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National Foreword

This Singapore Standard was prepared by the Working Group on Methods of Test for Paints, Varnishes and Related Materials set up by the Technical Committee on Surface Coatings under the purview of CSC.

It is a revision of SS 5 : Part E3 : 2003 (2013) "Methods of test for paints, varnishes and related materials – Part E3: Visual comparison of the colour of paints".

This standard is a modified adoption of ISO 3668:2017, "Paints and varnishes – Visual comparison of colour of paints", published by the International Organization for Standardization. The deviation is as follows:

Clauses	Modification
7.2	<i>Replace "(23 ± 5) °C" with "(27 ± 2) °C".</i> <i>Explanation: To reflect the local climatic conditions.</i>

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 35, *Paints and varnishes*, Subcommittee SC 9, *General test methods for paints and varnishes*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 3668:1998), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- testing using natural daylight has been deleted;
- CIE illuminant FL 11 has been added as third type of artificial light source;
- determination of the film thickness has been deleted because it is irrelevant for the assessment of colour (the paint layer needs to be sufficient in hiding; the hiding power is more important);
- the normative references have been updated;
- the supplementary test conditions previously in Annex A have been integrated in the test report.

Methods of test for paints, varnishes and related materials – Part E3 : Visual comparison of the colour of paints

1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the visual comparison of the colour of films of paints or related products against a standard (either a reference standard or a freshly prepared standard) using artificial light sources in a standard booth.

It is not applicable to coatings containing special-effect pigments, e.g. metallic, without previous agreement on all details of illuminating and viewing conditions

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1514, *Paints and varnishes — Standard panels for testing*

ISO 3270, *Paints and varnishes and their raw materials — Temperatures and humidities for conditioning and testing*

ISO 11664-2, *Colorimetry — Part 2: CIE standard illuminants*

ISO 18314-1, *Analytical colorimetry — Part 1: Practical colour measurement*

ISO 23603, *Standard method of assessing the spectral quality of daylight simulators for visual appraisal and measurement of colour*

CIE 15.3, *Colorimetry*

CIE 51.2, *A method for assessing the quality of daylight simulators for colorimetry*