

Plastics and ebonite — Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness)

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National foreword

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Cross-references

International Standard	Corresponding British Standard
ISO 291:1977	BS 2782 <i>Methods of testing plastics</i> Part 0:1982 <i>Introduction</i> (Appendix A is identical)
ISO 7619:1986	BS 903 <i>Physical testing of rubber</i> Part A57:1989 <i>Determination of indentation hardness by means of pocket hardness meters</i> (Identical)

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