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## Foreword

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This standard is one of a series on testing concrete.

EN 12390, *Testing hardened concrete*, consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: Shape, dimensions and other requirements for specimens and moulds;*
- *Part 2: Making and curing specimens for strength tests;*
- *Part 3: Compressive strength of test specimens;*
- *Part 4: Compressive strength — Specification for testing machines;*
- *Part 5: Flexural strength of test specimens;*
- *Part 6: Tensile splitting strength of test specimens;*
- *Part 7: Density of hardened concrete;*
- *Part 8: Depth of penetration of water under pressure;*
- *Part 9: Freeze-thaw resistance — Scaling (technical specification);*
- *Part 10: Determination of the relative carbonation resistance of concrete (technical specification);*
- *Part 11: Determination of the chloride resistance of concrete, unidirectional diffusion (technical specification).*

The following amendments have been made to the former edition:

- editorial revision;
- increases in the allowable tolerances for the dimensions of the specimens which reflect current industry practice.

This standard recognises alternative approaches towards obtaining test specimens of the correct sizes and shapes. The first is to use moulds whose life is limited and to measure the specimens to ensure conformity. The second is to cast specimens in calibrated metal moulds which meet tighter tolerances than for specimens. The use of calibrated moulds allows relaxation on the requirement for measuring the specimens.

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Annex A gives the application of EN ISO 1101 to measuring the shapes of concrete test specimens and moulds.

Annex B gives a method to measure the flatness of specimens and moulds.

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