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# Ice-cream and milk ice — Determination of total solids content (Reference method)

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a reference method for the determination of the total solids content of ice-cream, milk ices and similar products.

## 2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 2.1

#### **total solids content of ice-cream or milk ice**

mass fraction of material remaining after drying by the procedure specified in this International Standard

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## 3 Principle

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A known quantity of the sample, diluted with water and mixed with sand, is dried at 102 °C, to constant mass, then reweighed to determine the mass of the residue.

## 4 Apparatus and materials

Usual laboratory apparatus and, in particular, the following.

- 4.1 **Analytical balance**, capable of weighing to the nearest 1 mg, with a readability of 0,1 mg.
- 4.2 **Desiccator**, containing an efficient drying agent.
- 4.3 **Drying oven**, well-ventilated and capable of being maintained at 102 °C ± 2 °C.
- 4.4 **Flat dish**, non-corrodible under the test conditions, about 25 mm deep and about 75 mm in diameter, with well-fitting lid.
- 4.5 **Water bath**, capable of being maintained at 45 °C ± 1 °C.
- 4.6 **Boiling water bath**.
- 4.7 **Flat-ended glass rod**, the total length of which shall be slightly less than the diameter of the dish (4.4).
- 4.8 **Quartz sand or sea sand**, which passes through a sieve with nominal size of aperture 500 µm but is retained on a sieve of nominal size of aperture of 180 µm (see ISO 565 <sup>[1]</sup>). The sand shall be washed successively with concentrated hydrochloric acid and distilled water, dried and ignited.

NOTE Acid-washed sand is commercially available.

The acid-washed sand shall pass the following test for suitability. Dry about 25 g of the sand to constant mass in the oven (4.3) set at 102 °C. Allow to cool. Weigh to the nearest 1 mg, recording the mass to four decimal places. Moisten the sand with distilled water, dry again to constant mass, cool and weigh to the nearest 1 mg, recording the mass to four decimal places. The difference between the two masses shall not exceed 1,0 mg.

## 5 Sampling

A representative sample should have been sent to the laboratory. It should not have been damaged or changed during transport or storage.

A recommended sampling method is given in Annex A. See also ISO 707 [2].

## 6 Preparation of test sample

For samples taken in small packages, remove the packaging and place the sample in a clean, dry container fitted with an airtight closure.

For samples taken from bulk or from large packages, keep them in their sampling containers.

In either case, melt the sample by standing the container in the water bath (4.5), set at 45 °C, for just enough time to allow the sample to become a homogeneous, smooth paste.

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## 7 Procedure

7.1 Place about 25 g of the prepared sand (4.8) in the dish (4.4) and place the flat-ended glass rod (4.7) on the lid.

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7.2 Transfer the dish, with the lid and glass rod alongside, to the oven (4.3), set at 102 °C, and leave for about 2 h.

7.3 Place the lid and rod on the dish and transfer to the desiccator (4.2). Allow to cool to room temperature. Remove from the desiccator and weigh to the nearest 1 mg, recording the mass to four decimal places.

7.4 Tilt the dish until the sand moves to one side, then place in the available space 3 g to 4 g of the melted and well-mixed test sample (see Clause 6). Weigh, together with the lid and glass rod, to the nearest 1 mg, recording the mass to four decimal places.

7.5 Add about 3 ml of distilled water, mix the test portion using the rod, then mix the diluted test portion thoroughly with the sand. Leave the stirring end of the rod in the mixture, with the other end resting on the side of the dish. Place the dish on the boiling water bath (4.6) for about 30 min, carefully stirring during the early part of this period so that the mass when dry will not form a cake but will be well aerated and in the form of a crumbly mixture. Lay the rod flat in the dish.

7.6 Transfer the dish, with the lid alongside, to the oven (4.3), set at 102 °C, and leave for about 2 h.

7.7 Place the lid on the dish and transfer it to a desiccator. Allow to cool to room temperature as before, remove from the desiccator and weigh to the nearest 1 mg, recording the mass to four decimal places.

7.8 Repeat the heating for periods of 1 h, cooling and weighing until the mass of the closed dish decreases by 2,0 mg or less. If, before constant mass is reached, the mass shows an increase, record the lowest mass obtained.



## 8 Calculation and expression of results

### 8.1 Calculation

The total solids content,  $w_s$ , expressed as a mass fraction in percent, is given by the equation

$$w_s = \frac{m_2 - m_0}{m_1 - m_0} \times 100 \%$$

where

$m_0$  is the mass, in grams, of the dish containing the sand, together with the lid and glass rod (7.3);

$m_1$  is the mass, in grams, of the dish containing the sand and the test portion, together with the lid and glass rod (7.4);

$m_2$  is the mass, in grams, of the dish, sand and residue, together with the lid and glass rod, after drying (7.8).

### 8.2 Expression of results

Express the obtained results to two decimal places.

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## 9 Repeatability

The absolute difference between two independent single test results, obtained using the same method on identical test material in the same laboratory by the same operator using the same equipment within a short interval of time, will in not more than 5 % of cases be greater than 0,20 %.

## 10 Test report

The test report shall specify:

- a) all information necessary for the complete identification of the sample;
- b) the sampling method used, if known;
- c) the test method used, with reference to this International Standard;
- d) all operating details not specified in this International Standard, or regarded as optional, together with details of any incidents which may have influenced the test results;
- e) the test results obtained, or, if the repeatability has been checked, the final quoted result obtained.