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Part 4:

Flame retardants

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#### **Foreword**

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- Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics
- Part 2: Fillers and reinforcing materials
- Part 3: Plasticizers
- Part 4: Flame retardants

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# Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms —

### Part 4:

Flame retardants

## 1 Scope

This part of ISO 1043 provides uniform symbols for flame retardants added to plastics materials. The symbols are written with the abbreviated term "FR" and one or more succeeding code numbers as given in clause 5. They are used in addition to the symbols for the plastics materials, for plastics material designation and for identification and marking of plastics products.

#### 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 1043. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 1043 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1043-1:1997, Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics.

ISO 1043-2:1988, Plastics — Symbols — Part 2: Fillers and reinforcing materials.

ISO 1043-3:1996, Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 3: Plasticizers.

#### 3 Definition

For the purposes of this part of ISO 1043, the following definition applies:

**3.1 flame retardant:** A substance that markedly retards the propagation of a flame.

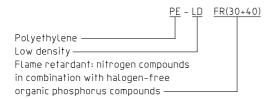
NOTE — Included are flame retardants that are incorporated in prepolymers.

#### 4 Application of symbols

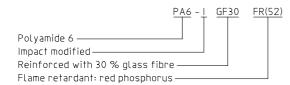
The symbols are written with the abbreviated term "FR", in capital letters, followed, without a space, by a two-digit code number enclosed in parentheses and selected, as appropriate, from the list given in clause 5. Only flame retardants exceeding 1 % (m/m) have to be identified. These symbols are used in addition to the symbols for a plastics material derived from parts 1, 2 and 3 of ISO 1043.

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#### **EXAMPLE 1:**



#### **EXAMPLE 2:**



#### 5 Code numbers for flame retardants

The code numbers are grouped according to the chemical composition of the flame retardant.

NOTE — Additional materials will be coded as required and will form amendments to this part of ISO 1043.

#### Halogenated compounds:

Code	
10	aliphatic/alicyclic chlorinated compounds
11	aliphatic/alicyclic chlorinated compounds in combination with antimony compounds
12	aromatic chlorinated compounds
13	aromatic chlorinated compounds in combination with antimony compounds
14	aliphatic/alicyclic brominated compounds
15	aliphatic/alicyclic brominated compounds in combination with antimony compounds
16	aromatic brominated compounds (excluding brominated diphenyl ether and biphenyls)
17	aromatic brominated compounds (excluding brominated diphenyl ether and biphenyls) in combination with antimony compounds
18	polybrominated diphenyl ether
19	polybrominated diphenyl ether in combination with antimony compounds
20	polybrominated biphenyls
21	polybrominated biphenyls in combination with antimony compounds
22	aliphatic/alicyclic chlorinated and brominated compounds
23, 24	not allocated
25	aliphatic fluorinated compounds
26 to 29	not allocated

# Nitrogen compounds:

#### Code

30 nitrogen compounds (confined to melamine, melamine cyanurate, urea)

not allocated 31 to 39

#### Organic phosphorus compounds:

Code

halogen-free organic phosphorus compounds
 chlorinated organic phosphorus compounds
 brominated organic phosphorus compounds

43 to 49 not allocated

#### Inorganic phosphorus compounds:

Code

ammonium orthophosphatesammonium polyphosphates

red phosphorusto 59not allocated

#### Metal oxides, metal hydroxides, metal salts:

Code

aluminium hydroxide
magnesium hydroxide
antimony(III) oxide
alkali-metal antimonate

64 magnesium/calcium carbonate hydrate

65 to 69 not allocated

#### Boron and zinc compounds:

Code

inorganic boron compoundsorganic boron compounds

72 zinc borate

73 organic zinc compounds

74 not allocated

#### Silica compounds:

Code

75 inorganic silica compounds76 organic silica compounds

77 to 79 not allocated

Code

80 graphite81 to 89 not allocated

Code

90 to 99 not allocated

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 $\textbf{Descriptors:} \ \ \text{plastics,} \ \ \text{flame proofing,} \ \ \text{retardants,} \ \ \text{symbols,} \ \ \text{abbreviations,} \ \ \text{designation,} \ \ \text{numeric codes.}$ 

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