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This document supersedes EN 12697-24:2012.

Compared with EN 12697-24:2012, the following changes have been made:

- the series title no longer makes the method exclusively for hot mix asphalt [Title];
- editing of several text sections in order to clarify the procedures [Ge];
- “load applications” amended to “load cycles” [Ge];
- Figure A.1 corrected: Key 3 pointing at the groove [A.1.2];
- completion of Figure E.3: Line 1 added to extensiometer in front view figure [E.2.5.3];
- introduction of new annex for cyclic indirect tensile test on cylindrical specimens (CIT-CY) [Annex F].

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the methods for characterizing the fatigue of bituminous mixtures using alternative tests, including bending tests and direct and indirect tensile tests. The tests are performed on compacted bituminous material under a sinusoidal loading or other controlled loading, using different types of specimens and supports.

The procedure is used:

- a) to rank bituminous mixtures on the basis of resistance to fatigue;
- b) as a guide to relative performance in the pavement;
- c) to obtain data for estimating the structural behaviour of the road; and
- d) to judge test data according to specifications for bituminous mixtures.

Because this European Standard does not impose a particular type of testing device, the precise choice of the test conditions depends on the possibilities and the working range of the device used. For the choice of specific test conditions, the requirements of the product standards for bituminous mixtures need to be respected. The applicability of this document is described in the product standards for bituminous mixtures.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 12697-6, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods for hot mix asphalt — Part 6: Determination of bulk density of bituminous specimens*

EN 12697-7, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods for hot mix asphalt — Part 7: Determination of bulk density of bituminous specimens by gamma rays*

EN 12697-8, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods for hot mix asphalt — Part 8: Determination of void characteristics of bituminous specimens*

EN 12697-26, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 26: Stiffness*

EN 12697-27, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 27: Sampling*

EN 12697-29, *Bituminous mixtures — Test method for hot mix asphalt — Part 29: Determination of the dimensions of a bituminous specimen*

EN 12697-31, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods for hot mix asphalt — Part 31: Specimen preparation by gyratory compactor*

EN 12697-33, *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods — Part 33: Specimen prepared by roller compactor*

3 Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations apply.