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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by the Technical Committee CEN/TC 193, Adhesives, the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for determining the tensile lap-shear strength of rigid-to-rigid bonded assemblies when tested on a standard specimen and under specified conditions of preparation and testing.

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated references, 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.

ISO 291 : 1977	<i>Plastics — Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing</i>
ISO 527-1	<i>Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 1: General principles¹⁾</i>
ISO 3534 : 1977	<i>Statistics — Vocabulary and symbols</i>
ISO 4588	<i>Adhesives — Preparation of metal surfaces for adhesive bonding²⁾</i>
ISO 10365 : 1992	<i>Adhesives — Designation of main failure patterns</i>

3 Principle

Adhesive lap-shear bond strength is determined by stressing in shear of a single overlap joint (see figure 1) between rigid adherends by applying to the adherends a tensile force which is parallel to the bond area and to the major axis of the specimen. The reported result is the observed force or stress at rupture.

4 Apparatus

4.1 Testing machine, so selected that the rupture of the specimen falls between 10 % and 80 % of the full-scale capacity. In addition, the response time of the machine shall be short enough not to affect the accuracy with which the force applied at the time of rupture can be measured. The recorded force shall not differ from the true applied force by more than 1 %. The machine shall be capable of applying a tensile force that increases at a steady rate (see note 1). It shall be provided with a suitable pair of self-aligning grips to hold the specimen. The grips and attachments (see note 2) shall be so constructed that they will move into alignment with the test specimen as soon as the load is applied, so that the long axis of the test specimen will coincide with the direction of the applied force through the centre line of the grip assembly.

NOTE 1. Where equipment does not allow for constant rate of load application, a rate of jaw separation shall be used which approximates the rate of loading (see ISO 527-1).

NOTE 2. Grips that operate by bolting through the adherends shall be avoided since such grips give rise to undesirable stress concentration.

4.2 Jig, for accurately locating adherends during bonding.

5 Specimens

5.1 Unless otherwise specified, test specimens shall conform to the form, dimensions, and alignment as shown in the figure 1. The recommended length (L) of overlap is $(12,5 \pm 0,25)$ mm.

NOTE 1. The choice of dimensions other than those shown in the figure may result in difficulties in the interpretation of results.

NOTE 2. This overlap is intended for aluminium alloys and materials of similar or higher moduli of elasticity (E) and tensile yield strength.

Example. For AA 2024-T3 or AECMA AL-P 13 PL (T3): $E = 68\,000$ MPa

Tensile yield strength at 0,2 % offset = 290 MPa.

5.2 The test joints may be prepared either individually or from slotted or unslotted panels (see figure 1). Each method is equally suitable either for development or for comparative tests. If strength values are to be determined for design calculations of flat bonded joints, it is preferable to prepare the test joints from unslotted panels. In choosing the type of preparation, account should also be taken of whether the test joint will be damaged by mechanical working. Special care shall be taken in preparing individual specimens to ensure proper alignment and that bond thicknesses are as uniform as possible.

¹⁾ At present at the stage of draft international standard (revision of ISO/R 527-1 : 1966).

²⁾ Revision in progress.

5.3 The adherend surface shall be properly treated to obtain an optimum bond. Surface treatments shall be in accordance with manufacturers' instructions or the appropriate European Standard. The adhesive shall be applied and cured according to the recommendations of the manufacturer of the adhesive. In the absence of such recommendations, the procedure shall be such as to achieve an optimum bond with minimum variations. In any case, the use of a jig to ensure the correct overlap and accurate alignment of the adherends is recommended.

If metallic adherends are used, the surfaces shall be prepared according to ISO 4588 unless otherwise specified. For all adherends the method used for surface preparation shall be reported.

5.4 The number of test specimens will depend on the precision required, but reliance should not be placed on fewer than six observations.

6 Conditioning and testing atmosphere

The test specimens shall be conditioned and tested in one of the standard laboratory atmospheres specified in ISO 291.

7 Procedure

Locate the test specimen symmetrically in the grips, with each grip (50 ± 1) mm from the nearest edge of the overlap. A shim may be used in the grips so that the applied force will be in the plane of the adhesive bond.

Operate the machine so that the stress or strain on the test joint increases at a constant (i.e. steady) rate. This rate shall be such that the average joint will be broken in a period of (65 ± 20) s.

Record the highest force during rupture as the breaking force of that specimen. Results from test specimens that rupture in the adherend shall be discarded except for routine testing.

8 Expression of results

Express the results of the tests as the arithmetic mean and coefficient of variation of the breaking force in newtons or the breaking stress in megapascals of the valid test specimens.

NOTE. It is suggested that the following criteria for repeatability and reproductibility should normally be observed for test results obtained using this European Standard:

a) the repeatability (see ISO 3534) (i.e. the difference between any two breaking forces obtained with one sample of adhesive by the same operator in a given test room or laboratory) should be less than 2,5 times the standard deviation.

