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**1 Modifications to 4.2**

*Delete*

"m is the mass of the sample (kg)"

*After the definition for  $t_u$  include a new definition*

"w is the weight of the sample (N)"

**2 Modification to 8.1**

*Replace*

"weigh the mass of each specimen to 0,1 kg"

*with*

"determine the weight of each specimen to the nearest 1 N"

**3 Modification to 8.3**

*Replace*

"h) if the testing is carried out horizontally the mass of each specimen to the nearest 0,1 kg"

*with*

"h) if the testing is carried out horizontally the weight of each specimen to the nearest 1 N"

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## **European foreword**

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## EN 1052-2:2016(E)

### 1 Scope

This European standard specifies a method for determining the flexural strength of small masonry specimens for the two principal axes of loading. Guidance is given on the preparation of the specimens, the conditioning required before testing, the testing machine, the method of test, the method of calculation and the contents of the test report.

### 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 772-1, *Methods of test for masonry units — Part 1: Determination of compressive strength*

EN 772-10, *Methods of test for masonry units — Part 10: Determination of moisture content of calcium silicate and autoclaved aerated concrete units*

EN 998-2, *Specification for mortar for masonry — Part 2: Masonry mortar*

EN 1015-3, *Methods of test for mortar for masonry — Part 3: Determination of consistence of fresh mortar (by flow table)*

EN 1015-7, *Methods of test for mortar for masonry — Part 7: Determination of air content of fresh mortar*

EN 1015-11, *Methods of test for mortar for masonry — Part 11: Determination of flexural and compressive strength of hardened mortar*

### 3 Principle

The flexural strength of masonry is derived from the strength of small specimens tested to destruction under four point loading. The maximum load achieved is recorded. The characteristic value, calculated from the maximum stresses achieved by the samples is considered to be the flexural strength of the masonry.

### 4 Terms, definitions and symbols

#### 4.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

##### 4.1.1

##### **masonry**

assemblage of masonry units laid in a specified pattern and jointed together with mortar

##### 4.1.2

##### **flexural strength of masonry**

strength of masonry in pure bending assuming a linear stress distribution of internal stresses

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