
**Rubber — Standard reference elastomers
(SREs) for characterizing the effect of
liquids on vulcanized rubbers**

*Caoutchouc — Élastomères de référence normalisés (SRE) pour la
caractérisation de l'effet des liquides sur les caoutchoucs vulcanisés*



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Foreword

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Introduction

The materials covered by this International Standard are specified in Annexes A to N. The following standard elastomers are included:

a) Acrylic rubbers:

— SRE-ACM/1 and SRE-ACM/1X

b) Acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers:

— SRE-NBR 28/P and SRE-NBR 28/PX

— SRE-NBR 28/S, SRE-NBR 28/SX, SRE-NBR 34/S and SRE-NBR 34/SX

— SRE-NBR/M

— SRE-NBR/L

c) Chlorobutyl rubbers:

— SRE-CIIR/1

d) Chloroprene rubbers:

— SRE-CR/1

e) Ethylene-propylene rubbers:

— SRE-EPM/1

f) Fluoropolymer rubbers:

— SRE-FKM/1

— SRE-FKM/2X

g) Hydrogenated acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers:

— SRE-HNBR/1 and SRE-HNBR/1X

h) Natural rubbers:

— SRE-NR/1

i) Silicone rubbers:

— SRE-MQ/1

— SRE-VMQ/1 and SRE-VMQ/1X

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for vulcanized rubbers in sheet form for use as standards in characterizing the effect of test liquids and service fluids. Details of the individual standard reference elastomers are listed in the annexes.

The compounding and preparation ensure that the property profile agrees sufficiently with that of the material group represented, while the simple formulation ensures reliable reproducibility.

The specified property changes of the SRE when in contact with a fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

This International Standard is not designed to provide formulations of elastomeric-product compositions for actual service.

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.

ISO 37, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tensile stress-strain properties*

ISO 48, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of hardness (hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD)*

ISO 1817, *Rubber, vulcanized — Determination of the effect of liquids*

ISO 2230, *Rubber products — Guidelines for storage*

ISO 2393, *Rubber test mixes — Preparation, mixing and vulcanization — Equipment and procedures*

ISO 2781:1988, *Rubber, vulcanized — Determination of density*

ISO 7619-1, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of indentation hardness — Part 1: Durometer method (Shore hardness)*

ISO 23529, *Rubber — General procedures for preparing and conditioning test pieces for physical test methods*

3 Composition

The materials shall be homogeneous mixes of the ingredients shown in the relevant annex, in the proportions shown, weighed to the accuracy required in ISO 2393.

All ingredients shall be of recognized rubber quality.

The identification of proprietary materials as suitable ingredients does not exclude the use of other materials that can be shown to meet the requirements of the standard.

If necessary, the quantity of carbon black or silica may be adjusted from one consignment of rubber to another to give properties within the limits specified in the annexes. If the filler content is adjusted, the details shall be declared.

4 Preparation

The mixing of compounds and the vulcanization of test sheets shall be carried out in accordance with ISO 2393 as modified by detailed conditions and procedures given in the annexes. If a mould release agent is needed, dry PTFE mould lubricant shall be used.

5 Description

The vulcanized test sheets shall be $2 \text{ mm} \pm 0,2 \text{ mm}$ thick when measured in accordance with ISO 23529, free from surface defects and from internal voids when viewed with normally corrected vision.

A "lot" of sheets is those sheets made from a single batch of rubber mix vulcanized under the same conditions. A "pressing" is the quantity of sheets produced at the same time in a single moulding operation.

6 Test sheet properties

The test sheets shall be characterized by one or more physical properties in accordance with the relevant ISO standard test method. Properties and tolerances for individual materials are given in the annexes.

All sheets shall be tested for compliance with the requirements of Clause 5. A sample sheet from each lot shall be tested for the properties of interest for compliance with the tolerances given in the appropriate annex. The actual values obtained shall be reported.

The test pieces necessary for determining material properties shall be taken from the test sheets in such a way that a minimum distance from the edge of the sheets is maintained. Bar-shaped test pieces shall be taken with their longitudinal axis parallel to the direction of milling of the moulding blank.

7 Designation

Each elastomer shall be designated as ISO 13226 SRE-A/B where ISO 13226 is this International Standard, SRE is the abbreviation for standard reference elastomer and, after the hyphen, A is a set of code-letters designating the polymer type and B is a descriptor identifying the particular compound. Some designations end with the letter X to signify that additional test requirements apply.

8 Storage

Test sheets shall be stored in accordance with ISO 2230. After one year, they shall be retested or disposed of. If the sheets still meet the test requirements, they may be stored and used for a further year.

Annex A (normative)

Acrylic rubbers: SRE-ACM/1 and SRE-ACM/1X

A.1 Purpose

These SREs are representative of ACM materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

They are used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized acrylic rubbers.

