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## Foreword

This document (EN 16437:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 216 "Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by August 2014 and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by August 2014.

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## Introduction

This European Standard specifies a surface test for establishing whether a chemical disinfectant or antiseptic, for use on porous surfaces without mechanical action, in the veterinary area, has or does not have bactericidal activity under the laboratory conditions defined by this European Standard, which influence the action of disinfectants in practical use.

The laboratory test takes into account practical conditions of application of the product including pre-drying test organisms and interfering substances on a surface, contact time and temperature, i.e. conditions which may influence its action in practical situations.

The conditions are intended to cover general purposes and to allow reference between laboratories and product types. Each utilisation concentration of the chemical disinfectant or antiseptic, found by this test corresponds to the chosen experimental conditions. However, for some applications, the instructions of use of a product can differ and therefore additional test conditions need to be used.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a test method and the minimum requirements for bactericidal activity of chemical disinfectants and antiseptic products that form a homogeneous, physically stable preparation when diluted with hard water - or in the case of ready-to-use products - with water.

This European Standard applies to products that are used in the veterinary area on porous surfaces without mechanical action i.e. in the breeding, husbandry, production, transport and disposal of all animals except when in the food chain following death and entry to the processing industry.

EN 14885 specifies in detail the relationship of the various tests to one another and to "use recommendations".

NOTE 1 The method described is intended to determine the activity of commercial formulations or active substances under the conditions in which they are used.

NOTE 2 This method corresponds to a phase 2 step 2 test.

NOTE 3 This method cannot be used to evaluate the activity of products against mycobacteria or bacterial spores.

## 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 12353, *Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics - Preservation of test organisms used for the determination of bactericidal (including Legionella), mycobactericidal, sporicidal, fungicidal and virucidal (including bacteriophages) activity*

EN 14885, *Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics - Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 14885 apply.

## 4 Requirements

The product shall demonstrate at least a 4 decimal log (lg) reduction from a water control, when tested in accordance with Table 1 and Clause 5 under simulated soiling (3,0 g/l bovine albumin).