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## Foreword

This document (EN 13121-1:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 210, "GRP tanks and vessels", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association and supports essential requirements of EU directive(s).

For relationship with EU-Directive(s), see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

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## Introduction

EN 13121 consists of the following parts under the general title "GRP tanks and vessels for use above ground":

*Part 1 — Raw materials – Specification conditions and acceptance conditions*

*Part 2 — Composite materials – Chemical resistance*

*Part 3 — Design and workmanship*

*Part 4 — Delivery, installation and maintenance*

These four Parts together define the responsibilities of the tank or vessel manufacturers, the materials manufacturers or suppliers and the purchasers.

The design and manufacture of GRP tanks and vessels involve a number of different materials such as resins, plastics and reinforcing fibres and a number of different manufacturing methods. It is implicit that tanks and vessels conforming to this European Standard should be made only by manufacturers and operators who are competent and suitably equipped to fulfil all requirements, using materials manufactured by competent and experienced material manufacturers.

Part 1 of this standard specifies the requirements for specification conditions and acceptance conditions for raw materials — resins, curing agents, thermoplastic linings, reinforcing materials and additives — in terms of both material technical properties and the manufacturing process. These requirements are necessary in order to establish the chemical resistance properties determined in Part 2 and the mechanical, thermal and design properties determined in Part 3. Together with the workmanship principles determined in Part 3, specification conditions and acceptance conditions for raw materials ensure that the tank or vessel will be able to meet its design requirements, particularly in terms of its chemical/thermal resistance and pressure and load supporting requirements. Part 4 of this standard specifies requirements for delivery, handling and installation and recommendations for maintenance of GRP tanks and vessels.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard gives requirements for specification and acceptance conditions of raw materials for GRP tanks and vessels with or without lining for storage or processing of fluids, factory made or site built, non pressurised or pressurised, for use above ground.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 59, *Glass reinforced plastics — Measurement of hardness by means of a Barcol impressor.*

EN 10204:1991, *Metallic products — Types of inspection documents.*

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EN 29092, *Textiles — Nonwovens — Definition.*

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EN ISO 178, *Plastics — Determination of flexural properties (ISO 178:2001).*

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EN ISO 472:2001, *Plastics — Vocabulary (ISO 472:1999).*

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EN ISO 868, *Plastics and ebonite — Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness) (ISO 868:2003).*

EN ISO 1133, *Plastics — Determination of the melt mass-flow rate (MFR) and the melt volume-flow rate (MVR) of thermoplastics (ISO 1133:1997).*

EN ISO 1163-1:1999, *Plastics — Unplasticized poly (vinyl chloride) (PVC-U) moulding and extrusion materials — Part 1: Designation system and basis for specifications (ISO 1163-1:1995).*

EN ISO 1675, *Plastics — Liquid resins — Determination of density by the pycnometer method (ISO 1675:1985).*

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EN ISO 2114:2000, *Plastics (polyester resins) and paints and varnishes (binders) - Determination of partial acid value and total acid value (ISO 2114:2000).*

EN ISO 2535:2002, *Plastics — Unsaturated polyester resins — Measurement of gel time at ambient temperature (ISO 2535:2001).*

EN ISO 2554, *Plastics — Unsaturated polyester resins — Determination of hydroxyl value (ISO 2554:1997).*

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EN ISO 3219, *Plastics — Polymers/resins in the liquid state or as emulsions or dispersions — Determination of viscosity using a rotational viscometer with defined shear rate (ISO 3219:1993).*

EN ISO 3251:2003, *Paints, varnishes and plastics - Determination of non-volatile-matter content (ISO 3251:2003).*

EN ISO 3344, *Reinforcement products — Determination of moisture content (ISO 3344:1997).*

EN ISO 6721-2, *Plastics — Determination of dynamic mechanical properties — Part 2: Torsion-pendulum method (ISO 6721-2:1994, including Technical Corrigendum 1:1995).*

EN ISO 9073-1, *Textiles - Test methods for nonwovens - Part 1: Determination of mass per unit area.*

EN ISO 9073-2, *Textiles - Test methods for nonwovens - Part 2: Determination of thickness (EN ISO 9073-2:1995).*

EN ISO 9073-3, *Textiles - Test methods for nonwovens - Part 3: Determination of tensile strength and elongation.*

EN ISO 9702, *Plastics — Amine epoxide hardeners — Determination of primary, secondary and tertiary amine group nitrogen content (ISO 9702:1996).*

EN ISO 9771, *Plastics — Phenolic resins — Determination of the pseudo-adiabatic temperature rise of liquid resols when cured under acid conditions (ISO 9771:1995).*

ISO 1183, *Plastics — Methods for determining the density and relative density of non-cellular plastics.*

ISO 1887, *Textile glass — Determination of combustible-matter content.*

ISO 2113, *Reinforcement fibres — Woven fabrics — Basis for a specification.*

ISO 2211, *Liquid chemical products — Measurement of colour in Hazen units (platinum-cobalt scale).*

ISO 2559, *Textile glass — Mats (made from chopped or continuous strands) — Designation and basis for specifications.*

ISO 2797, *Textile glass — Rovings — Basis for a specification.*

ISO 3374, *Reinforcement products – Mats and fabrics — Determination of mass per unit area.*

ISO 5661, *Petroleum products — Hydrocarbon liquids — Determination of refractive index.*