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

A.2 Composition

Table A.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Acrylic rubber ^a	100,0
Stearic acid	1,0
Pentaerythrite stearate ^b	2,0
Octylated diphenylamine ^c (ODPA)	2,0
Carbon black, N550	65,0
Sodium stearate	4,0
Quaternary ammonium salts ^d	2,0
Total	176,0
^a HyTemp 4051 [®] from Zeon Chemicals L.P., or equivalent. ^b Struktol WB 222 [®] from Schill & Seilacher, or equivalent. ^c Vulkanox OCD/SG [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^d HyTemp NPC-50 [®] from Zeon Chemicals L.P., or equivalent.	

A.3 Recommended mixing procedure

Mix on a two-roll mill (see Clause A.6).

A.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for 12 h to 48 h.

Press-cure at 180 °C ± 2 °C for 10 min ± 1 min.

Post-cure at 175 °C ± 2 °C for 4 h ± 0,5 h.

A.5 Test sheet properties

Material SRE-ACM/1 shall fulfil the basic property given in Table A.2. Additional properties may be specified (see Table A.3).

Material SRE-ACM/1X shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties.

Table A.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B for fuels, as in ISO 1817	%	26 to 29	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for 22 h ± 0,5 h at 23 °C ± 2 °C Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: 1/(30 ± 5)
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

Table A.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Tensile strength	MPa	12 to 16	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	140 to 220	
Hardness	Shore A	69 to 74	ISO 7619-1, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
	IRHD	69 to 74	ISO 48, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
Density	Mg/m ³	1,30 to 1,34	ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

A.6 Mixing procedures

The following mixing procedure can be used to produce SRE-ACM/1X material:

Roll diameter: 200 mm Working width: 395 mm Speed of rolls: 18/22 min ⁻¹ Surface temperature of rolls: 70 °C ± 5 °C Mass of rubber: 650 g		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band rubber	0	2,0 ± 0,5
Add stearic acid, pentaerythrite stearate, ODPa and carbon black	1	2,2 ± 0,5
Make 3/4 cuts (four from each side)	11	
Add sodium stearate and quaternary ammonium salts ^a	13	
Make 3/4 cuts (six from each side)	17	
Turn the rolled sheet (three times)	19	
Sheet off	21	
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 75 °C		
^a It is recommended that some of the final cuts are made during the addition of the sodium stearate to finalize the mixing procedure so that the sheet is taken off not later than 6 min ± 1 min after the accelerator has been added.		

Annex B (normative)

Acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers: SRE-NBR 28/P and SRE-NBR 28/PX

B.1 Purpose

These SREs are representative of peroxide-cured NBR materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

They are used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized nitrile rubbers.

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

B.2 Composition

Table B.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
NBR with (28 ± 0,5) % by mass of acrylonitrile ^a	100,0
<i>N</i> -(1,3-dimethylbutyl)- <i>N</i> -phenyl- <i>p</i> -phenylenediamine (6PPD) ^b	0,5
Zinc oxide, precipitated ^c	5,0
Carbon black, N550	70,0
Dicumyl peroxide (40 % by mass) ^d	3,0
Total	178,5
^a Perbunan NT 2845 [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^b Vulkanox 4020 [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^c Zinkoxyd aktiv [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^d Perkadox BC 40 [®] from Akzo-Nobel Chemicals BV, or equivalent.	

B.3 Recommended mixing procedure

Prepare a masterbatch without the peroxide in an internal mixer followed by homogenizing and addition of peroxide on a two-roll mill (see B.6.1).

Alternatively, mix completely on a two-roll mill (see B.6.2).

B.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for 20 h to 24 h.

Press-cure at 170 °C ± 2 °C for 20 min ± 1 min.

B.5 Test sheet properties

SRE-NBR 28/P material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table B.2. Additional properties may be specified (see Table B.3).

SRE-NBR 28/PX material shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties.

Table B.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B for fuels, as in ISO 1817	%	25 to 28	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for 22 h ± 0,5 h at 23 °C ± 2 °C Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: 1/(30 ± 5)
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

Table B.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Tensile strength	MPa	20 to 25	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	170 to 220	
Hardness	Shore A	79 to 84	ISO 7619-1, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
	IRHD	79 to 84	ISO 48, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
Density	Mg/m ³	1,21 to 1,25	ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

B.6 Mixing procedures

The following mixing procedures can be used to produce SRE-NBR 28/PX material:

B.6.1 Internal mixer and subsequent two-roll mill

Example of a mixing procedure for preparation of a masterbatch without peroxide, using an internal mixer fitted with intermeshing blades:

Mixing-chamber volume ^a : 4,6 dm ³	
Chamber filled to: (65 ± 5) % ^b	
Speed ^c : 30 min ⁻¹	
Mass of rubber: 2 000 g	
Mixing step	Elapsed time min
Add rubber	0
Add zinc oxide and 6PPD	2
Add carbon black	3
Dump	8
Final temperature of masterbatch: approx. 120 °C	
^a Determined by means of wheat grains.	
^b When using a mixer fitted with non-intermeshing blades, fill the chamber to (80 ± 5) %.	
^c With cooling fully operative.	

