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## Part 2: Requirements and test methods for class A, B and S coatings

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## Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 129, Glass in building, the Secretariat of which is held by IBN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by July 2001, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by July 2001.

This European Standard includes the following parts:

Part 1: Definitions and classification

Part 2: Requirements and test methods for class A, B and S coatings

Part 3: Requirements and test methods for class C and D coatings

Part 4: Evaluation of conformity

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies requirements and test methods related to artificial weathering and abrasion of coatings on-glass for use in buildings.

These tests are aimed at evaluating the resistance of the coating to attack by simulated natural weathering conditions as well as to abrasion.

This European Standard applies to Class A, B and S coatings, as defined in EN 1096-1.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. The normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 1096-1, *Glass in building — Coated glass — Part 1: Definitions and classification*.

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard the following terms and definitions apply:

### 3.1

#### **coated annealed glass**

coated glass which has an annealed glass substrate

### 3.2

#### **toughened or heat strengthened coated glass**

coated glass which has to be toughened or heat strengthened to meet its final spectrophotometric properties

### 3.3

#### **coated toughened or heat strengthened glass**

coated glass which has a toughened or heat strengthened glass substrate

## 4 Requirements

The coated glass complying to this European Standard shall respect the requirements related to the different characteristics given in Table 1.

**Table 1 — Requirements**

| Characteristics               | Test Method | Requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                               |             | Visual Inspection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Spectrophotometric measurements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Condensation resistance       | Annex B     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— No defect, as defined in EN 1096-1, greater than 3 mm length</li> <li>— Maximum one defect between 2 mm and 3 mm length</li> <li>— Maximum five defects between 1 mm and 2 mm length</li> </ul> <p>In addition, no scratches, staining of the coating or clusters of pinholes greater than 1 mm shall be allowed (see EN 1096-1).</p> <p>When compared with the reference test piece, in both reflection and transmission, there shall be no significant colour change. This observation shall be made within 20 s<sup>a</sup>.</p> | <p>The transmittance measured at 550 nm and 900 nm shall differ by no more than <math>\pm 0,03</math> from the corresponding measured value on the reference test piece.</p> <p>For a glass claimed to have a low emissivity coating the reflectance at 8 <math>\mu\text{m}</math> shall decrease by no more than 0,02.</p> |
| Acid resistance               | Annex C     | No requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Neutral salt spray resistance | Annex D     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— No defect, as defined in EN 1096-1, greater than 3 mm length</li> <li>— Maximum one defect between 2 mm and 3 mm length</li> <li>— Maximum five defects between 1 mm and 2 mm length</li> </ul> <p>In addition, no scratches, staining of the coating or clusters of pinholes greater than 1 mm shall be allowed (see EN 1096-1).</p> <p>When compared with the reference test piece, in both reflection and transmission, there shall be no significant colour change. This observation shall be made within 20 s<sup>a</sup>.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Abrasion resistance           | Annex E     | No requirement other than to ensure that the abraded area is uniform                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Total (diffuse plus direct) transmittance measured at 550 nm and 900 nm shall differ by no more than $\pm 0,05$ from the corresponding value measured for the reference test piece.                                                                                                                                         |

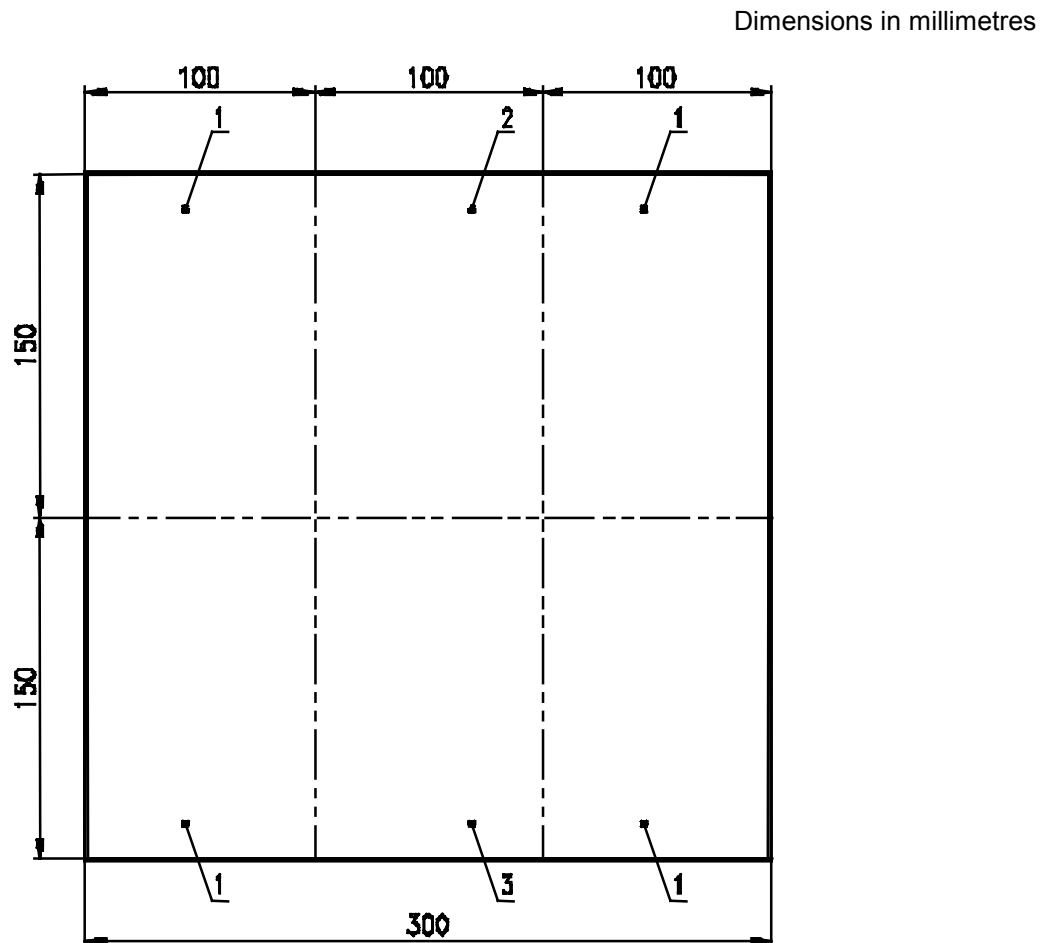
<sup>a</sup> The time for observation is fixed to 20 s in order to have a reference period which can influence the visual inspection.

## 5 Samples and test pieces

### 5.1 Preparation

#### 5.1.1 Coated annealed glass

A sample of 300 mm x 300 mm is needed for each test. For the three chemical durability tests, the test pieces are obtained by cutting the sample as shown in Figure 1. The abrasion test is undertaken on a 300 mm x 300 mm test piece. It is recommended that a spare sample be supplied in the event of one sample not being defect free.



#### Key

- 1 Test pieces
- 2 Reference test piece for visual inspection
- 3 Reference test piece for spectrophotometric measurement

**Figure 1 — Plan for cutting a sample into test pieces**

#### 5.1.2 Toughened or heat strengthened coated glass

As the test pieces cannot be cut from test samples, a special procedure has to be employed to obtain the test pieces (see annex A).

#### 5.1.3 Coated toughened or heat strengthened glass

Use coated annealed glass samples for testing this type of coated glass.

## 5.2 Storage

The test pieces shall be stored inside a room at a temperature of  $(23 \pm 5)^{\circ}\text{C}$  with a relative humidity less than 80 %. Storage shall prevent dust, chemicals or condensation reacting with the test pieces. The test pieces shall not be stored for more than three months before performing the test.

## 5.3 Marking

The test pieces shall be marked on the uncoated glass surface. The following information shall be marked:

- manufacturers coating reference
- test pieces number 1 to 4
- code for test

Glasses with coating on both surfaces shall be marked without damaging the coating. The two reference test pieces shall be marked as the test pieces plus “ref”.

## 6 Initial evaluation of test pieces

### 6.1 Preparation

All test pieces shall be cleaned with demineralized water and with a soft tissue. Drying shall also be done with a soft tissue. If necessary this cleaning procedure can be repeated.

### 6.2 Visual inspection

The test pieces shall be subjected to a visual inspection under an artificial sky in accordance with EN 1096-1. The inspection shall take place in both transmission and reflection.

The test pieces shall be observed at a distance of 600 mm. All test pieces shall be defect free. No scratches or pinholes shall be observed. If a test piece contains defects it shall be replaced.

NOTE The replacement of test pieces is to avoid any misinterpretation of the testing results.

### 6.3 Spectrophotometric measurements

#### 6.3.1 Coated annealed glass

A measurement sample shall be cut from the centre of the reference test piece. The actual size shall be dependent on the type of equipment being used for the measurements. The transmittance of the measurement sample shall be measured with radiation of normal incidence at the following wavelengths:

- 550 nm (representative wavelength for light and solar transmittance);
- 900 nm (representative wavelength for solar transmittance).

For glass claiming to have a low emissivity coating a measurement of the reflectance shall be made at  $8\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  using radiation of nearly normal incidence.

#### 6.3.2 Toughened or heat strengthened coated glass

As the measurement sample cannot be cut from the reference test piece, a special procedure has to be employed to make the measurement (see annex A).