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#### 1 .SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies a gravimetric method for the determination of matter insoluble in water in ammonium nitrate for industrial use.

## 2 PRINCIPLE

Dissolution of a test portion in water, filtration, drying and weighing of the insoluble matter.

## **3 REAGENTS**

Distilled water, or water of equivalent purity, shall be used in the test.

## 4 APPARATUS

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and

4.1 Filter crucible, approximately 30 ml capacity with a porous plate 30 mm in diameter, porosity grade P10 or P16 (pore size index 4 to 16  $\mu$ m).

## **5 PROCEDURE**

### 5.1 Test portion

Weigh, to the nearest 0,1 g, about 100 g of the test sample.

## 5.2 Preparation of the test solution

Place the test portion (5.1) in a 1 000 ml beaker and dissolve it in about 500 ml of water, maintaining the temperature between 20 and 25  $^{\circ}$ C.

#### 5.3 Filtration and determination of insoluble matter

Filter the test solution (5.2), under vacuum, on the filter crucible (4.1), previously dried at  $110 \pm 5$  °C to constant mass and weighed to the nearest 0,000 1 g.

Thoroughly wash the crucible and the beaker with three successive 20 ml portions of water. Dry the crucible and its contents in an oven at  $110\pm5\,^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 1 h. Cool in a desiccator and weigh to the nearest 0,000 1 g. Repeat the operations of drying, cooling and weighing until two consecutive weighings do not differ by more than 0,001 g.

#### **6 EXPRESSION OF RESULTS**

Matter insoluble in water, as a percentage by mass, is given by the formula

$$\frac{m_1}{m_0} \times 100$$

where

 $m_0$  is the mass, in grams, of the test portion;

 $m_1$  is the mass, in grams, of the insoluble matter.

### 7 TEST REPORT

The test report shall include the following particulars:

- a) the reference of the method used;
- b) the results and the method of expression used;
- c) any unusual features noted during the determination;
- d) any operation not included in this International Standard, or regarded as optional.

## ANNEX

This document forms part of the following series on methods of test for ammonium nitrate for industrial use:

ISO 2364 - Determination of free acidity - Volumetric method.

 ${\tt ISO~2365-\textit{Measurement of pH value-Potentiometric method}.}$ 

ISO 2995 - Determination of matter insoluble in water - Gravimetric method.

ISO 3329 - Determination of sulphate content - Titrimetric method after reduction. 1)

ISO 3330 — Determination of ammoniacal nitrogen content — Volumetric method after distillation. 1)

ISO 3331 - Determination of total nitrogen content - Volumetric method. 1)

<sup>1)</sup> At present at the stage of draft.