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FOREWORD

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Prior to 1972, the results of the work of the Technical Committees were published as ISO Recommendations; these documents are now in the process of being transformed into International Standards. As part of this process, Technical Committee ISO/TC 47 has reviewed ISO Recommendation R 1686 and found it technically suitable for transformation. International Standard ISO 1686 therefore replaces ISO Recommendation R 1686-1970 to which it is technically identical.

ISO Recommendation R 1686 was approved by the Member Bodies of the following countries :

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No Member Body expressed disapproval of the Recommendation.

No Member Body disapproved the transformation of ISO/R 1686 into an International Standard.

Sodium and potassium silicates for industrial use — Samples and methods of test — General

1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard provides general descriptions relative to the treatment of samples and to the test methods for potassium and sodium silicates for industrial use.

2 GENERAL

2.1 The methods specified are applicable directly to sodium and potassium silicates in solution or that are soluble in boiling water. In the case of solid chemicals that are not readily soluble in boiling water, a special preliminary solution treatment is necessary, as specified in ISO 2122, *Sodium and potassium silicates for industrial use — Preparation of solution of products not easily soluble in boiling water and determination of matter insoluble in water*.

2.2 If it is proposed to carry out all the standardized tests, it is necessary to have a representative sample of approximately 750 g.

Precautions should be taken in order to avoid absorption of moisture and carbon dioxide by the samples, and it is advisable to store them in sealed containers. In the case of solid chemicals, the lumps, if any, shall be crushed before mixing; precautions should be taken in order to avoid the absorption of moisture and carbon dioxide during crushing.

2.3 It is assumed that, during the analyses, all the volumes are related to or measured at a temperature of approximately 20 °C, that titrations and final reactions of the determinations are also carried out at this temperature and that dilutions are carried out with distilled water or water of equal purity.

2.4 If the determinations require the introduction of reagents, in order to avoid incorrect results use only reagents of analytical reagent grade, free from or containing only a negligible content of the impurity which it is intended to determine.