Example of a mixing procedure for homogenization of masterbatch and addition of peroxide using a two-roll mill:

Roll diameter: 250 mm Working width: 410 mm Speed of rolls: 0 min to 13 min: 12/18 min ⁻¹ 14 min to 25 min: 12/12 min ⁻¹ Surface temperature of rolls: 50 °C ± 5 °C		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band hot masterbatch	0	3,0 ± 0,5
Make 3/4 cuts (14 from each side)	1	
Turn the rolled sheet (eight times)	8	
Make 3/4 cuts (two from each side)	13	
Add peroxide	14	
Make 3/4 cuts (five from each side)	16	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	19	
Make 3/4 cuts (five from each side)	21	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	23	
Sheet off	25	1,5 ± 0,5
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 75 °C		

B.6.2 Mixing using a two-roll mill

Roll diameter: 200 mm Working width: 395 mm Speed of rolls: 20/24 min ⁻¹ Surface temperature of rolls: 50 °C ± 5 °C Mass of rubber: 1 000 g		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band rubber	0	2,0 ± 0,5
Add zinc oxide and 6PPD	3	
Make 3/4 cuts (three from each side)	4	
Add carbon black	6	Set stepwise to 3,2 ± 0,5
Add peroxide	17	
Make 3/4 cuts (six from each side)	19	3,2 ± 0,5
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	23	
Sheet off	26	1,5 ± 0,5
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C		

Annex C (normative)

Acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers: SRE-NBR 28/S, SRE-NBR 28/SX, SRE-NBR 34/S and SRE-NBR 34/SX

C.1 Purpose

These SREs are representative of low-sulfur-cured NBR materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

They are used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized nitrile rubbers.

In order to cover a wide range of service fluids, two different acrylonitrile (ACN) contents and thus a different swelling behaviour of the SREs are specified as follows:

- ISO 13226 SRE-NBR 28/S and SRE-NBR 28/SX (ACN content 28 %);
- ISO 13226 SRE-NBR 34/S and SRE-NBR 34/SX (ACN content 34 %).

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

C.2 Composition

Table C.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass	
	28/S 28/SX	34/S 34/SX
NBR (ACN content 28 %) ^a	100,0	—
NBR (ACN content 34 %) ^b	—	100,0
Polymerized 2,2,4-trimethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline (TMQ) ^c	2,0	2,0
Zinc oxide, precipitated ^d	5,0	5,0
Stearic acid	1,0	1,0
Carbon black, N550	65,0	65,0
Tetramethylthiuram disulfide (TMTD) ^e	2,5	2,5
<i>N</i> -Cyclohexylbenzothiazyl-2-sulfenamide (CBS) ^f	1,5	1,5
Sulfur	0,2	0,2
Total	177,2	177,2
^a Perbunan NT 2845 [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^b Perbunan NT 3445 [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^c Vulkanox HS/LG [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^d Zinkoxyd aktiv [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^e Vulkacit Thiuram/C [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^f Vulkacit CZ/C [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent.		

C.3 Recommended mixing procedures

Prepare a masterbatch without the TMTD, CBS and sulfur in an internal mixer followed by homogenizing and addition of curing agents on a two-roll mill (see C.6.1).

To obtain good sulfur dispersion, use about 10 % of the rubber to make a sulfur masterbatch.

Alternatively, mix completely on a two-roll mill. Prepare a sulfur masterbatch and store it for between 30 min and 24 h before proceeding with the main mix (see C.6.2).

C.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for 2 h to 24 h.

Press-cure at $160\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$ for $20\text{ min} \pm 1\text{ min}$.

C.5 Test sheet properties

SRE-NBR 28/S and SRE-NBR 34/S materials shall fulfil the basic property given in Table C.2. Additional properties may be specified (see Table C.3).

SRE-NBR 28/SX and SRE-NBR 34/SX materials shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties.

Table C.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement		Test method
		28/S 28/SX	34/S 34/SX	
Increase in mass in test liquid B for fuels, as in ISO 1817	%	26 to 29	17 to 20	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for $22\text{ h} \pm 0,5\text{ h}$ at $23\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$ Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: $1/(30 \pm 5)$
^a As specified in ISO 37.				

Table C.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement		Test method
		28/SX	34/SX	
Tensile strength	MPa	20 to 25	20 to 25	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	300 to 400	300 to 400	
Hardness	Shore A	76 to 81	77 to 82	ISO 7619-1, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
	IRHD	76 to 81	77 to 82	ISO 48, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
Density	Mg/m ³	1,19 to 1,23	1,20 to 1,24	ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces
^a As specified in ISO 37.				

