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Foreword

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- *Part 3: Characterisation of WPC products*

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1 Scope

This Technical Specification identifies the required and optional properties of wood-plastics composite (WPC) products. It is intended to be used as a basis for the specifications of WPC products.

This part is applicable to WPC products intended to be used as decking and siding.

NOTE Other applications may be covered when this document will be revised.

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 310, *Wood based panels — Determination of modulus of elasticity in bending and of bending strength*

EN 317, *Particleboards and fibreboards — Determination of swelling in thickness after immersion in water*

EN 318, *Wood-based panels — Determination of dimensional changes associated with changes in relative humidity*

EN 321, *Wood based panels — Determination of moisture resistance under cyclic test conditions*

EN 477, *Unplasticized polyvinylchloride (PVC-U) profiles for the fabrication of windows and doors — Determination of the resistance to impact of main profiles by falling mass*

EN 479, *Unplasticized polyvinylchloride (PVC-U) profiles for the fabrication of windows and doors — Determination of heat reversion*

EN 789:2004, *Timber structures — Test methods — Determination of mechanical properties of wood based panels*

EN 927-6, *Paints and varnishes — Coating materials and coating systems for exterior wood — Part 6: Exposure of wood coatings to artificial weathering using fluorescent UV lamps and water*

ENV 1156, *Wood-based panels — Determination of duration of load and creep factors*

EN 1383, *Timber structures — Test methods — Pull through resistance of timber fasteners*

EN 13446, *Wood-based panels — Determination of withdrawal capacity of fasteners*

EN 13823, *Reaction to fire tests for building products — Building products excluding floorings exposed to the thermal attack by a single burning item*

EN 13893, *Resilient, laminate and textile floor coverings — Measurement of dynamic coefficient of friction on dry floor surfaces*

CEN/TS 15534-1:2007, *Wood-plastics composites (WPC) — Part 1: Test methods for characterisation of WPC materials and products*

CEN/TS 15534-2, *Wood-plastics composites (WPC) — Part 2: Characterisation of WPC materials*

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