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### Foreword

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- EN 571-3 Non-destructive testing – penetrant testing – Part 3: Reference test blocks

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## 1 Scope

This standard defines a method of penetrant testing used to detect discontinuities, e.g. cracks, laps, folds, porosity and lack of fusion, which are open to the surface of the material to be tested. It is mainly applied to metallic materials, but can also be performed on other materials, provided that they are inert to the test media and they are not excessively porous. Examples of which are castings, forgings, welds, ceramics, etc.

This standard is not intended to be used for acceptance criteria and gives no information relating to the suitability of individual test systems for specific applications nor requirements for test equipment.

The term "discontinuity" is used here in the sense that no evaluation concerning acceptability or non-acceptability is included.

Methods for determining and monitoring the essential properties of penetrant testing products to be used are specified in EN 571-2 and EN 571-3.

## 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.

- EN 473 Qualification and certification of NDT personnel - General principles
- prEN 571-2 Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing - Part 2: Testing of penetrant materials<sup>1)</sup>
- prEN 571-3 Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing - Part 3: Reference test blocks<sup>1)</sup>
- prEN 956 Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing - Equipment
- prEN 1330-6 Non-destructive testing - Terminology - Part 6: Terms used in penetrant systems<sup>1)</sup>
- prEN 1956 Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing and magnetic particle testing - Viewing conditions<sup>1)</sup>

## 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard the definitions of prEN 1330-6 apply.

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<sup>1)</sup>) In preparation