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Foreword

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- Part 2: *Methods of test*;
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 - Section 2.3: *Appearance of water*;
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 - Section 2.6: *The extraction of metals*;
- Part 3: *High temperature tests*;
- Part 4: *Method for the GCMS identification of water leachable organic substances*.

Information about this document

This is a full revision of the standard, and introduces the following principal changes:

- New definitions for the terms multi-layered product (see 3.2), inradius (3.5), thermoplastic material (3.6), thermosetting material (3.7), cure (3.8), solvent cement (3.10) and porous seal coat (3.11) have been provided.
- The specification of metal couplings has been changed (see 4.2.2).
- A new requirement for porous seal coats has been added (see 6.13.2).
- New requirements for *in-situ* applied pipe linings and coatings (see 7.2), resin anchors (7.7) and solvent cements (7.8) have been added.
- Reporting requirements have been amended (see Clause 9).

Hazard warnings

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Use of this document

It has been assumed in the preparation of this part of BS 6920 that the execution of its provisions will be entrusted to appropriately qualified and experienced people, for whose use it has been produced.

Presentational conventions

The provisions of this standard are presented in roman (i.e. upright) type. Its methods are expressed as a set of instructions, a description, or in sentences in which the principal auxiliary verb is "shall".

Commentary, explanation and general informative material is presented in smaller italic type, and does not constitute a normative element.

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1 Scope

This section of BS 6920 describes the preparation of test samples of all types of non-metallic (including cementitious) materials and products, including water fittings and components, pipes and materials used in coating, protection, lining, jointing, sealing and lubrication, for their suitability for use in contact with water intended for human consumption, with regard to their effect on the quality of the water.

This standard does not cover metallic materials and products, unless they will be used in conjunction with a non-metallic material, e.g. coating.

NOTE Under the relevant National Regulations [1] to [7], the National Regulator may specify additional provisions in some cases and will assess the significance of the results obtained.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

BS 864-2, *Capillary and compression tube fittings of copper and copper alloy – Part 2: Specification for capillary and compression fittings for copper tubes*

BS 887:1982, *Specification for precision vernier callipers*

BS 4372:1968, *Specification for engineers' steel measuring rules*

BS 6920-1:2014, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 1: Specification*

BS 6920-2.2.2, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 2: Methods of test – Section 2.2: Odour and flavour of water – Subsection 2.2.2: Method of testing odours and flavours imparted to water by multi-layered hoses and composite pipes and tubes*

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BS 6920-2.3, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 2: Methods of test – Section 2.3: Appearance of water*

BS 6920-2.4, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 2: Methods of test – Section 2.4: Growth of aquatic microorganisms test*

BS 6920-2.5, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 2: Methods of test – Section 2.5: The extraction of substances that may be of concern to public health*

BS 6920-2.6, *Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water – Part 2: Methods of test – Section 2.6: The extraction of metals*