C.6 Mixing procedures

The following mixing procedures can be used to produce SRE-NBR 28/SX and SRE-NBR 34/SX materials:

C.6.1 Internal mixer and subsequent two-roll mill

Use an internal mixer to prepare a masterbatch, without the vulcanizing ingredients, e.g. as specified in Table C.4.

Homogenize using a two-roll mill and add the vulcanizing ingredients, e.g. as specified in Table C.5.

To achieve good sulfur dispersion, which is essential for good tensile characteristics, take about 10 % of the rubber and mix a sulfur batch in accordance with Table C.6 (with properly adjusted working width and/or nip opening). Add this batch on the two-roll mill after step 2, as specified in Table C.5.

Table C.4 — Mixing procedure for preparation of a masterbatch without vulcanizing ingredients, using an internal mixer fitted with intermeshing blades (example)

Mixing-chamber volume ^a : 4,6 dm ³ Chamber filled to: (65 ± 5) % ^b Speed ^c : 30 min ⁻¹ Mass of rubber: 2 000 g	
Mixing step	Elapsed time min
Add rubber	0
Add zinc oxide and TMQ	2
Add carbon black and stearic acid	3
Dump	8
Final temperature of masterbatch: approx. 120 °C	
^a Determined by means of wheat grains. ^b When using a mixer fitted with non-intermeshing blades, fill the chamber to (80 ± 5) %. ^c With cooling fully operative.	

Table C.5 — Mixing procedure for homogenization of masterbatch and addition of vulcanizing ingredients, using a two-roll mill (example)

Roll diameter: 250 mm Working width: 410 mm Speed of rolls: 0 min to 13 min: 12/18 min ⁻¹ 14 min to 25 min: 12/12 min ⁻¹ Surface temperature of rolls: 50 °C ± 5 °C		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band hot masterbatch	0	3,0 ± 0,5
Make 3/4 cuts (14 from each side)	1	
Turn the rolled sheet (eight times)	8	
Make 3/4 cuts (two from each side)	13	
Add sulfur, TMDT and CBS	14	
Make 3/4 cuts (five from each side)	16	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	19	
Make 3/4 cuts (five from each side)	21	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	23	1,5 ± 0,5
Sheet off	25	
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C. To ensure homogenous sulfur distribution, the final temperature shall not be less than 90 °C. Increase the surface temperature of the rolls if necessary.		

C.6.2 Mixing using a two-roll mill

To ensure good sulfur distribution, prepare a sulfur batch (masterbatch) at a roll surface temperature of $80\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$, e.g. as specified in Table C.6.

Store the sulfur batch for at least 30 min, but no longer than 24 h.

Continue the preparation of the mix at a roll surface temperature of $50\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$, e.g. as specified in Table C.7.

Table C.6 — Mixing procedure for preparation of a sulfur batch (example)

Roll diameter: 200 mm		
Working width: 395 mm		
Speed of rolls: 20/24 min ⁻¹		
Surface temperature of rolls: $80\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$		
Rubber mass: 1 000 g		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Pass the rubber twice	0	≤ 1
Band rubber	1	$2,5 \pm 0,5$
Add sulfur	2	
Make 3/4 cuts (three from each side)	4	
Sheet off	7	
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C . To ensure homogenous sulfur distribution, the final temperature shall not be less than 90 °C . Increase the surface temperature of the rolls if necessary.		

Table C.7 — Mixing procedure for preparation of mix with sulfur batch (see Table C.6) (example)

Roll diameter: 200 mm		
Working width: 395 mm		
Speed of rolls: 20/24 min ⁻¹		
Surface temperature of rolls: $50\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Pass sulfur batch between rolls	0	$2,5 \pm 0,5$
Add antioxidant	1	
Make 3/4 cuts (two from each side)	2,5	
Add zinc oxide	3	
Make 3/4 cuts (two from each side)	5	Set stepwise to $3,2 \pm 0,5$
Add carbon black and stearic acid	6	
Make 3/4 cuts (four from each side)	24	$3,2 \pm 0,5$
Add TMDT and CBS	26	
Make 3/4 cuts (six from each side)	28	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	30	
Sheet off	31	$1,5 \pm 0,5$
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C		

Annex D (normative)

Acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers: SRE-NBR/M

D.1 Purpose

Representative of a medium-nitrile-content acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber.

D.2 Composition

Table D.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Medium acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber (ACN content 33 %) ^a	100
Stearic acid	1,5
Zinc oxide	5,0
Carbon black, N550	55 (nominal)
Sulfur masterbatch ^b	1,9
Dibenzothiazyl disulfide masterbatch (MBTS) ^c	2,0
Total	165,4
^a Medium-nitrile-content, hot-polymerized Breon N33H80 from Zeon Chemicals Europe Ltd. has been found to be suitable. ^b Masterbatch containing 80 % sulfur and 20 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber. ^c Masterbatch containing 75 % active accelerator and 25 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber.	

