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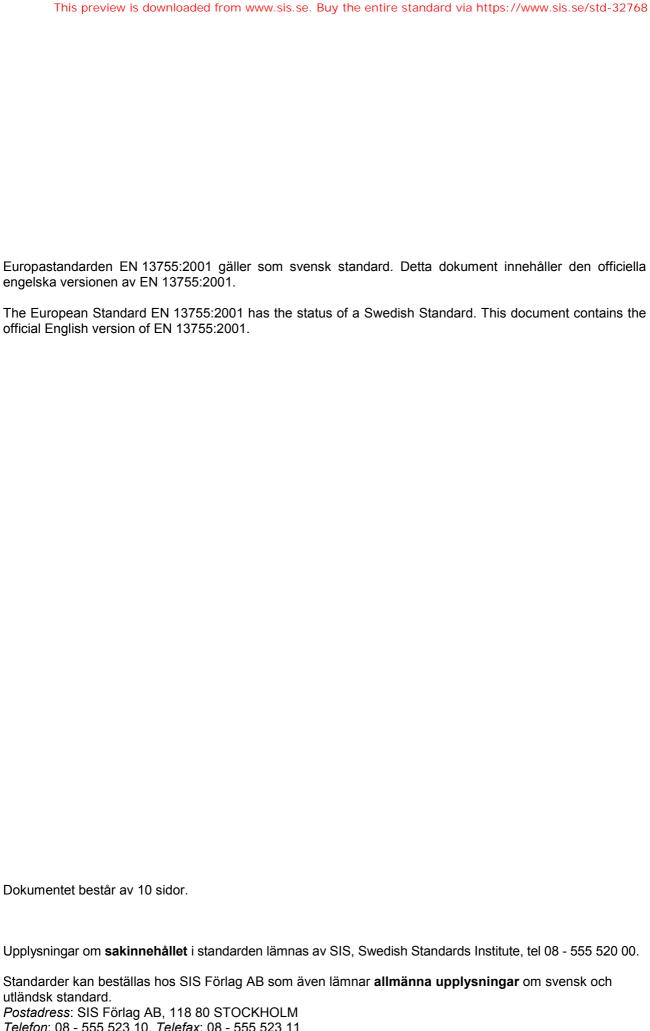
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#### **English version**

# Natural stone test methods - Determination of water absorption at atmospheric pressure

Méthodes d'essai pour pierres naturelles - Détermination de l'absorption d'eau à la pression atmosphérique

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#### **Foreword**

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 246 "Natural stones", the Secretariat of which is held by UNI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2002, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 2002.

This European Standard is one of the series of standards for tests on natural stone.

Test methods for natural stone consist of the following parts:

EN 1925, Natural stone test methods - Determination of water absorption coefficient by capillarity

EN 1926, Natural stone test methods - Determination of compressive strength

EN 12370, Natural stone test methods - Determination of resistance to salt crystallisation

EN 12372, Natural stone test methods - Determination of flexural strength under concentrated load

EN 12407, Natural stone test methods - Petrographic description

prEN 12371, Natural stone test methods - Determination of frost resistance

prEN 13161, Natural stone test methods - Determination of flexural strength under constant moment

prEN 13364, Natural stone test methods - Determination of the breaking load at a dowel hole

prEN 13373, Natural stone test methods - Determination of geometric characteristics on units

prEN 13919, Natural stone test methods - Determination of resistance to ageing by SO<sub>2</sub> action in the presence of humidity

prEN 14066, Natural stone test methods - Determination of resistance to ageing thermal shock

prEN ....(WI 00246011), Natural stone test methods - Determination of thermal dilatation coefficient

prEN ....(WI 00246012), Natural stone test methods - Determination of sound - speed propagation

prEN 14146, Natural stone test methods - Determination of dynamic elastic modulus (by fundamental resonance frequency)

prEN 14147, Natural stone test methods - Determination of resistance to ageing by salt mist

prEN 14157, Natural stone test methods - Determination of abrasion resistance

prEN 14158, Natural stone test methods - Determination of rupture energy

prEN 14205, Natural stone test methods - Determination of Knoop hardness

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prEN 14231, Natural stone test methods - Determination of slip resistance by means of the pendulum tester

prEN ....(WI 00246018), Natural stone test methods - Determination of static elastic modulus

It is intended that other ENs should call up this European Standard as the basis of evaluation of conformity. (Nevertheless it is not intended that all natural stones products should be subjected regularly to all the listed tests. Specifications in other standards should call up only relevant test methods.

According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to implement this European Standard: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

#### 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for determining the water absorption of natural stone – see EN 12670 for terminology and EN 12440 for denomination - by immersion in water at atmospheric pressure.

#### 2 Normative references

None.

#### 3 Principle

After drying to a constant mass, each specimen is weighted and then immersed in water at atmospheric pressure for a specified period of time. The ratio of the mass of water absorbed by each specimen when constant mass is reached.

#### 4 Symbols

 $m_{\rm d}$  mass of the dry specimen, in grams;

m<sub>i</sub> successive masses of the specimen during testing, in grams;

 $m_{\rm s}$  mass of the saturated specimen (after immersion in water until constant mass is reached), in grams;

 $A_{\rm b}$  water absorption at atmospheric pressure, expressed as a percentage.

#### 5 Apparatus

- **5.1** A tank with flat base comprising small non-oxidising and non-absorbent supports for the specimens.
- **5.2** A ventilated oven which can maintain a temperature of  $(70 \pm 5)$  °C.
- **5.3** A weighing instrument with an accuracy of 0,01 g.