
Testing of concrete —
Part 4:
Strength of hardened concrete

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Partie 4: Résistance du béton durci



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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 1920-4:2005), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the requirements for compressive testing machine have been included and defined;
- the testing age and number of specimens that need to be tested have been included and defined;
- the subclause on loading (see [5.6.2](#)) has been updated.

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Testing of concrete —

Part 4: Strength of hardened concrete

1 Scope

This document specifies procedures for testing the strength of hardened concrete.

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 48-2, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of hardness — Part 2: Hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD*

ISO 679, *Cement — Test methods — Determination of strength*

ISO 1920-3, *Testing of concrete — Part 3: Making and curing test specimens*

ISO 1920-6, *Testing of concrete — Part 6: Sampling, preparing and testing of concrete cores*

ISO 2781, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of density*

ISO 3310-1, *Test sieves — Technical requirements and testing — Part 1: Test sieves of metal wire cloth*

ISO 4662, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of rebound resilience*

EN 316, *Wood fiberboards — Definition, classification and symbols*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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

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

4 Determination of compressive strength

4.1 Test specimens

The test specimen shall be:

- a cube or a cylinder in accordance with ISO 1920-3; or
- cores in accordance with ISO 1920-6.

Damaged specimens shall not be tested.