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## **European foreword**

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### 1 Scope

This document defines three procedures to evaluate the compatibility of the constituent materials of a bituminous mixture with bitumen emulsion. These organoleptic methods can be used together to evaluate the compatibility of the constituent materials after a hand mixing procedure for given emulsion and water content:

- Method A describes a test method to determine visually the degree of coating;
- Method B describes a test method to determine the consistency;
- Method C describes a test method to determine the hydric aspect.

This document applies to mixtures prepared in the laboratory or taken from the plant.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 1008, *Mixing water for concrete — Specification for sampling, testing and assessing the suitability of water, including water recovered from processes in the concrete industry, as mixing water for concrete*

EN 1097-5, *Tests for mechanical and physical properties of aggregates — Part 5: Determination of the water content by drying in a ventilated oven*

EN 1097-6, *Tests for mechanical and physical properties of aggregates — Part 6: Determination of particle density and water absorption*

EN 1428, *Bitumen and bituminous binders — Determination of water content in bituminous emulsions — Azeotropic distillation method*

EN 12594, *Bitumen and bituminous binders — Preparation of test samples*

EN 12697-35, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 35: Laboratory mixing*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

#### 3.1

##### **degree of coating**

visual assessment of the percentage of mineral aggregate coated by emulsion

#### 3.2

##### **consistency**

visual and tactile assessment of cohesion increase using comparisons of different mixtures resistance under manual pressure



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