D.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 20 min ± 15 s at 155 °C ± 2 °C.

D.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-NBR/M material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table D.2.

Table D.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid 101, as in ISO 1817	%	19 to 22	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for (48 ⁰ ₋₁) h at 100 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex E (normative)

Acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers: SRE-NBR/L

E.1 Purpose

Representative of a low-nitrile-content acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber.

E.2 Composition

Table E.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Low-acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber (ACN content 18 %) ^a	100
Stearic acid	1,5
Zinc oxide	5,0
Carbon black, N550	67 (nominal)
Sulfur masterbatch ^b	1,9
Dibenzothiazyl disulfide masterbatch (MBTS) ^c	2,0
Total	177,4
^a Low-nitrile-content Paracril 18.80 from Uniroyal Chemical has been found to be suitable. ^b Masterbatch containing 80 % sulfur and 20 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber. ^c Masterbatch containing 75 % active accelerator and 25 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber.	

E.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 30 min ± 15 s at 155 °C ± 2 °C.

E.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-NBR/L material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table E.2.

Table E.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B, as in ISO 1817	%	53 to 59	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for (48 ⁰ ₋₁) h at 40 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex F (normative)

Chlorobutyl rubbers: SRE-CIIR/1

F.1 Purpose

Representative of a chlorobutyl rubber.

F.2 Composition

Table F.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Chlorobutyl rubber ^a	100
Stearic acid	1,5
Zinc oxide	5,0
Carbon black, N550	25 (nominal)
Carbon black, N990 ^b	120 (nominal)
Sulfur masterbatch ^c	0,94
Benzothiazyl disulfide masterbatch ^d	0,67
Petroleum jelly	3,0
Mineral oil (DEF STAN 91-44)	3,0
Dibenzothiazyl disulfide masterbatch (MBTS) ^d	1,33
Total	260,44
^a Chlorobutyl 1066 from Exxon has been found to be suitable. ^b Thermax MT N990 [®] from Degussa AG, or equivalent. ^c Masterbatch containing 80 % sulfur and 20 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber. ^d Masterbatch containing 75 % active accelerator and 25 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber.	

F.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 25 min ± 15 s at 155 °C ± 2 °C.

F.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-CIIR/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table F.2.

Table F.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B, as in ISO 1817	%	93 to 100	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for (48 ⁰ ₋₁) h at 40 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex G (normative)

Chloroprene rubbers: SRE-CR/1

G.1 Purpose

Representative of a general-purpose chloroprene rubber.

G.2 Composition

Table G.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Chloroprene rubber ^a	100
Stearic acid	0,5
Lightly calcined magnesia	4,0
Zinc oxide	5,0
Carbon black, N550	20 (nominal)
Organic accelerator ^b	0,75 to 1,0
Antioxidant ^c	2,0
Total	132,5
^a A slow-crystallizing form of a non-sulfur-modified polymer is required. Neoprene WRT from DuPont has been found to be suitable. ^b Vulkacit CRV from Bayer AG has been found to be suitable. ^c Octamine from Uniroyal Chemical has been found to be suitable.	

G.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 25 min ± 15 s at 160 °C ± 2 °C.

G.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-CR/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table G.2.

Table G.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B, as in ISO 1817	%	76 to 84	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for (48 ⁰ ₋₁) h at 40 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex H (normative)

Ethylene-propylene rubbers: SRE-EPM/1

H.1 Purpose

Representative of a general-purpose ethylene-propylene rubber.

H.2 Composition

Table H.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Ethylene-propylene copolymer rubber ^a	100
Stearic acid	0,5
Carbon black, N550	55 (nominal)
Sulfur masterbatch ^b	0,44
1,1-dibutylperoxy-3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexane (40 % active powder) ^c	7,5
Total	163,44
^a Keltan 3300 A ethylene-propylene copolymer from DMS Elastomers has been found to be suitable. ^b Masterbatch containing 80 % sulfur and 20 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber. ^c Trigonox 29-40 BPD from Akzo has been found to be suitable.	

H.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 10 min ± 15 s at 140 °C ± 2 °C.

H.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-EPM/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table H.2.

Table H.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid 103 (tri- <i>n</i> -butyl phosphate: density at 20 °C 0,975 Mg/m ³ to 0,976 Mg/m ³), as in ISO 1817	%	20 to 23	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for 22 h ± 0,25 h at 100 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex I (normative)

Fluoropolymer rubbers: SRE-FKM/1

I.1 Purpose

Representative of a fluoropolymer rubber.

