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- the title no longer makes the method exclusively for hot mix asphalt;
- [ge] editorial update according to current standard template;
- [ge] dated references for test methods deleted in relevant places;
- [ge] NOTES modified and adjusted to normal text and vice versa where appropriate according to ISO/IEC Directives – Part 2:2016, 24.5;
- [Clause 1] irrelevant NOTE deleted, indicating a future development of alternative conditions not covered by this document;
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- [Bibliography] test methods referred to in normal text moved to Clause 2 Normative references.

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EN 12697-45:2020 (E)**1 Scope**

This document specifies a test method to assess the durability of adhesion in base and binder course asphalt mixtures. The Saturation Ageing Tensile Stiffness (SATS) conditioning regime is used to age the specimens in the presence of water. A comparative test for assessing their performance before and after conditioning is also conducted.

The applicability of this test method is limited to bituminous specimens with consistent air voids contents and hard binder, in particular, to asphalt concrete mixtures with a binder content between 3,5 % and 5,5 %, air voids contents between 6 % and 10 % and 10/20 pen hard paving grade bitumen.

The test is intended to be used as a screening test for the assessment of a combination of aggregate, filler and additives with respect to the retained adhesion properties after simulated ageing in a moist atmosphere for lean/stiff base and binder course mixtures.

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 12697-5, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 5: Determination of the maximum density*

EN 12697-6, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 6: Determination of bulk density of bituminous specimens*

EN 12697-8, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 8: Determination of void characteristics of bituminous specimens*

EN 12697-26:2018, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 26: Stiffness*

EN 12697-30, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 30: Specimen preparation by impact compactor*

EN 12697-31, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 31: Specimen preparation by gyratory compactor*

EN 12697-33, *Bituminous mixtures — Test method — Part 33: Specimen prepared by roller compactor*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 12697-5, EN 12697-6 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

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

3.1**saturation before conditioning**

saturation of the mixture, determined as the calculated proportion of air voids filled with water after partial vacuum saturation, prior to conditioning by storage under increased pressure and elevated temperature, in percent

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