Workbenches for laboratories in educational institutions — Dimensions, safety and durability requirements and test methods
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a) scope has been restricted to the workbenches in educational institutions;

b) removal of Annex A (normative) containing detailed test methods;

c) this document refers to other relevant EN standards such as EN 1730, EN 16122 for the applicable test methods;

d) no terms and definitions are listed in this document;

e) removal of Annex B (informative) containing optional durability tests. Durability test requirements are now in the main body of this document.

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1 Scope

This document applies to workbenches, movable science tables and workbench shelves designed for use in educational institutions and similar laboratories. It does not apply to workbenches and working tables for industrial laboratories, institutes and universities or similar research institutions. It does not apply to fume cupboards.

This document specifies safety and durability requirements and test methods and gives dimensions. Requirements and test methods related to the fire safety of workbenches and to the resistance of the work surface are not included in this document.

Requirements concerning electrical safety and media services (e.g. water, gas, wastewater, compressed air) are not included in this document.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 527-1:2011, Office furniture — Work tables and desks — Part 1: Dimensions

EN 1729-1:2015, Furniture — Chairs and tables for educational institutions — Part 1: Functional dimensions

EN 1730:2012, Furniture — Tables — Test methods for the determination of stability, strength and durability

EN 12600, Glass in building — Pendulum test — Impact test method and classification for flat glass

EN 13722, Furniture — Assessment of the surface gloss

EN 16121, Non-domestic storage furniture — Requirements for safety, strength, durability and stability

EN 16122:2012, Domestic and non-domestic storage furniture — Test methods for the determination of strength, durability and stability

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp