

Australian Standard[®]

Methods for sampling and testing aggregates

Method 8: Water-soluble fraction of filler

1 SCOPE This Standard sets out the method for the determination of the water-soluble fraction of a filler for asphalt.

2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS The following document is referred to in this Standard:

AS

1141 Methods for sampling and testing aggregates

1141.2 Method 2: Basic testing equipment

3 APPARATUS The following apparatus, complying with the relevant provisions of AS 1141.2, is required:

- (a) *Balance*—of at least 100 g capacity, with a limit of performance not exceeding ± 0.005 g.
- (b) *Flask*—200 mL Erlenmeyer flask.
- (c) *Mechanical shaker or stirrer*.
- (d) *Oven*—a drying oven, of operating temperature 105°C to 110°C.
- (e) *Sintered glass crucible*—G4 with plate 30 mm diameter.

4 PROCEDURE The test procedure shall be as follows:

- (a) Dry the filler to constant mass in the oven at a temperature of 105°C to 110°C.
- (b) Place approximately 10 g of the dried filler into a previously weighed 200 mL Erlenmeyer flask, weigh flask and contents, calculate the mass of the filler (m_1) to the nearest 0.01 g and add 100 mL of distilled water at $23 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$.
- (c) Shake well by hand until no lumps can be observed; then with the mechanical shaker or stirrer agitate at laboratory room temperature for a period of 1 h.
- (d) Filter the material through a previously weighed sintered glass crucible which has been dried to constant mass at 105°C to 110°C, and wash all residue from the flask into the crucible with distilled water from a wash bottle.
- (e) Wash the residue in the crucible with three separate quantities of distilled water, draining completely between washings.
- (f) Dry the crucible and residue to constant mass in an oven at 105°C to 110°C. Determine the mass of the dried crucible and residue to the nearest 0.01 g. Calculate the mass of the residue (m_2).