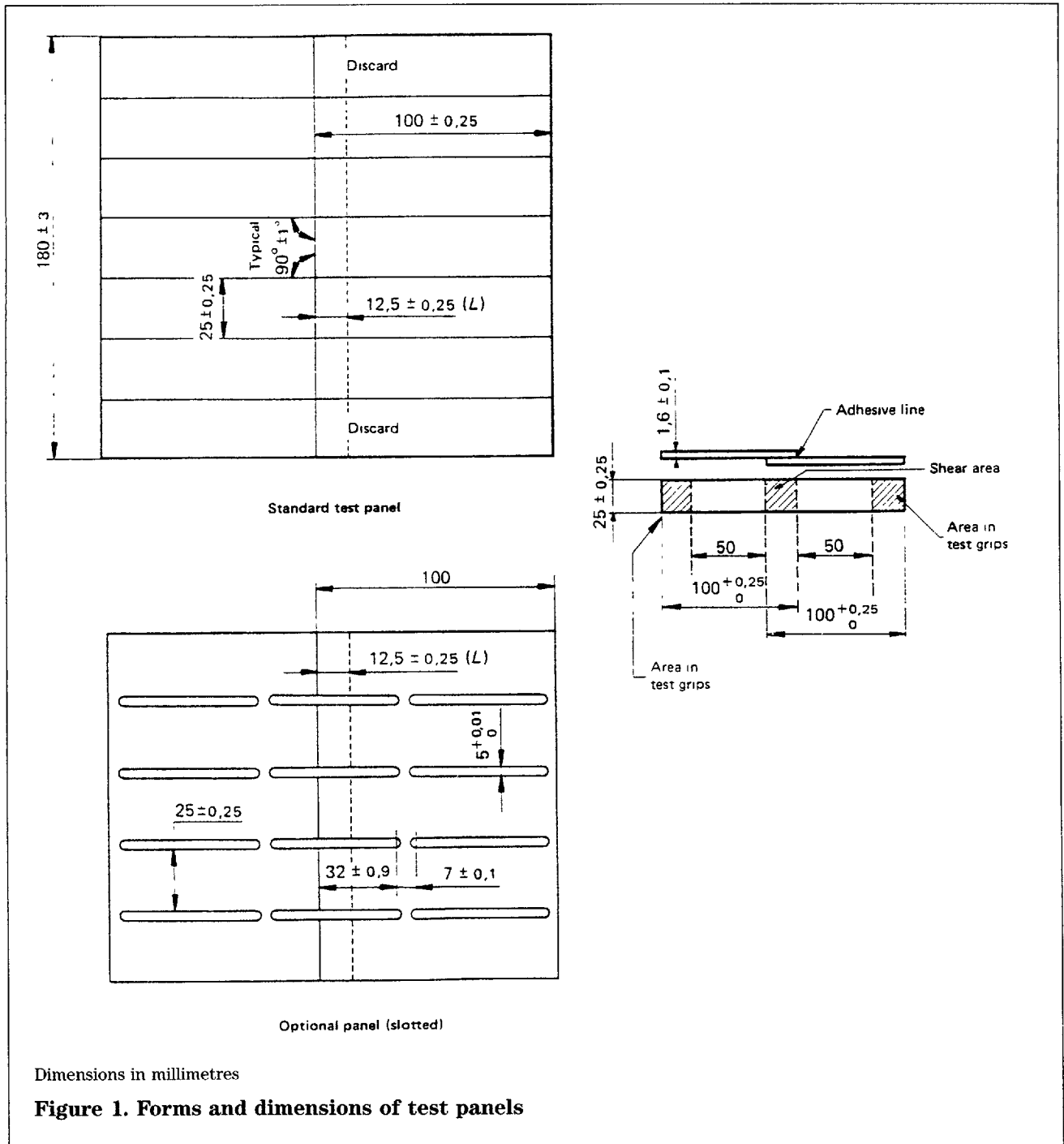
b) the reproductibility (see ISO 3534) (i.e. the difference between the mean breaking forces obtained with one sample of adhesive on the same system in different test rooms or laboratories) should be less than 20 % of the arithmetic mean of the individual mean values.

It is stressed that these criteria are offered for guidance; failure to meet one or other of the requirements does not of itself imply failure to comply with this European Standard.

9 Test report

The test report shall include the following particulars:

- a) reference to this European Standard;
- b) identification of the adhesive tested, including type, source, manufacturer's code number, batch or lot number, form, etc.;
- c) identification of adherends, including material thickness, width and surface preparation;
- d) description of bonding process, including method of application of adhesive, drying or curing conditions (where applicable), and curing time, temperature and pressure;
- e) average thickness (as precisely as practicable) of the adhesive layer after formation of the bond;
- f) complete description of the test specimen, including dimensions and construction of the test specimen, with nominal overlap of the joint, whether individual or of panel construction, whether slotted or unslotted panels, conditions used for cutting individual test specimens, number of test panels represented, and number of individual test specimens;
- g) conditioning procedure prior to testing, and test atmosphere;
- h) the rate of loading or rate of jaw separation;
- j) the individual breaking force or stress test results, the arithmetic mean and the coefficient of variation of the mean, together with information about the spread of results;
- k) type of failure according to ISO 10365;
- l) any operating deviations or difficulties that may have affected the results.



List of references

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