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### Foreword

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 11403-1:2014), which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— ISO 13586, ISO 15850 and ISO 17281 are deleted in Bibliography.

A list of all parts in the ISO 11403 series can be found on the ISO website.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at [www.iso.org/members.html](http://www.iso.org/members.html).

## Introduction

This document has been prepared because users of plastics sometimes find that available data cannot be used readily to compare the properties of similar materials, especially when the data have been supplied by different sources. Even when the same standard tests have been used, they often allow the adoption of a wide range of alternative test conditions, and the data obtained are not necessarily comparable. The purpose of this document is to identify specific methods and conditions of test to be used for the acquisition and presentation of data in order that valid comparisons between materials can be made.

The ISO 10350 series<sup>[1]</sup> is concerned with single-point data. Such data represent the most basic method for characterizing materials and are useful for the initial stages of material selection. This document identifies test conditions and procedures for the measurement and presentation of a more substantial quantity of data. Each property here is characterized by multipoint data which demonstrate how that property depends upon important variables such as time, temperature and environmental effects. Additional properties are also considered in this document. These data therefore enable more discriminating decisions to be made regarding a material's suitability for a particular application. Some data are also considered adequate for undertaking predictions of performance in service and of optimum processing conditions for moulding a component, although it should be recognized that, for purposes of design, additional data are often needed. One reason for this is that some properties are strongly dependent upon the physical structure of the material. The test procedures referred to in this document employ, where possible, the multipurpose tensile bar, and the polymer structure in this test specimen can be significantly different from that in specific regions of a moulded component. Under these circumstances, therefore, the data are not suitable for accurate design calculations for product performance. The material supplier should be consulted for specific information on the applicability of data.

ISO 10350 and the ISO 11403 series together define the means for acquiring and presenting a core set of comparable data for use in material selection. Use of these International Standards should result in a rationalization of effort and a reduction of cost associated with provision of these data. Furthermore, reference to these International Standards simplifies the development of data models for the computerized storage and exchange of data concerning material properties.

Where appropriate, values for test variables have been specified by this document. For some tests however, owing to the wide range of conditions over which different plastics perform, this document gives guidance in the selection of certain test conditions so that they cover the operating range for that polymer. Because, in general, the properties and performance specifications for different polymers differ widely, there is no obligation to generate data under all the test conditions specified in this document.

Data on a wide range of properties are needed to enable plastics to be selected and used in the large variety of applications to which they are suited. ISO standards describe experimental procedures which are suitable for the acquisition of relevant information on many of these properties. The ISO 11403 series has therefore been divided into parts so that each part can be developed independently. In this way, additional properties can be included as new or revised standards become available.



# Plastics — Acquisition and presentation of comparable multipoint data —

## Part 1: Mechanical properties

### 1 Scope

This document specifies test procedures for the acquisition and presentation of multipoint data on the following mechanical properties of plastics:

- dynamic modulus;
- tensile properties at constant test speed;
- ultimate stress and strain;
- tensile stress-strain curves;
- tensile creep;
- Charpy impact strength;
- puncture impact behaviour.

The test methods and test conditions apply predominantly to those plastics that can be injection- or compression-moulded or prepared as sheets of specified thickness from which specimens of the appropriate size can be machined.

### 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 179-1, *Plastics — Determination of Charpy impact properties — Part 1: Non-instrumented impact test*

ISO 179-2, *Plastics — Determination of Charpy impact properties — Part 2: Instrumented impact test*

ISO 293, *Plastics — Compression moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials*

ISO 294-1, *Plastics — Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials — Part 1: General principles, and moulding of multipurpose and bar test specimens*

ISO 294-3, *Plastics — Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials — Part 3: Small plates*

ISO 295, *Plastics — Compression moulding of test specimens of thermosetting materials*

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

ISO 527-2, *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 2: Test conditions for moulding and extrusion plastics*

ISO 899-1, *Plastics — Determination of creep behaviour — Part 1: Tensile creep*

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

ISO 6603-2, *Plastics — Determination of puncture impact behaviour of rigid plastics — Part 2: Instrumented impact testing*

ISO 6721-2, *Plastics — Determination of dynamic mechanical properties — Part 2: Torsion-pendulum method*

ISO 6721-4, *Plastics — Determination of dynamic mechanical properties — Part 4: Tensile vibration — Non-resonance method*

ISO 10724-1, *Plastics — Injection moulding of test specimens of thermosetting powder moulding compounds (PMCs) — Part 1: General principles and moulding of multipurpose test specimens*

ISO 10724-2, *Plastics — Injection moulding of test specimens of thermosetting powder moulding compounds (PMCs) — Part 2: Small plates*

ISO 20753, *Plastics — Test specimens*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

**3.1**  
**multipoint data**  
data characterizing the behaviour of a plastics material by means of a number of test results for a property measured over a range of test conditions

### 4 Specimen preparation

In the preparation of specimens by injection or compression moulding, the procedures described in ISO 293, ISO 294-1 and ISO 294-3, ISO 295 or ISO 10724-1 and ISO 10724-2 shall be used. The method of moulding and the conditions depends upon the material being moulded. If these conditions are specified in the International Standard appropriate to the material, then they shall be adopted, where possible, for the preparation of every specimen on which data are obtained using this document. For those plastics for which moulding conditions have not yet been standardized, the conditions employed shall be within the range recommended by the polymer manufacturer and shall, for each of the processing methods, be the same for every specimen. Where moulding conditions are not stipulated in any International Standard, the values used for the parameters in [Table 1](#) shall be recorded with the data for that material.

Where specimens are prepared by machining from sheet, the machining shall be performed in accordance with ISO 2818.