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European foreword

This document (EN 16758:2021) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 33 “Doors, windows, shutters, building hardware and curtain walling”, the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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The main changes compared to the previous edition, EN 16758:2016, are listed below:

- new specifications were added in “5.1 General” when using an infill panel to apply the forces,
- new sample restraints “S” were added in figures where missing and the direction of application of “S” was modified in order to have the equilibrium of forces applied to samples represented in figures,
- new figures for cruciform/half cruciform glass support, showing the application of dead load and the position of DT, were added,
- the dimensions of the samples were modified, as described in 5.2,
- the deformation speed for vertical and horizontal loading was modified, as specified in 5.3,
- new specifications for horizontal loading were added (see 5.3.3.1),
- new subclause (5.3.4) was added, regarding the interpretation of the loading records with reference to Annex A and Annex B,
- more detailed information was added in the test report,
- in Annex A and Annex B, new reference to ISO 16269-6 and introduction of the variable $\tau_{\alpha\beta}$ as a function of the number of test pieces, in order to determine the design load of the connection.

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EN 16758:2021 (E)**1 Scope**

This document specifies test methods for the determination of bearing capacity (ultimate limit state and serviceability limit state), of connections between curtain walling framing members which cannot be calculated in accordance with current codes or conventional calculations based upon the strength of the materials.

Mechanical performances of the curtain walling connections are already assessed in accordance with the provisions described in EN 13830. Additional information with respect to mechanical performance of the connections and direct applications can be determined with this document (see Annex C).

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 13119, *Curtain walling — Terminology*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 13119 and the following apply.

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

3.1 connection

set of components designed to transfer loads between framing members

EXAMPLE Cleat, screw and fittings.

4 Symbols and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following symbols apply.

a	Total height of the sample
a_1, a_2	Partial height of the sample
b	Distance between the centre of gravity axes of the mullions
c_w	Elasticity constant
d	Distance between the vertical forces applied on the transom
C_h	Distance between the centre of gravity axis of the mullion and the horizontal forces
C_v	Distance between the centre of gravity axis of the mullion and the vertical forces
DT	Displacement transducer
e	Distance from the position of (α), the contact area between the internal infill gasket and the transom, and the vertical plane containing the centre of the gravity of the infill
$f_{ave,ela}$	Average of glass support deflections by $F_{ave,ela}$
F_{ave}	Average force

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