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(First Revision)

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FOREWORD

This Indian Standard (First Revision) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, after the draft finalized by the Cement and Concrete Sectional Committee had been approved by the Civil Engineering Division Council.

The Bureau of Indian Standards has formulated a series of standards on different types of cement and methods of tests of cement. As it has been recognized that reliable and reproducible test results could be obtained only with standard types of testing equipment which are capable of giving the desired level of accuracy, a series of specifications covering the requirements of testing equipment have been brought out to encourage the development and manufacture of standard testing equipment for cement testing in the country.

This standard was first brought out in 1969. The present revision has been taken up to incorporate the modifications found necessary in order to align this standard with EN 1966 1989 'Methods of testing cement: Determination of fineness'. The major modifications include changes in some dimensions of the apparatus, provision of rubber tube and aspirator bulb in the monometer and recommendation of inscription of a mark on centre position of the perforated disc on one side to ensure correct and uniform placing of disc. In this revision, the extent of smoothness of the internal wall of the permeability cell has also been defined in addition to making reference to the latest version of the relevant Indian Standard.

The Composition of the Committee responsible for the formulation of this standard is given at Annex A.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied, the final value, observed or calculated expressing the result of test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS 2 : 1960 'Rules for rounding off numerical values (*revised*)'. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

Indian Standard

VARIABLE FLOW TYPE AIR-PERMEABILITY APPARATUS (BLAINE TYPE) – SPECIFICATION

(First Revision)

1 SCOPE

This standard covers the requirements of variable flow type air-permeability apparatus (Blaine type) and its accessories used for determination of specific surface of cements, pozzolanas and other powdery materials.

2 REFERENCES

The following Indian Standards are necessary adjuncts to this standard

IS No.	Title
292 : 1983	Leaded brass ingots and castings (second revision)
6911 : 1972	Stainless steel plate, sheet and strip
7374 : 1974	Glass rods and tubing for laboratory glassware

3 MATERIALS

The materials of construction of different component parts of air-permeability apparatus (Blaine type) shall be as given in col 3 of Table 1. Recommended Indian Standards for different materials, where available, are given in col 5 of Table 1.

4 DIMENSIONS

Dimensions of different component parts of airpermeability apparatus (Blaine type) shall be as detailed in Fig.1.

5 WORKING PRINCIPLE

The variable flow type air-permeability apparatus (Blaine type) shall consist essentially of a means for drawing a definite quantity of air under a falling pressure head through a prepared bed of powder of a definite porosity. The number and size of the pores in a prepared bed of cement of definite porosity is a function of the size of the particles and determine the rate of air flow through the bed.

6 PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

6.1 Permeability Cell

The permeability cell shall consist of a rigid right cylinder 12.7 ± 0.1 mm inside diameter A, constructed of austenitic stainless steel or other abrasion-resisting, non-corroding metal. The top and bottom faces of the cell shall be flat and normal to the axis of the cylinder, as shall the upper surface of the ledge at the

bottom of the cell. The bottom of the cell shall form an airtight connection with the top of the manometer. The internal walls of the cell shall be smooth, true and vertical with a finish of 0.8 micron. A ledge 0.8 \pm 0.2 mm in width shall be an integral part of the cell located at a depth shown in Fig. 1 to support the perforated disc. The top of the permeability cell shall be fitted with a protruding collar to facilitate the removal of the cell from the manometer.

6.1.1 The bottom end of the cell shall be flared downwards from the ledge portion to a length of 35 ± 1 mm, along the axis if the cell is of the female type or if male type, the wall of the cell be flared upwards from the ledge level to a distance of 45 ± 1 mm. The flaring shall be about 5° from the axis of the cell. The flaring either of the male type or female type shall ensure an airtight connection with the corresponding part of the manometer limb.

6.2 Perforated Disc

The disc shall be constructed of non-corrodible metal, preferably brass or austenitic stainless steel and shall be 0.9 ± 0.1 mm in thickness, perforated with 30 to 40 circular holes, each one millimetre in diameter equally distributed over its area and finished smooth. The disc shall be of diameter A - 0.1 mm and shall fit the inside of the cell snugly and get support on the ledge. The centre portion of one side of the disc should be marked or inscribed in a legible manner so as to permit the operator always to place that side downwards while inserting it into the cell. The marking or inscription shall not extend into any of the holes nor touch their peripheries nor extend that area of the disc that rests on the cell edge. When in position on the ledge in the cell, its plane surfaces shall be normal to the axis of the cell.

