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Foreword

This document (EN 12662:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 19 "Gaseous and liquid fuels, lubricants and related products of petroleum, synthetic and biological origin", the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by August 2014, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by August 2014.

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This document supersedes EN 12662:2008.

The significant technical changes between this European Standard and the previous edition are:

- extension of the scope to middle distillates, diesel fuels containing up to 30 % (V/V) fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) and neat FAME;
- update of the working range and precision statement based on interlaboratory study with field samples carried out in 2011 within CEN/TC 19;
- inclusion of a dilution procedure for the determination of total contamination of neat FAME;
- improved description of the filtration procedure and equipment.

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for the determination of the content of undissolved substances, referred to as total contamination, in middle distillates, in diesel fuels containing up to 30 % (V/V) fatty acid methyl esters (FAME), and in neat FAME. The working range is from 12 mg/kg to 30 mg/kg and it was established in an interlaboratory study by applying EN ISO 4259 [1].

This European Standard in general applies to products having a kinematic viscosity not exceeding 8 mm²/s at 20 °C, or 5 mm²/s at 40 °C, e.g. diesel fuel as specified in EN 590 [2] and FAME as in EN 14214 [3].

This test method may be used for diesel fuels containing more than 30 % (V/V) FAME and for petroleum products having a kinematic viscosity exceeding 8 mm²/s at 20 °C, or 5 mm²/s at 40 °C, however in such cases the precision of the test method has not been defined.

NOTE 1 Excessive contamination in a fuel system can give rise to premature blocking of filters and/or hardware failure, and is therefore undesirable.

NOTE 2 For the purposes of this European Standard, the term "% (V/V)" is used to represent the volume fraction, φ , of a material.

WARNING — Use of this standard may involve hazardous materials, operations and equipment. This standard does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and to determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

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 14275, *Automotive fuels — Assessment of petrol and diesel fuel quality — Sampling from retail site pumps and commercial site fuel dispensers*

EN ISO 3170, *Petroleum liquids — Manual sampling (ISO 3170)*

EN ISO 3171, *Petroleum liquids — Automatic pipeline sampling (ISO 3171)*

ISO 3819, *Laboratory glassware — Beakers*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

total contamination

undissolved substances retained on a filter after filtration under test conditions

3.2

absolute pressure

pressure measured relative to zero pressure or a total vacuum