



Method for Measuring Performance of Household Trash Compactors

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PREFACE

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This standard contains test procedures which may be applied to any brand or model of trash compactor for measuring performance. Results of tests in accordance with this standard may be publicly stated.

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