
**Extenders — Specifications and
methods of test —**

**Part 12:
Muscovite-type mica**

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The main changes are as follows:

- the first part of the title has been changed to “Extenders”;
- the test method for particle size distribution in [Table 2](#) has been changed to ISO 8130-13;
- the normative references have been updated.

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Extenders — Specifications and methods of test —

Part 12: Muscovite-type mica

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and corresponding methods of test for muscovite-type mica.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 787-2, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 2: Determination of matter volatile at 105 °C*

ISO 787-3, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 3: Determination of matter soluble in water — Hot extraction method*

ISO 787-7, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 7: Determination of residue on sieve — Water method — Manual procedure*

ISO 787-9, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 9: Determination of pH value of an aqueous suspension*

ISO 787-14, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 14: Determination of resistivity of aqueous extract*

ISO 787-18, *General methods of test for pigments and extenders — Part 18: Determination of residue on sieve — Mechanical flushing procedure*

ISO 3262-1, *Extenders — Specifications and methods of test — Part 1: Introduction and general test methods*

ISO 18451-1, *Pigments, dyestuffs and extenders — Terminology — Part 1: General terms*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 18451-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

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muscovite-type mica

natural potassium aluminium silicate hydrate, $K_2O \cdot 3Al_2O_3 \cdot 6SiO_2 \cdot H_2O | KAl_2[(OH,F)_2/AlSi_3O_{10}]$, lamellar form

4 Requirements and test methods

For muscovite-type mica complying with this document, the essential requirements are specified in [Table 1](#) and the conditional requirements are listed in [Table 2](#). The test methods in [Tables 1](#) and [2](#) shall apply.

Table 1 — Essential requirements

Characteristic	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Composition			
K ₂ O	% mass fraction	9 to 12	^a
Al ₂ O ₃		30 to 40	
SiO ₂		43 to 49	
Fe ₂ O ₃ , max.		3,5	
MgO, max.		1	
Matter volatile at 105 °C, max.	% mass fraction	1	ISO 787-2 ^b
Loss on ignition, max.	% mass fraction	6,5	ISO 3262-1
Matter soluble in water (hot extraction method), max.	% mass fraction	0,5	ISO 787-3
pH-value of aqueous suspension		6 to 9 ^c	ISO 787-9
^a EN 955-2 or any other recognized method that gives the same result may be used.			
^b By agreement between the interested parties, test portions other than 10 g may be used.			
^c These values do not take account of the effect on the result of any surface treatment.			

Table 2 — Conditional requirements

Characteristic	Unit	Requirement	Test method
Residue on sieve	% mass fraction	To be agreed between the interested parties	ISO 787-7 or ISO 787-18 ^a
Particle size distribution (instrumental method)	—		ISO 8130-13
Colour	—		ISO 3262-1
Lightness	—		To be agreed between the interested parties
Resistivity of aqueous extract	Ω · m		ISO 787-14
^a As the methods give different results, the interested parties shall agree on which method is used.			

5 Test report

The test report shall contain at least the following information:

- all details necessary to identify the product tested;
- a reference to this document, i.e. ISO 3262-12:2023;
- the results of the tests, the method used, and whether or not the product complies with the relevant specification limits;
- any deviation from the test methods specified;
- any unusual features (anomalies) observed during the test;
- the dates of the tests.