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Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 16994:2016), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- Fluorine and bromine are added to the scope and calculation in [9.2](#)
- Normative references are updated
- Update of the detection methods and more details about the techniques
- The decomposition method with acid digestion and ICP for chlorine is removed