6.3 Plunger

The plunger shall be of the same material as the cell and shall fit into the cell with a clearance of not more than 0.1 mm. The bottom of the plunger shall sharply meet the lateral surfaces and shall be at right angles to the axis. An air vent shall be provided on one side of the plunger by flattening 3 mm. The top of the plunger shall be provided with a collar such that when the plunger is placed in the cell and the collar brought in contact with the top of the cell, the distance between the bottom of the plunger and the top surface of the perforated disc shall be 15.0 ± 1 mm.

SI No.	Part	Material	Special Requirement, if any	Recommended Indian Standard Specification, if any
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
i)	Permeability cell	Austenitic stainless steel or other abrasion-resisting non-corrodible material	_	IS 6911 : 1972 IS 292 : 1983
ii)	Plunger	do		IS 6911 : 1972 or IS 292 : 1983
і ü)	Perforated metal disc	do	_	IS 6911 : 1972 or IS 292 : 1983
iv)	Manometer tube	Glass Clear borosilicate (glass) or equivalent		IS 7374 : 1974
v)	Manometer stand	Wood/ Suitable woodWell seasoned wood (teak) orsubstitute/Pressed steelwood substitute or pressedsheetsteel sheet		-
vi)	Stopcock	Glass or brass spring type		
vii)	Manometer	Liquid	Non-volatile, non-hygroscopic liquid of low viscosity and density, such as dibutylphthalate (dibutyl 1, 2-benzenedicarboxylate or a light mineral oil	_

Table 1 Materials of Construction for Different Parts of Variable Flow Type Air-Permeability Apparatus (Blaine Type) (Clause 3)

A plunger shall only be used with the corresponding cell the dimensions of which match within the permitted tolerances.

6.4 Filter Paper Discs

The filter paper shall be of medium porosity (Mean pore diameter 7 micron corresponding to No. '40 Whatman). The filter paper discs shall be circular, with smooth edges adopted to the dimensions of the cell.

NOTE - Filter paper discs that are too small may leave part of the sample adhering to the inner wall of the cell above the top disc. When too large in diameter, the disc may have a tendency to buckle and cause erratic results.

6.5 Manometer

The U-tube manometer shall be constructed according to the design indicated in Fig.1 using 9.0 ± 0.4 mm outside diameter borosilicate glass tubing. One arm of the manometer shall be provided at the top with a conical socket to form an airtight fit with the conical surface of the cell. The same arm shall also have four etched lines and a T-joint whose positions shall have the dimensions shown in Fig. 1. The side branch of the T-joint shall lead to use airtight stopcock at a distance not more than 50 mm from the manometer arm and beyond which shall be attached a suitable aspiration device such as the rubber tube and bulb shown in Fig. 1.

6.5.1 The manometer shall be mounted firmly on the vertical board of the manometer stand in such a manner that the arms are vertical.

6.5.2 The manometer shall be filled to the level of the lowest etched line with a non-volatile, non-hygroscopic liquid of low viscosity and density, such as dibutylphthalate (dibutyl 1, 2-benzene-dicarboxylate) or light grade mineral oil.

6.6 Accessories

The filter paper disc cutter and air evacuating rubber bulb may be supplied as accessories.

7 MARKING

The following information shall be clearly and indelibly marked on the apparatus in such a manner that it does

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not interfere with the performance of the apparatus:

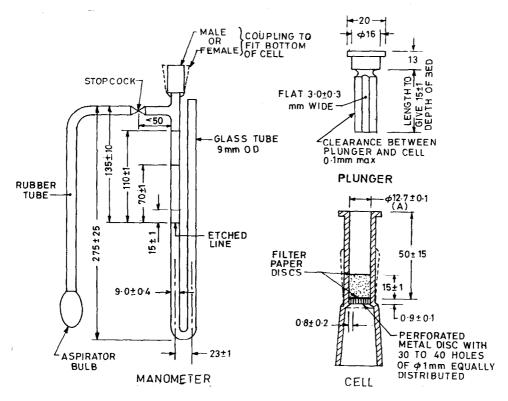
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- b) Date of manufacture, and
- c) Serial number/Batch number.

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All dimensions in millimetres. FIG. 1 VARIABLE FLOW TYPE AIR PERMEABILITY APPARATUS (BLAINE TYPE)

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