) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 19 “Gaseous and liquid fuels, lubricants and related products of petroleum, synthetic and biological origin”, the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

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In comparison with the previous edition, the following technical modifications have been made:

- split of the scope of the previous edition in two parts, with Part 1 covering the middle distillates and the diesel fuels containing up to 30 % (V/V) of fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) in this document and with Part 2 covering the neat FAME in a separated document;
- update of the precision data following a new statistical analysis [6] of the interlaboratory tests data available without the FAME samples according to EN ISO 4259-1:2017 [4].

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## Introduction

Excessive contamination in a fuel system can give rise to premature blocking of filters and/or hardware failure, and is therefore undesirable. The determination of the content of undissolved substances, referred to as total contamination, is a way to control this issue.

In the previous version of this method, the scope was covering middle distillates, diesel fuels containing up to 30 % (V/V) of FAME and neat FAME. It was found that the improvement sought in 2014, give problems in the lab in testing FAME and correlate the results to those obtained with the previous version of the method. A solution has been found, which resulted in splitting the methodology in two parts: to include the previous version as Part 1 and to develop a separate standard for neat FAME as Part 2.

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the determination of the content of undissolved substances, referred to as total contamination, in middle distillates, in diesel fuels containing up to 30 % (V/V) fatty acid methyl esters (FAME). The working range is from 12 mg/kg to 26 mg/kg and it was established in an interlaboratory study by applying EN ISO 4259-1 [4].

This document in general is applicable to products having a kinematic viscosity not exceeding 8 mm<sup>2</sup>/s at 20 °C, or 5 mm<sup>2</sup>/s at 40 °C.

This test method can be used for paraffinic diesel fuels as specified in EN 15940, for diesel fuels containing more than 30 % (V/V) FAME and for petroleum products having a kinematic viscosity exceeding 8 mm<sup>2</sup>/s at 20 °C, or 5 mm<sup>2</sup>/s at 40 °C, however in such cases the precision of the test method has not been determined.

**NOTE** For the purposes of this document, the term “% (V/V)” is used to represent the volume fraction,  $\phi$ , of a material.

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## 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 14275, *Automotive fuels — Assessment of petrol and diesel fuel quality — Sampling from retail site pumps and commercial site fuel dispensers*

EN ISO 3170, *Petroleum liquids — Manual sampling (ISO 3170)*

EN ISO 3171, *Petroleum liquids — Automatic pipeline sampling (ISO 3171)*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

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

### 3.1

#### **total contamination**

undissolved substances retained on a filter after filtration under test conditions

### 3.2

#### **absolute pressure**

pressure measured relative to zero pressure or a total vacuum