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Hygrothermal performance of building materials and products — Determination of hygroscopic sorption properties

1 Scope

This document specifies two alternative methods for determining hygroscopic sorption properties of porous building materials and products:

- a) using desiccators and weighing cups (desiccator method);
- b) using a climatic chamber (climatic chamber method).

The desiccator method is the reference method.

This document does not specify the method for sampling.

The methods specified in this document can be used to determine the moisture content of a sample in equilibrium with air at a specific temperature and humidity.

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.

ISO 9346, *Hygrothermal performance of buildings and building materials — Physical quantities for mass transfer — Vocabulary*

ISO 12570, *Hygrothermal performance of building materials and products — Determination of moisture content by drying at elevated temperature*

3 Terms and definitions, symbols and units

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 9346 and the following apply.

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3.1 Terms and definitions

3.1.1

equilibrium moisture content

moisture content of a porous material in equilibrium with the environment and the relative humidity of the ambient air, at a specified temperature

3.1.2

moisture content mass by mass

mass of evaporable water divided by mass of dry material

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