I.2 Composition

Table I.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Fluoropolymer rubber ^a	100
Lightly calcined magnesia ^b	3,0
Carbon black, N990 ^c	30 (nominal)
2,5-di(<i>t</i> -butylperoxy)-2,5-dimethylhexane (50 % active powder)	3,0
Coagent ^d	3,0
Total	139,0
<p>^a Viton type GF from DuPont Dow Elastomers has been found to be suitable.</p> <p>^b Maglite D from Elastochem has been found to be suitable.</p> <p>^c Corax N990[®] from Degussa AG, or equivalent.</p> <p>^d Triallyl isocyanurate has been found to be suitable for use with Viton type GF.</p>	

I.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 8 min ± 15 s at 175 °C ± 2 °C.

Post-cure for (24 $\frac{0}{-2}$) h at 230 °C ± 5 °C.

I.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-FKM/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table I.2.

Table I.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid E (toluene), as in ISO 1817	%	8 to 11	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for 168 h ± 2 h at 40 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex J (normative)

Fluoropolymer rubbers: SRE-FKM/2X

J.1 Purpose

This SRE is representative of FKM materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

It is used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized fluoropolymer rubbers.

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

J.2 Composition

Table J.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Vinylidene fluoride-hexafluoropropylene copolymer ^a	100,0
Magnesium oxide, high activity ^b	3,0
Calcium hydroxide, small particle size ^c	2,0
Carbon black, N990 ^d	25,0
Accelerator: organic phosphonium salt, e.g. triphenylbenzyl-phosphonium chloride ^e	0,44
Crosslinking agent: 2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)-hexafluoropropane (bisphenol AF) ^f	1,35
Total	131,79
<p>The following brands have been found to be suitable:</p> <p>^a Tecnoflon N935[®] from Solvay, or Viton A 500[®] from Du Pont Dow Elastomers or Fluorel FC 2230[®] from Dyneon.</p> <p>^b Elastomag 170[®] from Nordmann, Rassmann GmbH & Co.</p> <p>^c Calcium hydroxide from Boehringer AG.</p> <p>^d Thermax MT N990[®] from Degussa AG.</p> <p>^e Intercure 2[®] from Interbusiness, Milan, or an equivalent accelerator such as Tecnoflon M2, Ausimont. Take 1,45 phr of this accelerator, and reduce the amount of rubber by 1 g per 100 g of rubber.</p> <p>^f 2,2-Bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)-hexafluoropropane from Hoechst, or an equivalent crosslinking agent such as Tecnoflon M1, Ausimont or Viton Curative No. 30, DuPont Dow Elastomers. The bisphenol content of both agents is 50 %, so take 2,76 phr and reduce the amount of rubber by 1 g per 100 g of rubber.</p>	

J.3 Recommended mixing procedure

A two-roll mill or an internal mixer can be used (see Clause J.6).

J.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for about 24 h. Prepare samples for cure. The direction of milling shall be marked on the slabs.

Press-cure at $180\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$ for $7\text{ min} \pm 1\text{ min}$.

Post-cure at $220\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$ for $16\text{ h} \pm 2\text{ h}$ in an air-circulating oven with air exchange.

J.5 Test sheet properties

SRE-FKM/2X material shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties given in Tables J.2 and J.3.

Table J.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid C for fuels, as in ISO 1817	%	6 to 9	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for (24 ± 2) h at $60\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$ Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: $1/(30 \pm 5)$
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

Table J.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Tensile strength	MPa	12 to 18	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	250 to 330	
Hardness	IRHD	67 to 73	ISO 48, microtest, three test pieces
Density	Mg/m ³	1,83 to 1,87	ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces

J.6 Mixing procedures

The following procedure can be used to produce SRE-FKM/2X material:

Roll diameter: 150 mm		
Working width: 350 mm		
Speed of rolls: $18/22\text{ min}^{-1}$		
Surface temperature: $50\text{ °C} \pm 5\text{ °C}$		
Mass of rubber: 1 000 g		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band rubber (first ingredient in Table J.1)	0	$2,0 \pm 0,5$
Blend the other ingredients (2 to 6) together and add evenly across the rolls at a constant rate Make 3/4 cuts (four from each side)	2	$3,0 \pm 1,0$
Turn the rolled sheet (six times)	12	$0,5 \pm 0,2$
Sheet off	18	$2,2 \pm 0,5$
Final temperature of sheet: 60 °C to 70 °C		

Refine mixed stock after about 24 h storage on the mill under the same conditions, as follows:

Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band batch	0	$3,0 \pm 1,0$
Make 3/4 cuts (three from each side) Turn the rolled sheet (six times)	2	$0,5 \pm 0,2$
Sheet off	8	$2,2 \pm 0,5$

Annex K (normative)

Hydrogenated acrylonitrile-butadiene rubbers: SRE-HNBR/1 and SRE-HNBR/1X

K.1 Purpose

These SREs are representative of saturated HNBR materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

They are used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized fully hydrogenated nitrile rubbers.

