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## Foreword

This document (EN 14580:2005) 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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by October 2005, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2005.

This document is one of the series of draft 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 1936, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of real density and apparent density, and of total and open porosity*

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 examination*

EN 13161, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of flexural strength under constant moment*

EN 13364, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of the breaking load at dowel hole*

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

EN 13755, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of water absorption at atmospheric pressure*

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

EN 14066, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of resistance to ageing by thermal shock*

EN 14147, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of resistance to ageing by salt mist*

EN 14157, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of the abrasion resistance*

EN 14158, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of rupture energy*

EN 14205, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of Knoop hardness*

EN 14231, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of the slip resistance by means of the pendulum tester*

EN 14579, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of sound speed propagation*

prEN 14580, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of static elastic modulus*

EN 14581, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of linear thermal expansion coefficient*

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## 1 Scope

The document specifies a method to determine the static elastic modulus of natural stone in uniaxial compression.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

EN 1926, *Natural stone test methods – Determination of compressive strength*

EN 12390-4, *Testing hardened concrete – Part 4: Compressive strength – Specification for testing machines*

## 3 Principle

The longitudinal deformations of a specimen under basic and upper uniaxial compressive stresses are measured. From these values the static elastic modulus is calculated.

## 4 Symbols and definitions

$E_b$  static elastic modulus in Megapascals (MPa);

$\sigma_u$  basic stress, of approximately 2 % of the mean value of the tested compressive strength, prior to the third loading cycle, in MPa;

$\sigma_o$  upper stress, of approximately 33 % of the mean value of the tested compressive strength, during the third loading cycle in MPa;

$\varepsilon_u$  mean unitary deformation under the basic stress at point A (see Figure 2);

$\varepsilon_o$  mean unitary deformation under the upper stress at point B (see Figure 2).

## 5 Apparatus

**5.1** A compression testing machine of appropriate force in accordance with EN 12390-4 and calibrated according to that standard.

**5.2** Length measuring devices (for example inductance gauges) or strain measuring devices (for example strain gauges) with a gauge length of at least ten grain diameters with a minimum of 50 mm. The apparatus shall be capable of measuring changes in strain of  $5 \text{ m/m} \times 10^{-6} \text{ m/m}$  or less.

**5.3** A ventilated oven which can maintain a temperature of  $(70 \pm 5) \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .

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**6 Preparation of the specimens**

**6.1 Sampling**

The sampling is not the responsibility of the test laboratory except where especially requested. At least six specimens shall be selected from an homogeneous batch.

**6.2 General**

The test may be carried out as an identification test or as a technological test.

In identification tests the conditioning of the specimens before testing is performed according to 6.3.5.1. For the conditioning before testing in technological tests see 6.3.5.2.

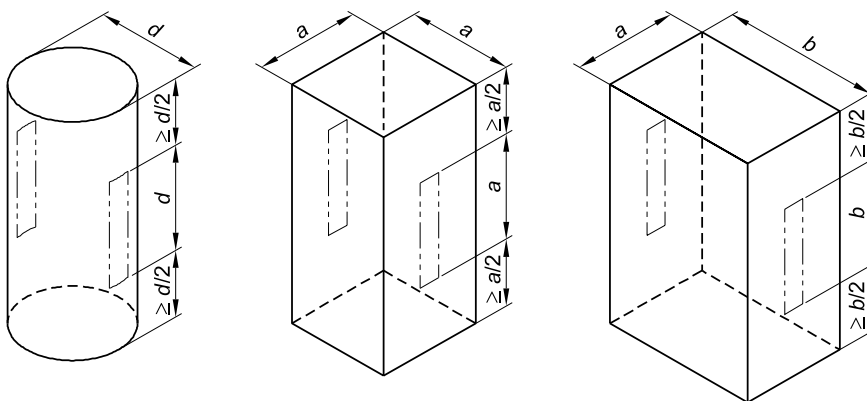
**6.3 Test specimens**

**6.3.1 Dimensions of test specimens**

The specimens shall be cylinders with a diameter ( $d$ ) or prisms with a plan dimension ( $a$ ) of 50 mm min. The diameter or the plan dimension of the specimen shall be related to the size of the largest cristal grain in the stone with a ratio of 10:1. The ratio height to diameter or height to smaller plan dimension shall be between 2 and 4.

**6.3.2 Dimensions of the gauges**

The minimum gauge length shall be the diameter or the larger plan dimension ( $b$ ) of the specimen (Figure 1).



**Figure 1 — Arrangement of the length (or strain) measuring devices**

**6.3.3 Surface finish**

**6.3.3.1 General**

The faces through which the load is to be applied shall be plane to a tolerance of 0,1 mm and shall not depart from perpendicularity to the axis of the specimen by more than 0,01 radian or 1 mm in 100 mm. The sides of the specimen shall be smooth and free of abrupt irregularities and straight to within 0,3 mm over the full length of the specimen.

To meet the above mentioned requirements, the specimen shall be finished on either lathe or surface grinder, with a final touching on a lapping machine if needed.

Capping with mortar according to the procedure indicated in 6.3.3.2 is admitted only if the indicated tolerances are not obtainable with the prescribed mechanical preparation. This condition shall be clearly indicated in the test report.