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properties —**

**Part 5:
Test conditions for unidirectional
fibre-reinforced plastic composites**

Plastiques — Détermination des propriétés en traction —

*Partie 5: Conditions d'essai pour les composites plastiques renforcés
de fibres unidirectionnelles*



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Foreword

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- gripping force or pressure (e.g. via torque or manometer depending on gripping system used) has been adjusted;
- a new [Annex B](#) (Use of unbonded tabs and conditions for gripping tab-less specimens using fine grip faces) has been added.

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Part 5:

Test conditions for unidirectional fibre-reinforced plastic composites

1 Scope

This document specifies the test conditions for the determination of the tensile properties of unidirectional fibre-reinforced plastic composites, based upon the general principles given in ISO 527-1.

NOTE Isotropic and orthotropic reinforced materials are covered by ISO 527-4.

The methods are used to investigate the tensile behaviour of the test specimens and for determining the tensile strength, tensile modulus, Poisson's ratios and other aspects of the tensile stress-strain relationship under the conditions defined.

The test method is suitable for all polymer matrix systems reinforced with unidirectional fibres and which meet the requirements, including failure mode, set out in this document.

The method is suitable for composites with either thermoplastic or thermosetting matrices, including prepregged materials (prepregs). The reinforcements covered include carbon fibres, glass fibres, aramid fibres and other similar fibres. The reinforcement geometries covered include unidirectional (i.e. completely aligned) fibres and rovings and unidirectional fabrics and tapes.

The method is not normally suitable for multidirectional materials composed of several unidirectional layers at different angles (see ISO 527-4).

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.

ISO 527-1:2019, *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 1: General principles*

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

ISO 2818, *Plastics — Preparation of test specimens by machining*

ISO 16012, *Plastics — Determination of linear dimensions of test specimens*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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