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

K.2 Composition

Table K.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
HNBR (ACN content 39 %) ^a	100,0
Zinc oxide, precipitated ^b	2,0
Magnesium oxide ^c	2,0
Diphenylamine, styrenated (SDPA) ^d	1,0
Carbon black, N550	50,0
Triallyl isocyanurate (TAIC) ^e	1,5
1,3-bis(<i>t</i> -butylperoxyisopropyl)-benzene, 40 % by mass ^f	7,5
Total	164,0
^a Therban A 3907 [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^b Zinkoxyd aktiv [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^c Maglite DE [®] from Merck & Co, or equivalent. ^d Vulkanox DDA [®] from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^e Perkalink 301 [®] from Akzo-Nobel BV, or equivalent. ^f Perkadox 14/40 [®] from Akzo-Nobel BV, or equivalent.	

K.3 Recommended mixing procedure

Prepare a masterbatch without the peroxide in an internal mixer followed by homogenizing and addition of peroxide on a two-roll mill (see K.6.1).

Alternatively, sheet off the masterbatch on a two-roll mill, cut into strips, cool and re-introduce into the internal mixer and add peroxide (see K.6.2).

K.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for 2 h to 24 h.

Press-cure at 180 °C ± 2 °C for 10 min ± 1 min.

Post-cure at 175 °C ± 2 °C for 4 h ± 0,5 h.

K.5 Test sheet properties

SRE-HNBR/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table K.2. Additional properties may be specified (see Table K.3).

SRE-HNBR/1X material shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties.

Table K.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid B for fuels, as in ISO 1817	%	20 to 24	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for 22 h ± 0,5 h at 23 °C ± 2 °C Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: 1/(30 ± 5)
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

Table K.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Tensile strength	MPa	24 to 29	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	250 to 310	
Hardness	Shore A	72 to 77	ISO 7619-1, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
	IRHD	72 to 77	ISO 48, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
Density	Mg/m ³		ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

K.6 Mixing procedures

The following mixing procedures can be used to produce SRE-HNBR/1X material:

K.6.1 Internal mixer and subsequent two-roll mill

Example of a mixing procedure for preparation of a masterbatch without peroxide, using an internal mixer fitted with intermeshing blades:

Mixing-chamber volume ^a : 4,6 dm ³	
Chamber filled to: (65 ± 5) % ^b	
Speed ^c : 30 min ⁻¹	
Mass of rubber: 2 000 g	
Mixing step	Elapsed time min
Add rubber	0
Add half of carbon black and all the magnesium oxide, SDPA and TAIC	2
Add zinc oxide	2,5
Add rest of carbon black	3,5
Dump	6
Final temperature of masterbatch: approx. 110 °C	
^a Determined by means of wheat grains.	
^b When using a mixer fitted with non-intermeshing blades, fill the chamber to (80 ± 5) %.	
^c With cooling fully operative.	

Example of a mixing procedure for homogenization of masterbatch and addition of peroxide using a two-roll mill:

Roll diameter: 250 mm		
Working width: 410 mm		
Speed of rolls: 12/15 min ⁻¹		
Surface temperature of rolls: 45 °C ± 5 °C		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band hot masterbatch	0	
Make 3/4 cuts (four from each side)	1	
Add peroxide	3	3,5 ± 0,5
Make 3/4 cuts (six from each side)	9	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	12	
Sheet off	15	1,5 ± 0,5
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C		

K.6.2 Mixing using a two-roll mill

Use an internal mixer to prepare a masterbatch, without peroxide, e.g. as specified in the first example in K.6.1.

Prepare a sheet about 5 mm thick on a two-roll mill. From this sheet, cut strips about 150 mm wide and, after cooling, return to the internal mixer. Add the peroxide after 1,5 min and dump after 3,5 min. Homogenize on a two-roll mill, e.g. as specified in the second example in K.6.1, but with the following modifications in the mixing steps: after the first 3/4 cuts (four from each side), turn the rolled sheet four times, and after 4 min again make 3/4 cuts (three from each side). Sheet off after 6 min.

Annex L (normative)

Natural rubbers: SRE-NR/1

L.1 Purpose

This SRE is representative of general-purpose natural-rubber compounds. It is used for the characterization of liquids with regard to their effect on natural rubber but should not be used with liquids which are unsuitable for use with natural rubber because they produce a very large volume change.

L.2 Composition

Table L.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Natural rubber ^a	100,0
Stearic acid	1,5
Zinc oxide	5,0
<i>N</i> -cyclohexylbenzothiazole-2-sulfenamide masterbatch ^b	1,0
Diphenylguanidine masterbatch ^b	0,2
Polymerized 2,2,4-trimethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline	1,0
Carbon black, N550	45 (nominal)
Pine tar masterbatch ^c	2,0
Sulfur masterbatch ^d	3,44
Total	159,14
<p>^a TSR 5 has been found suitable. TSR CV or TSR L may also be used provided the requirements of TSR 5 are satisfied.</p> <p>^b Masterbatch containing 75 % active accelerator and 25 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber.</p> <p>^c Dry-mix type (75 % pine tar and 25 % fumed silica).</p> <p>^d Masterbatch containing 80 % sulfur and 20 % of an ethylene-propylene rubber.</p>	

L.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure at 150 °C ± 2 °C for 20 min ± 15 s.

