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## **Foreword**

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## Introduction

This document takes into account the distinction between processes or operations and the methods or machines for carrying them out.

[Clause 3](#) is devoted primarily to coal properties and the principal operations involved in coal preparation, and also includes general terms such as those relating to capacities and flowsheets.

[Clauses 4](#) to [7](#) cover the detailed terminology relating to sizing, cleaning, separation of solids from water or air, and size reduction.

[Clause 8](#) deals with the terms involved in interpreting or expressing the results of coal preparation operations.

[Clause 9](#) includes some miscellaneous terms.

[Clause 10](#) covers terms related to blending and homogenization.

[Clause 11](#) covers terms related to automatic control. Of necessity, it covers only a limited selection of terms. A list of other International Standards, which together provide a more comprehensive set of terms, is given in Bibliography.

Most of the clauses are subdivided, and in each case the first subclause includes general terms and the remaining subclauses cover groups of related terms. As far as possible, this logical principle has been carried through into the arrangement of the terms themselves, which are also numbered for ease of reference. An alphabetical index is also provided, with a numerical cross-reference.



# Coal and coke — Vocabulary —

## Part 1: Terms relating to coal preparation

### 1 Scope

This document defines terms commonly employed in coal preparation.

Note For terms relating to petrographic analysis, see ISO 7404-1.

### 2 Normative reference

There are no normative references in this document.

### 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 General coal preparation terms

##### 3.1.1

##### **coal preparation**

collectively, physical and mechanical processes applied to coal to make it suitable for a particular use

##### 3.1.2

##### **run of mine**

r.o.m.

##### **r.o.m. coal**

coal produced by mining operations, before screening, *crushing* (7.1.2) or preparation

##### 3.1.3

##### **raw coal**

coal that has received no preparation other than possibly *screening* (4.2.1) or *crushing* (7.1.2)

##### 3.1.4

##### **raw coal feed**

*raw coal* (3.1.3) supplied to a plant or machine, in which it undergoes some form of preparation

##### 3.1.5

##### **coal cleaning**

treatment of *raw coal* (3.1.3) to lower the quantity of undesirable constituents, through the difference in either density or surface properties