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Foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the title has been changed to “*Hardmetals — Sampling and testing*”;
- [Clause 2](#) has been revised;
- in [Table 1](#), second row: the reference to ISO 3326 has been replaced;
- in [Table 1](#), fourth row: the reference has been replaced by ISO 3738-1 and ISO 3738-2;
- in [Table 1](#), fifth row: the reference to ISO 3878 has been replaced by ISO 6507-1, ISO 6507-2, ISO 6507-3 and ISO 6507-4;
- in [Table 2](#), a new second row has been added;
- in [Table 2](#), third row: the reference has been replaced by ISO 4499-1, ISO 4499-2 and ISO 4499-3;
- in [Table 2](#), fourth row: the reference has been replaced by ISO 4499-4;
- in [Table 2](#), a new fifth row has been added;
- the Bibliography has been added.

Hardmetals — Sampling and testing

1 Scope

This document specifies procedures for sampling and testing of hardmetals for the determination of their physical and mechanical characteristics.

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 3369, *Impermeable sintered metal materials and hardmetals — Determination of density*

ISO 3738-1, *Hardmetals — Rockwell hardness test (scale A) — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 3738-2, *Hardmetals — Rockwell hardness test (scale A) — Part 2: Preparation and calibration of standard test blocks*

ISO 6507-1, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 6507-2, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 2: Verification and calibration of testing machines*

ISO 6507-3, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 3: Calibration of reference blocks*

ISO 6507-4, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 4: Tables of hardness values*

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

lot

defined quantity of presumably uniform sintered parts of a single type, size and grade

3.2

test sample

one or more units taken from a *lot* (3.1) for the determination of characteristics

4 Sampling

Hardmetal parts are supplied in a wide range of sizes and quantities and for a wide range of applications. Also, the determination of physical and mechanical characteristics is time consuming and sometimes of a destructive nature. It is therefore neither desirable nor practical to employ a sample quantity comparable with that normally employed for checking dimensional features. The degree of consistency of a lot can therefore only be determined economically in the course of production control. For confirmation of the grade of hardmetal, it is usually sufficient to take a test sample of one unit.