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## European foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are listed below:

- The title no longer refers to hot mix asphalt;
- (Clause 1) paragraph, 4<sup>th</sup> line: “asphalt” amended to read “reclaimed asphalt”;
- (Clause 1) NOTE: The wording “asphalt mixtures” and “asphalt mix” amended to read “bituminous mixtures” and “bituminous mixture”;
- (Clause 1) NOTE 2 deleted since already described in Scope;
- (ge) NOTES adjusted according to CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations Part 3:2019;
- (ge) for measurement and expression of results the wording “accuracy” has been amended to “to the nearest”;
- (Clause 2) dated reference to EN 932-1 deleted and title corrected for EN 12697-27;
- (Clause 3) introductory sentence amended according to CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations Part 3:2019 and dated reference to EN 931-1 deleted;
- (3.1) definition of reclaimed asphalt harmonized with EN 13108-8:2016;
- (3.2) cold asphalt with cut-back bitumen excluded from the definition;
- (3.3) additional definition for finer foreign matter introduced. Transferred from Annex A, A.2. (cold asphalt with cut-back bitumen excluded). The following clauses renumbered accordingly;
- (5.2) reworded description for balance (editorial) in line with 7.2;
- (7.1) NOTE 1 regarding cold asphalt with cut-back bitumen deleted since there is no relevance with the purpose of this test method; NOTE 2 deleted;
- (7.2) NOTE 1 adjusted to normal text (new sub-clause 7.2.1). NOTE 2 adjusted to normal text (new sub-clause 7.2.2);
- (7.3); (7.4); (7.5); (8) simplified description with reference to 7.2;
- (Clause 9) required information completed according to CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations Part 3:2019, Clause 18.5.8. Report of test result in line with EN 13108-8:2016, 4.1;

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- (Annex A) title of Annex A amended to read “Amount of finer foreign matter” and the wording “finer foreign matter” implemented where relevant in line with definition in 3.3;

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies a visual method of determining the amount and components of coarse foreign matter in reclaimed asphalt. A method for determining the amount and components of finer foreign matter in reclaimed asphalt is given in Annex A. This method does not completely categorize the foreign matter that can occur in reclaimed asphalt.

**NOTE** For the use of reclaimed asphalt in bituminous mixtures it is important to know the components in the reclaimed asphalt and to know to what extent coarse foreign matter is present that can influence the properties of the bituminous mixture.

## 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 932-1, *Tests for general properties of aggregates - Part 1: Methods for sampling*

EN 933-2, *Tests for geometrical properties of aggregates - Part 2: Determination of particle size distribution - Test sieves, nominal size of apertures*

EN 12697-27, *Bituminous mixtures - Test methods - Part 27: Sampling*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 932-1 and the following apply.

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

### 3.1

#### **reclaimed asphalt**

processed asphalt, suitable and ready to be used as constituent material for asphalt

Note 1 to entry: Processing can include one or more of: milling, crushing, sieving (screening), blending, etc.

### 3.2

#### **coarse foreign matter**

matter that is greater in size than 8 mm in reclaimed asphalt not derived from asphalt pavements or surplus production

### 3.3

#### **finer foreign matter**

matter that is greater in size than 4 mm but smaller than 8 mm in reclaimed asphalt not derived from asphalt pavements or surplus production

Note 1 to entry: See Annex A. It is also possible to use fractions 6,3/8 mm or 5,6/8 mm, but the result will not be for the finer foreign matter as defined here. The fraction actually tested needs to be clearly associated with the result in any report.

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