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filtrering genom glasfiberfilter**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This document describes a method for the determination of suspended solids in raw waters, waste waters and effluents by filtration through glass fibre filters. The lower limit of the determination is about 2 mg/l. No upper limit has been established.

Water samples are not always stable which means that the content of suspended solids depends on storage time, means of transportation, pH value and other circumstances. Results obtained with unstable samples need to be interpreted with caution.

Floating oil and other immiscible organic liquids will interfere (see Annex A).

Samples containing more than about 1 000 mg/l of dissolved solids can require special treatment (8.6).

NOTE 1 The result of the determination depends to some extent on the type of filter used (5.2). It is therefore recommended that the type of filter is specified.

NOTE 2 The size distribution of particles in different samples can vary widely. Therefore there is no correlation between results obtained with filters of different pore width and no conversion factor can be given for the conversion of results obtained with one type of filter to another.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 25667-2:1993, *Water quality — Sampling — Part 2: Guidance on sampling techniques (ISO 5667-2:1991)*.

EN ISO 5667-3, *Water quality — Sampling — Part 3: Guidance on the preservation and handling of samples (ISO 5667-3:2003)*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

suspended solids

solids removed by filtration under specified conditions

3.2

dissolved solids

substances remaining, after filtration and evaporation to dryness of a sample, under specified conditions

[4.25.1 of ISO 6107-2:1997]

4 Principle

Using a vacuum or pressure filtration apparatus the sample is filtered through a glass fibre filter. The filter is then dried at $105\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$ and the mass of the residue retained on the filter is determined by weighing.