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Foreword

This document (EN 15664-2:2010) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 164 "Water supply", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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In respect of potential adverse effects on the quality of water intended for human consumption caused by metallic materials, attention is drawn to the fact that the relevant national regulations remain in force until the adoption of verifiable European acceptance criteria. Water intended for human consumption is hereafter referred to as "drinking water" and means the same as the definition given at Article 2(1) of the Council Directive 98/83/EC on the quality of water intended for human consumption [1].

This document has been drafted in accordance with the CEN Internal Regulations, Part 3.

This document is Part 2 of a series dealing with the test method to determine the release of metals from metallic products into drinking water comprising:

- Part 1: Design and operation
- Part 2: Test waters (this document)
- Part 3: Guidance on interpretation of results¹⁾

This part describes the selection of test waters for the test method to produce contact waters for the assessment of metal release from metallic materials.

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¹⁾ Not yet registered as an active project.

Introduction

The test method given in Part 1 of EN 15664 is designed to provide information on metal release over time from metallic materials into drinking water.

The test is based on a programme of alternating periods of once-through flow and stagnation in a rig simulating the conditions in a domestic distribution system.

The test can be used for three purposes as follows:

- a) to assess a material as a reference material for a category of materials using the results of several investigations in different waters covering a broad range of water compositions;
- b) to assess a material for approval by way of comparative testing;
- c) to obtain data on the interaction of local water with a material.

This part of EN 15664 specifies test water(s) when the test procedure is used for the purposes a) to c) above.

To assess a new category of materials it is required to test the candidate reference material in several waters. This set of waters represents a parameter set of conditions which might be realistically observed in the field as extreme conditions. The test waters defined in this part of EN 15664 are based on an overview on drinking water qualities in Europe and consider the present knowledge on the dependence of metal release on water qualities.

To add a new material to a category, a comparative test against the reference material is required with specific test water. These test waters are defined in this document.

1 Scope

This European Standard defines the requirements for test waters used in the dynamic test rig defined in EN 15664-1.

This document specifies test water(s) when the test procedure is used to:

- a) assess a material for approval as a reference material for a category of materials;
- assess a material for approval by way of comparative testing;
- c) obtain data on the interaction of local water with a material.

NOTE Local waters used for test waters are not treated with corrosion inhibitors.

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 12502-1:2004, Protection of metallic materials against corrosion — Guidance on the assessment of corrosion likelihood in water distribution and storage systems — Part 1: General

EN 15664-1:2008, Influence of metallic materials on water intended for human consumption — Dynamic rig test for assessment of metal release — Part 1: Design and operation

EN ISO 8044:1999, Corrosion of metals and alloys — Basic terms and definitions (ISO 8044:1999)

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 8044:1999, EN 12502-1:2004 and EN 15664-1:2008 apply.

4 Test rig

The test rig shall be constructed and operated according to EN 15664-1.

5 Test water

5.1 Principles for the selection of test waters

For the selection of test waters all the following principles apply:

- parameters of the test waters are within the requirements of the Council Directive 98/83/EC [1];
- test waters shall be local waters and shall not be treated with corrosion inhibitors (except for 5.4);
- test waters shall represent realistic worst case waters for the purpose of the test.

The test water shall be selected depending on the purpose of the test, see 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4.

5.2 Test water for reference materials

Three test waters shall be used to collect data for the assessment of a new category of metallic material. These are: very hard neutral, soft acidic and soft alkaline. For these waters, annual mean values are given in Table 1.

Table 1 - Test water characteristics for testing reference materials

	Characteristics	рН	Alkalinity	Sum of [Cl ⁻] and [SO ₄ ²⁻]	Oxygen	тос
			mmol/l	mmol/l		mg/l
Test water 1	Very hard neutral water	7,1 to 7,5	> 5,0	> 3	> 70 % saturation	> 1,5
Test water 2	Soft water weakly acidic	6,7 to 7,1	0,5 to 1,3	-	> 70 % saturation	_
Test water 3	Soft water alkaline	8,0 to 8,4	0,7 to 1,3	-	> 70 % saturation	_

TOC shall not be increased by adding organic substances to the test water.

5.3 Test water for comparative testing

For comparative testing a local drinking water shall be used, provided that the water is suitably corrosive. This means that metal release rate(s) of the element(s) under consideration shall be high enough to result in metal concentrations for a valid comparison to be made.

NOTE It is recommended that the metal release behaviour of the reference material in the proposed test water is available.

5.4 Test water for interaction of a local water with a material

When the test procedure is used to obtain data on the interaction of local water with a material, the test water shall be the local water representative of the particular supply zone under consideration.

In this case, the water may contain corrosion inhibitors.

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[1] Council Directive 98/83/EC of 3 November 1998 on the quality of water intended for human consumption

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