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Foreword

Publishing information

This part of BS 1924 is published by BSI Standards Limited, under licence from The British Standards Institution, and came into effect on 31 March 2018. It was prepared by Subcommittee B/510/4, *Cementitious bound materials, unbound granular materials, waste materials and marginal materials*, under the authority of Technical Committee B/510, *Road materials*. A list of organizations represented on these committees can be obtained on request to their secretary.

Supersession

This part of BS 1924 supersedes BS 1924-1:1990, which is withdrawn.

Relationship with other publications

The tests for materials in the untreated condition are given in BS 1924-1, either by reference to other British Standards or in full.

The tests for materials in the treated condition are given in BS 1924-2, either by reference to other British Standards or in full.

Information about this document

BS 1924 provides tests for soil and/or aggregate treatment employing solely or in combination: cement, granulated blast furnace slag (gbs), ground granulated blast furnace slag (ggbs), (coal) fly ash and/or lime. Gbs and ggbs are hydraulic materials that require activation by the addition of lime and/or sulfate or products that contain these compounds. Coal fly ash exists in two forms: calcareous fly ash and siliceous fly ash. The former is hydraulic, i.e. cementitious, in its own right; the latter is pozzolanic and needs activation by lime or cement.

BS 1924 contains the full range of tests required before and after treatment, whether improvement, modification or stabilization. This standard is also suitable for the testing of hydraulically bound granular mixtures detailed in BS EN 14227-1 to BS EN 14227-5, and hydraulically stabilized soils in BS EN 14227-15.

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

- rewording of the title and the addition of the term hydraulically bound materials;
- removal or replacement of withdrawn or superseded British Standards;
- alignment of sampling with BS EN 932-1;
- introduction of new terminology, including treated material, untreated material and treating agents;
- change of title to reflect the wider scope of this revision, which is intended to cover, in addition to cement and lime, the use of other treating agents.

This revision includes all the tests, with minor exceptions, for materials treated with cement and lime that were included in the 1990 edition.

Lime, and to a lesser extent other treating agents, can also be used to improve rather than to stabilize a material. “Improvement” refers to measures taken to improve the handling and compactability of a soil rather than its structural properties and durability characteristics. This can mean that the material retains many of the properties of soil. The process can be used, for example, to render an unsuitable material suitable for use by reducing moisture content or modifying the plasticity

characteristics. The tests in this standard are applicable for the determination of such changes in material properties. With cohesive soils and materials such as shales and mudstones, improvement includes property changes termed "modification", which involves a reduction in plasticity and thus an improvement to the soil/material. Modification only occurs within clays, including the clay fractions of mixed materials.

Use of this document

It has been assumed in the drafting of this part of BS 1924 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.

Where words have alternative spellings, the preferred spelling of the Shorter Oxford English Dictionary is used (e.g. "organization" rather than "organisation").

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1 Scope

This part of BS 1924 specifies sampling procedures, sample preparation and preliminary tests carried out on materials in the untreated condition to assess their suitability for treatment. It includes laboratory specimen preparation up to and including the addition of the treating agent(s).

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes provisions 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.

BS 593:1989, *Specification for laboratory thermometers*

BS 1377-3, *Methods of test for soils for civil engineering purposes — Part 3: Chemical and electro-chemical tests*

BS 1924-2, *Hydraulically-bound and stabilized materials for civil engineering purposes — Part 2: Sampling, sample preparation and testing of materials during and after treatment*

BS 6543, *Guide to use of industrial by-products and waste materials in building and civil engineering*

BS EN 932-1, *Tests for general properties of aggregates — Part 1: Methods for sampling*

BS EN 932-2, *Tests for general properties of aggregates — Part 2: Methods for reducing laboratory samples*

BS EN 933-1, *Tests for geometrical properties of aggregates — Part 1: Determination of particle size distribution — Sieving method*

BS EN 1097-2, *Tests for mechanical and physical properties of aggregates — Part 2: Methods for the determination of resistance to fragmentation*

BS EN 1744-1, *Tests for chemical properties of aggregates — Part 1: Chemical analysis*

BS EN 12620, *Aggregates for concrete*

BS EN 14227-4, *Hydraulically bound mixtures — Specifications — Part 4: Fly ash for hydraulically bound mixtures*

BS EN ISO 3611, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Dimensional measuring equipment: Micrometers for external measurements — Design and metrological characteristics*

BS EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods*

BS EN ISO 4787, *Laboratory glassware — Volumetric instruments — Methods for testing of capacity and for use*

BS EN ISO 10012, *Measurement management systems — Requirements for measurement processes and measuring equipment*

BS EN ISO 17025, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.*

BS EN ISO 17892-1, *Geotechnical investigation and testing — Laboratory testing of soil — Part 1: Determination of water content*

BS ISO 3310-2, *Test sieves — Technical requirements and testing — Part 2: Test sieves of perforated metal plate*

