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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 A3 : 2013 “Methods of test for paints, varnishes and related materials – Part A3: Standard panels for testing”.

This standard is a modified adoption of ISO 1514:2016, “Paints and varnishes – Standard panels for testing”, published by the International Organization for Standardization. The deviations are as follows:

Clause/Subclause	Modification
3.1	<p><i>Added</i> description of steel panels intended for general testing after the first paragraph as follows:</p> <p>“Unless otherwise agreed upon between the purchaser and the seller, the steel shall be of one of the types specified below.</p> <p>Type 1 steel is a commercial quality cold-reduced type with a sheet thickness of 0.60 mm to 1.00 mm. Type CR1 steel, conforming to the requirements of ISO 3574, is a suitable commercial quality cold-reduced steel. The steel shall have a matt finish, with a surface roughness (R_a) of 0.63 μm to 1.65 μm. This finish is typical of steel used for painted surfaces on automobiles and appliances.</p> <p>Type 2 steel is a fully killed, cold-reduced type with a sheet thickness of 0.75 mm to 0.80 mm. Type CR4 steel, conforming to the requirements of ISO 3574, is a suitable fully killed cold-reduced steel. The panels shall show a minimum of surface roughness and discoloration. It is recommended that the surface roughness (R_a) of the steel, as received, does not exceed 1.2 μm.</p> <p>Type 3 steel is a commercial quality cold-reduced type with a sheet thickness of 0.25 mm to 0.60 mm. The steel shall have a smooth finish, with a surface roughness (R_a) not higher than 0.51 μm. This finish is useful for measuring colour, gloss, flexibility or adhesion of coatings, where it is desirable to minimize the effects of variability in the surface finish.”</p> <p>Explanation: Provide useful details and easy reference.</p>
5.1	<p><i>Added</i> reference to Annex ZA as follows:</p> <p>Refer to Annex ZA for characterization of some of the zinc and zinc-alloy coatings which are commercially available.</p> <p>Explanation: Provide useful details and easy reference.</p>

12.2 and 13.2 *Replaced “(23 ± 2) °C and at (50 ± 5) %” with “(27 ± 2) °C and at (80 ± 5) %”.*

Explanation: To reflect the local climatic conditions.

Annex ZA *Added Annex ZA (informative) which provides details on characterization of some of the zinc and zinc-alloy coatings which are commercially available.*

Explanation: Provide useful details and easy reference.

To facilitate identification, the technical deviation is marked by a margin on the left of the standard.

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NOTE 3 – Where numerical values are expressed as decimals, the comma is read as a full point.

For an overview of other parts to Singapore Standard 5, it is recommended to read the information in SS 5 : Part 0 “General introduction” which is issued separately.

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 35, *Paints and varnishes*, Subcommittee SC 9, *General test methods for paints and varnishes*.

This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition (ISO 1514:2004), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- a) the preparation by zinc-phosphate and chromate treatment, chromate conversion coating and acid chromating, was deleted;
- b) the following materials have been amended: coil-coated panels, plastics panels, glass-fibre reinforced plastics composite panels (GRP), carbon-fibre reinforced plastics composite panels (CFP);
- c) the former Annex B on characterization of zinc and zinc alloy coatings has been deleted;
- d) a new Annex B on common substrate panel has been added;
- e) the normative references have been updated.

Introduction

For many of the test methods most widely used for paints and varnishes, the type of panel used and the particular way in which it is prepared for use can affect the test results to a significant degree. Consequently, it is important to standardize as carefully as possible both the panels and the procedures used to prepare the panels prior to painting.

It is not possible to include in an International Standard all the types of panels and preparation needed for paint testing

This International Standard describes preparation procedures that are known to be reproducible and gives additional guidance in instances where there might still be doubt due to lack of international uniformity of the procedure.

Methods of test for paints, varnishes and related materials – Part A3 : Standard panels for testing

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies several types of standard panel and describes procedures for their preparation prior to painting. These standard panels are for use in general methods of test for paints, varnishes and related products (see Annex B).

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1268 (all parts), *Fibre-reinforced plastics — Methods of producing test plates*

ISO 2409, *Paints and varnishes — Cross-cut test*

ISO 2808, *Paints and varnishes — Determination of film thickness*

ISO 4287, *Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) — Surface texture: Profile method — Terms, definitions and surface texture parameters*

ISO 8336, *Fibre-cement flat sheets — Product specification and test methods*

ISO 11949, *Cold-reduced electrolytic tinplate*

EN 520, *Gypsum plasterboards — Definitions, requirements and test methods*

EN 622 (all parts), *Fibreboards — Specifications*

EN 1396, *Aluminium and aluminium alloys — Coil coated sheet and strip for general applications — Specifications*

EN 10205, *Cold reduced blackplate in coil form for the production of tinplate or electrolytic chromium/chromium oxide coated steel*

EN 13523-1, *Coil coated metals — Test methods — Part 1: Film thickness*

EN 13523-22, *Coil coated metals — Test methods — Part 22: Colour difference — Visual comparison*

EN 15283-2, *Gypsum boards with fibrous reinforcement — Definitions, requirements and test methods — Part 2: Gypsum fibre boards*

EN 16245-1, *Fibre-reinforced plastic composites — Declaration of raw material characteristics — Part 1: General requirements*