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## Part 2: Detection media

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## Foreword

This document EN ISO 9934-2:2002 has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 138 "Non-destructive testing", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR, in collaboration with Technical Committee ISO/TC 135 "Non-destructive testing".

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2003, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by June 2003.

Annexes A, B and C are normative

This standard consists of the following parts:

EN ISO 9934-1, *Non-destructive testing - Magnetic particle testing - Part 1: General principle (ISO 9934-1:2001)*.

EN ISO 9934-2, *Non-destructive testing - Magnetic particle testing - Part 2: Detection media (ISO 9934-2:2002)*.

EN ISO 9934-3, *Non-destructive testing - Magnetic particle testing - Part 3: Equipment (ISO 9934-3:2002)*.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the significant properties of magnetic particle testing products (including magnetic ink, powder, carrier liquid, contrast aid paints) and the methods for checking their properties.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These 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 1330-1, *Non destructive testing - Terminology - Part 1: List of general terms.*

EN 1330-2, *Non destructive testing - Terminology - Part 2: Terms common to the non-destructive testing methods.*

EN 10083-1, *Quenched and tempered steels - Part 1: Technical delivery conditions for special steels.*

EN 10204, *Metallic products - Types of inspection documents.*

EN 12157, *Rotodynamic pumps - Coolant pumps units for machine tools - Nominal flow rate, dimensions.*

EN ISO 2160, *Petroleum products - Corrosiveness to copper - Copper strip test (ISO 2160:1998).*

EN ISO 3059, *Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing and magnetic particle testing - Viewing conditions (ISO 3059:2001).*

EN ISO 3104, *Petroleum products - Transparent and opaque liquids - Determination of kinematic viscosity and calculation of dynamic viscosity (ISO 3104:1994).*

EN ISO 9934-1, *Non-destructive testing - Magnetic particle testing - Part 1: General principle (ISO 9934-1:2001).*

EN ISO 9934-3, *Non-destructive testing - Magnetic particle testing - Part 3: Equipment (ISO 9934-3:2002).*

prEN ISO 12707, *Non-destructive testing - Terminology - Terms used in magnetic particle testing (ISO/DIS 12707:2000).*

ISO 2591-1, *Test sieving - Part 1: Methods using test sieves of woven wire cloth and perforated metal plate.*

ISO 4316, *Surface active agents - Determination of pH of aqueous solutions - Potentiometric method.*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the terms and definitions given in EN 1330-1, EN 1330-2 and prEN ISO 12707 together with the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **batch**

quantity of material produced during one manufacturing operation having uniform properties throughout and with a unique identifying number or mark

## 4 Safety precautions

The materials used in magnetic particle inspection and those used in their testing include chemicals that can be harmful, flammable and/or volatile. All necessary precautions should be observed. All relevant regulations, including national and local regulations pertaining to health and safety, anti-pollution requirements etc., shall be observed.

## 5 Classification

### 5.1 General

The magnetic particle materials covered by this specification shall be classified as follows.

### 5.2 Magnetic inks

Magnetic inks shall consist of finely divided coloured or fluorescent magnetic particles in a suitable carrier liquid. They shall form a uniform suspension when agitated.

Magnetic inks may be produced from products supplied as concentrates, including paste and powders, or ready for use.

### 5.3 Powders

Powders for the dry technique shall consist of finely divided coloured and/or fluorescent magnetic particles.

## 6 Testing and test certificate

### 6.1 Type testing and batch testing

Type testing and batch testing of magnetic particle materials shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of EN ISO 9934-1, EN ISO 9934-2, and EN ISO 9934-3.

Type testing is carried out in order to demonstrate suitability of a product for the intended use. Batch testing is carried out in order to demonstrate conformity of the characteristics of a batch to the product type specified.

The supplier shall provide a test certificate showing compliance with this standard having used the methods detailed. This certificate shall include results obtained and tolerances allowed.

If any changes are made to the detection media, then a new type test shall be performed.

### 6.2 In service testing

In service testing is carried out to demonstrate the continued performance of the detection media.

## 7 Requirements and test methods

### 7.1 Performance

#### 7.1.1 Type testing and batch testing

Type testing and batch testing shall be carried out according to annex A using the reference blocks types 1 or 2 as described in annex B.

### 7.1.2 In service testing

In service testing shall be carried out according to annex A using one of the reference blocks types 1 or 2 as described in annex B or a test block which exhibit similar discontinuities to those normally found in components typically processed in the equipment.

### 7.1.3 Contrast aid paints

Type testing and batch testing shall be carried out according to 7.1.1 after having applied the paint in accordance with the manufacturer instructions and using a type test approved, compatible magnetic ink.

## 7.2 Colour

The colour of magnetic particles detection media under working conditions shall be stated by the supplier.

The colour of the batch test sample shall not differ from the colour of the type test sample when visually compared.