L.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-NR/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table L.2.

Table L.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid A, as in ISO 1817	%	110 to 120	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for $(48 \begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{smallmatrix})$ h at 25 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex M (normative)

Silicone rubbers: SRE-MQ/1

M.1 Purpose

Representative of a dimethyl silicone rubber.

M.2 Composition

Table M.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Dimethylsiloxane rubber ^a	100
Silica ^b	10 (nominal)
2,4-dichlorobenzoyl peroxide paste (50 % by mass of silicone fluid)	1,2
Total	111,2
^a E 315/60 silicone polymer has been found to be suitable. ^b Type VN3 silica has been found to be suitable.	

M.3 Vulcanization

Press-cure for 10 min ± 15 s at 100 °C ± 2 °C.

Post-cure for (24 $\frac{0}{-2}$) h at 200 °C ± 5 °C.

M.4 Test sheet properties

SRE-MQ/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table M.2.

Table M.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in test liquid 101, as in ISO 1817	%	14 to 19	ISO 1817, three test pieces immersed for (48 $\frac{0}{-1}$) h at 70 °C ± 1 °C

No additional properties are specified.

Annex N (normative)

Silicone rubbers: SRE-VMQ1 and SRE-VMQ/1X

N.1 Purpose

These SREs are representative of heat-cured VMQ materials such as are used, for instance, for parts in contact with petroleum products in the mechanical-engineering and automobile sectors.

They are used for the characterization of service fluids such as mineral oils, fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, coolants and refrigerants with regard to their effect on vulcanized silicone rubbers.

The changes in mass, volume, hardness, tensile strength and elongation at break of the SRE when in contact with the service fluid under specified conditions may be included as supplementary data in specifications for the fluid concerned.

N.2 Composition

Table N.1 — Composition of the SRE

Ingredients	Parts by mass
Silicone rubber batch ^a	100,0
Black pigment ^b	2,0
Diatomaceous earth ^c	20,0
Dicumyl peroxide (95 % by mass) ^d	0,9
Total	122,9
^a Silopren HV 4/611® (uncatalysed VMQ batch, with pyrogenic silica to be mixed in for ready-to-cure compounds) from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^b Silicon black colour batch (VMQ batch with heat-resistant pigment) from Bayer AG, or equivalent. ^c Dicalite White Filler® from Great Lakes Carbon Corp., or equivalent. ^d Perkadox SB® from Akzo-Nobel BV, or equivalent.	

N.3 Recommended mixing procedure

Mix completely on a two-roll mill (see Clause N.6). Do not use an internal mixer because of the risk of contamination.

N.4 Vulcanization

Condition the sheeted compound at ambient temperature for 2 h to 24 h.

Press-cure at 170 °C ± 2 °C for 10 min ± 1 min.

Post-cure at 200 °C ± 5 °C for 6 h ± 0,5 h, allowing access of air from all sides. The rate of supply of fresh air shall be not less than 125 litres per minute and per kilogram of heat-treated material.

N.5 Test sheet properties

SRE-VMQ/1 material shall fulfil the basic property given in Table N.2. Additional properties may be specified (see Table N.3).

SRE-VMQ/1X material shall fulfil both the basic and the additional properties.

Table N.2 — Basic property

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Increase in mass in dioctyl sebacate	%	12 to 15	ISO 1817, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a immersed for 22 h ± 0,5 h at 100 °C ± 2 °C Test piece/test liquid volume ratio: 1/(30 ± 5)
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

Table N.3 — Additional properties

Property	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Tensile strength	MPa	7 to 9	ISO 37, five type 2 dumb-bell test pieces
Elongation at break	%	300 to 360	
Hardness	Shore A	68 to 73	ISO 7619-1, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
	IRHD	68 to 73	ISO 48, three type 2 dumb-bell test pieces ^a , three plies
Density	Mg/m ³	1,26 to 1,30	ISO 2781:1988, method A, three test pieces
^a As specified in ISO 37.			

N.6 Mixing procedure

The following procedure, given by way of an example, can be used to produce SRE-VMQ/1X material using a two-roll mill:

Roll diameter: 200 mm		
Working width: 320 mm		
Speed of rolls 22/27 min ⁻¹		
Surface temperature of rolls: 40 °C ± 5 °C		
Mass of rubber: 1 000 g		
Mixing step	Elapsed time min	Nip opening mm
Band rubber	0	3,5 ± 0,5
Add diatomaceous earth	2	Set stepwise to 4,0 ± 0,5
Add black pigment	12	4,0 ± 0,5
Add peroxide	14	
Make 3/4 cuts (three from each side)	15	
Turn the rolled sheet (four times)	16	
Sheet off	18	
Final temperature of sheet: approx. 90 °C		

