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Foreword

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Introduction

The volatile matter is determined as the loss in mass less that due to moisture, when solid recovered fuel is heated out of contact with air under standardised conditions. The test is empirical and, in order to ensure reproducible results, it is essential that the rate of heating, the final temperature and the overall duration of the test are carefully controlled. It is also essential to exclude air from the solid recovered fuel during heating to prevent oxidation. The fit of the crucible lid is therefore critical.

The moisture content of the sample is determined at the same time as the volatile matter so that the appropriate correction can be made. Mineral matter associated with the sample can also lose mass under the conditions of the test, the magnitude of the loss being dependent on both the nature and the quantity of the minerals present.

This European Standard is primarily geared toward laboratories, producers, suppliers and purchasers of solid recovered fuels, but is also useful for the authorities and inspection organizations.

The method specified in this European Standard is based on EN 15148 as well as ISO 562.



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