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METHODS OF TEST

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The ISO Recommendation R 1869, *Methylene chloride (dichloromethane) for industrial use — Methods of test*, was drawn up by Technical Committee ISO/TC 47, *Chemistry*, the Secretariat of which is held by the Ente Nazionale Italiano di Unificazione (UNI).

Work on this question led to the adoption of Draft ISO Recommendation No. 1869, which was circulated to all the ISO Member Bodies for enquiry in June 1969. It was approved, subject to a few modifications of an editorial nature, by the following Member Bodies :

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No Member Body opposed the approval of the Draft.

This Draft ISO Recommendation was then submitted by correspondence to the ISO Council, which decided to accept it as an ISO RECOMMENDATION.

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METHODS OF TEST

1. SCOPE

This ISO Recommendation describes methods of test for methylene chloride (dichloromethane) for industrial use.

2. SAMPLING

For the preparation of the laboratory sample use the method described in ISO Recommendation R 2209, *Liquid halogenated hydrocarbons for industrial use – Sampling**.

3. DETERMINATION OF DISTILLATION RANGE AND YIELD

Use the method described in ISO Recommendation R 918, *Test method for distillation (distillation yield and distillation range)*. The following details and modifications, specific to methylene chloride, should be introduced in the above-mentioned document.

3.1 Scope

The scope of the determination is to ascertain either the temperatures corresponding to each of two volumes of distillate, *A* and *B*, or the difference between these two volumes.

These two volumes *A* and *B* should be defined in the specification for methylene chloride agreed between the parties concerned.

3.2 Thermometer

Range 39 to 51 °C or other suitable range (for example, – 2 to + 47 °C).

NOTE. – Avoid exposure of the thermometer to sunlight during the test.

3.3 Temperature of the cooling water

This should not exceed 20 °C.

3.4 Distillation rate

4 to 5 ml per minute.

3.5 Temperature correction

The thermometer correction, which is necessary only when the scope of the determination is to ascertain the two temperatures corresponding to the volumes of distillate *A* and *B*, is equal to $0.040 (760 - p) ^\circ\text{C}$ where *p* is the barometric pressure in millimetres of mercury. This correction should be added to the observed temperatures.

* At present Draft ISO Recommendation.