## 7.3 Particle size

### 7.3.1 Method

The method for determination of particle size is dependent on the range of the particle size distribution.

NOTE For magnetic inks the particle-size-distribution can be determined by the Coulter Method or an equivalent method (see Bibliography).

### 7.3.2 Definition of the particle size

The range of particle size shall be as follows:

- lower diameter  $d_l$ : no more than 10 % of the particles shall be smaller than  $d_l$ ;
- average diameter  $d_a$ : 50 % of the particles shall be larger and 50 % smaller than  $d_a$ ;
- upper diameter  $d_u$ : no more than 10 % of the particles shall be larger than  $d_u$ .

### 7.3.3 Requirements

$d_l$ ,  $d_a$  and  $d_u$  shall be reported. For magnetic inks sizes shall lie in the range  $d_l \geq 1,5 \mu\text{m}$  and  $d_u \leq 40 \mu\text{m}$ .

NOTE For powders  $d_l$  is generally  $\geq 40 \mu\text{m}$ .

## 7.4 Temperature resistance

There shall be no degradation of the product after 5 minutes heating at the maximum temperature specified by the supplier. This shall be verified by repeating the performance test as specified in 7.1.1.

## 7.5 Fluorescent coefficient and fluorescent stability

To carry out these tests it is necessary to use dry powder. For magnetic inks the magnetic particle solid content shall be used.

### 7.5.1 Type testing

#### 7.5.1.1 Method

The fluorescent coefficient in cd/W is defined as follows:

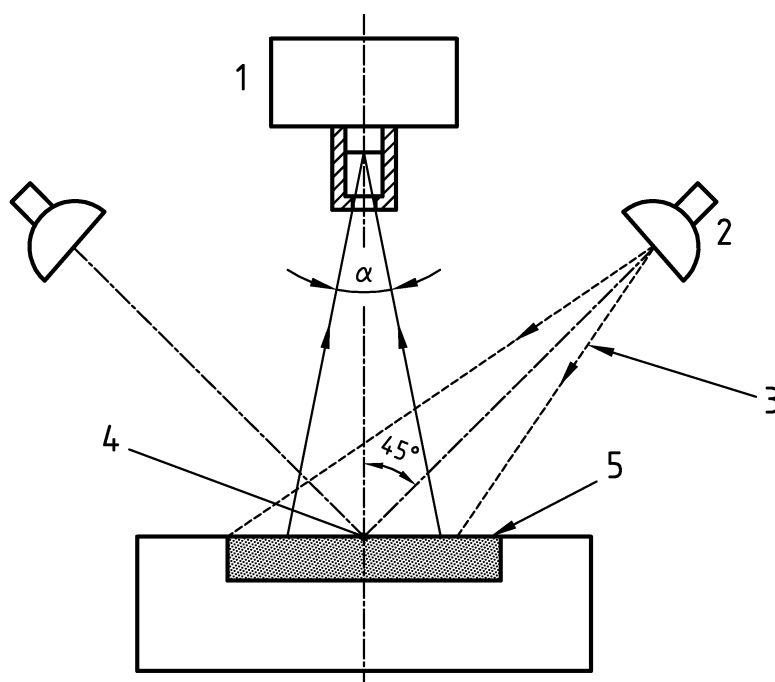
$$= L/E_e$$

where  $L$  = luminance in  $\text{cd/m}^2$  of a plane powder surface;

$E_e$  = level of UV-irradiance in  $\text{W/m}^2$  at the surface of the powder.

The arrangement of the apparatus used is shown in Figure 1.

The powder surface shall be evenly irradiated with UV(A) at an angle of  $45^\circ$  ( $\pm 5^\circ$ ). Luminance shall be measured with a suitable meter with an accuracy of  $\pm 10\%$ . It shall measure the luminance from the powder surface and be unaffected by areas outside of the target area. The level of irradiance shall be measured with a meter conforming to EN ISO 3059 with its UV sensor replacing the powder surface.



### Key

- 1 Measurement of luminance
- 2 Lamp
- 3 UV radiation
- 4 Measurement point of the irradiance
- 5 Powder surface

**Figure 1 - Determination of the fluorescent coefficient for magnetic particles**

**NOTE** A recommended arrangement is using a luminance meter with a  $200 \text{ cd/m}^2$  range and a viewing angle ( $\alpha$ ) of  $20^\circ$  placed 80 mm above the plane powder surface, diameter 40 mm. UV (A) lamps are placed so as to give an even irradiance at the powder surface, with  $E_e$  between  $10 \text{ W/m}^2$  and  $15 \text{ W/m}^2$ .

### 7.5.1.2 Requirements

The fluorescent coefficient ( $\alpha$ ) shall be greater than 1,5  $\text{cd/W}$ .

### 7.5.1.3 Fluorescence stability

The sample shall first be tested according to the method described in 7.5.1.1.