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Foreword

This document (EN 725-10:2007) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 184 “Advanced technical ceramics”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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- Part 1: *Determination of impurities in alumina*
- Part 2: *Determination of impurities in barium titanate*
- Part 3: *Determination of the oxygen content of non-oxides by thermal extraction with a carrier gas*
- Part 4: *Determination of oxygen content in aluminium nitride by XRF analysis*
- Part 5: *Determination of particle size distribution*
- Part 6: *Determination of the specific surface area* [withdrawn]
- Part 7: *Determination of the absolute density* [withdrawn]
- Part 8: *Determination of tapped bulk density*
- Part 9: *Determination of un-tapped bulk density*
- Part 10: *Determination of compaction properties*
- Part 11: *Determination of densification on natural sintering*
- Part 12: *Chemical analysis of zirconia*

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EN 725-10:2007 (E)**1 Scope**

This Part of EN 725 describes methods for the determination of the compaction behaviour of ungranulated or granulated ceramic powders, when subjected to uniaxial compressive loading in a rigid die, under specified conditions.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 ISO/IEC 17025, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories (ISO/IEC 17025:2005)*

3 Principle

The powder is compacted uniaxially in a rigid die by double-action pressing. Samples of the powder may be pressed either at a single pressure or at a series of pressures. After ejection from the die, the apparent geometrical density of the compact is determined.

Where one pressure is used, the density obtained represents the compaction properties of the powder at that pressure. Where more than one pressure is used, the densities obtained are utilized for drawing the compaction curve of the powder, which is a plot of its density as a function of the compacting pressure.

4 Symbols

The symbols and associated units used in this part of EN 725 are set out in Table 1.

Table 1 — Symbols and units

Symbol	Designation	Unit
ρ_{geom}	Apparent geometrical density	kg/m ³
m	Mass of the compact	g
V	Volume of the compact	cm ³

If the apparent density is measured at one pressure only, for example 200 MPa, the symbol becomes, e.g. $\rho_{geom}(200)$.

5 Apparatus

5.1 Die, which shall be made from hard material (e.g. tungsten carbide). The cylindrical die shall contain two punches for producing cylindrical compacts and shall be of the floating type or of the type suspended from a spring. The die shall be capable of making compacts of diameter 20 mm to 26 mm with a height to diameter ratio between 0,3 and 0,5, with tolerances as indicated in Figure 1. The upper part of the die shall be (preferably) designed to avoid damage to the compact during the ejection phase due to springback. An ejection cone of height 5 mm, allowing an increase of the diameter at the top of the die of approximately 1 %, as shown in Figure 1, should be used.

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