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## European foreword

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Requirements following amendment 2003/17/EC [2], 2009/30/EC [3], 2011/63/EU [4] and 2014/77/EU [5] to the European Fuels Quality Directive 98/70/EC [1], are taken into account. Dates are included with all normative test method references for properties required by Annex II of the Fuels Quality Directive in order to comply with the requirements of the European Commission; with the accompanying assurance by CEN/TC 19 that any referenced updated versions will always give similar accuracy and the same or better precision (see [4]).

The marking at the pump of this product is in line with the requirements of the Fuels Quality Directive and the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Directive [7].

Further significant technical changes between this document and the previous edition are:

- Inclusion of the amended EN 14214 FAME specification.
- Update to the normative references towards undated versions where they don't concern requirements originating from European Directives (in line with decisions by CEN/TC 19 in coordination with the European Commission), and updating the effective publication dates where required.
- Introduction of the new section “Terms and Definitions”.
- Correct use of the decimal point in limits has been implemented to align with test method reporting requirements (Rancimat by EN 15751) and the European Fuels Directive 98/70/EC [1], including subsequent Amendments [2], [3], [4] and [5] (distillation 95 % (V/V) recovered).
- Deletion of the Fuel Ignition Tester (EN 16144) as an alternative test method for cetane number determination due to its absence of use in the market. Whereas the BASF engine (EN 16906) and the ICN technique (EN 17155) have now been included as alternative methods for cetane number determination.
- Addition of micro-distillation (EN 17306) as an alternative test method to distillation by EN ISO 3405 and EN ISO 3924.
- Addition of automated method (EN ISO 22995) as an alternative test method to cloud point by EN ISO 3015.

- Addition of the Stabinger viscometer (ISO 23581) as an alternative test method to viscosity by EN ISO 3104.
- Addition of oxidation stability by rapid small scale oxidation method (EN 16091) as an alternative test method to oxidation stability by EN 15751 for diesel fuel containing FAME above 2,0 % (V/V).
- Deletion of Annex A and changes to 6.5.1 in relation to test method precision data for diesel fuel containing FAME.
- Update to the 'workmanship clause' in 6.5.3 to address the issue of abrasive wear of fuel injection equipment by hard particles in diesel fuel.
- Introduction of further clarification around the lubricity requirement in Table 1.
- Reduction of the minimum density limit for Grades D, E and F, moving the property from Table 1 to Table 2.
- Clarification of the dispute requirement concerning sulfur content in 6.7.3.
- Deletion of the allowance for cetane alternative methods in 6.7.4.
- Addition of 6.7.10 to address situations in which the test method includes a bias-correction to the dispute method.

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and test methods for marketed and delivered automotive diesel fuel. It is applicable to automotive diesel fuel for use in diesel engine vehicles designed to run on automotive diesel fuel containing up to 7,0 % (V/V) Fatty Acid Methyl Ester (FAME).

NOTE For the purposes of this document, the terms “% (m/m)” and “% (V/V)” are used to represent respectively the mass fraction and the volume fraction.

## 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.

EN 116, *Diesel and domestic heating fuels - Determination of cold filter plugging point - Stepwise cooling bath method*

EN 12662, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of total contamination in middle distillates, diesel fuels and fatty acid methyl esters*

EN 12916:2019, *Petroleum products - Determination of aromatic hydrocarbon types in middle distillates - High performance liquid chromatography method with refractive index detection*

EN 14078:2014, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) content in middle distillates - Infrared spectrometry method*

EN 14214:2012+A2:2019, *Liquid petroleum products - Fatty acid methyl esters (FAME) for use in diesel engines and heating applications - Requirements and test methods*

EN 15195:2014, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of ignition delay and derived cetane number (DCN) of middle distillate fuels by combustion in a constant volume chamber*

EN 15751, *Automotive fuels - Fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) fuel and blends with diesel fuel - Determination of oxidation stability by accelerated oxidation method*

EN 16091, *Liquid petroleum products - Middle distillates and fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) fuels and blends - Determination of oxidation stability by rapid small scale oxidation method*

EN 16329, *Diesel and domestic heating fuels - Determination of cold filter plugging point - Linear cooling bath method*

EN 16576:2014, *Automotive fuels - Determination of manganese and iron content in diesel - Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP OES) method*

EN 16715:2015, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of ignition delay and derived cetane number (DCN) of middle distillate fuels - Ignition delay and combustion delay determination using a constant volume combustion chamber with direct fuel injection*

EN 16906:2017, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of the ignition quality of diesel fuels - BASF engine method*

EN 16942, *Fuels - Identification of vehicle compatibility - Graphical expression for consumer information*

EN 17155:2018, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of indicated cetane number (ICN) of middle distillate fuels - Primary reference fuels calibration method using a constant volume combustion chamber*

EN 17306:2019, *Liquid petroleum products - Determination of distillation characteristics at atmospheric pressure - Micro-distillation*

EN ISO 2160, *Petroleum products - Corrosiveness to copper - Copper strip test (ISO 2160)*

EN ISO 2719, *Determination of flash point - Pensky-Martens closed cup method (ISO 2719)*

EN ISO 3015, *Petroleum and related products from natural or synthetic sources - Determination of cloud point (ISO 3015)*

EN ISO 3104, *Petroleum products - Transparent and opaque liquids - Determination of kinematic viscosity and calculation of dynamic viscosity (ISO 3104)*

EN ISO 3170, *Petroleum liquids - Manual sampling (ISO 3170)*

EN ISO 3171, *Petroleum liquids - Automatic pipeline sampling (ISO 3171)*

EN ISO 3405:2019, *Petroleum and related products from natural or synthetic sources - Determination of distillation characteristics at atmospheric pressure (ISO 3405:2019)*

EN ISO 3675:1998, *Crude petroleum and liquid petroleum products - Laboratory determination of density - Hydrometer method (ISO 3675:1998)*

EN ISO 3924:2019, *Petroleum products - Determination of boiling range distribution - Gas chromatography method (ISO 3924:2019)*

EN ISO 4259-2, *Petroleum and related products - Precision of measurement methods and results - Part 2: Interpretation and application of precision data in relation to methods of test (ISO 4259-2)*

EN ISO 4264, *Petroleum products - Calculation of cetane index of middle-distillate fuels by the four variable equation (ISO 4264)*

EN ISO 5165:2020, *Petroleum products - Determination of the ignition quality of diesel fuels - Cetane engine method (ISO 5165:2020)*

EN ISO 6245, *Petroleum products - Determination of ash (ISO 6245)*

EN ISO 10370, *Petroleum products - Determination of carbon residue - Micro method (ISO 10370)*

EN ISO 12156-1, *Diesel fuel - Assessment of lubricity using the high-frequency reciprocating rig (HFRR) - Part 1: Test method (ISO 12156-1)*

EN ISO 12185:1996, *Crude petroleum and petroleum products - Determination of density - Oscillating U-tube method (ISO 12185:1996)*

EN ISO 12205, *Petroleum products - Determination of the oxidation stability of middle-distillate fuels (ISO 12205)*

EN ISO 12937, *Petroleum products - Determination of water - Coulometric Karl Fischer titration method (ISO 12937)*