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European foreword

This document (EN 14024:2023) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 33 “Doors, windows, shutters, building hardware and curtain walling”, 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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by January 2024, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by January 2024.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CEN shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This document supersedes EN 14024:2004.

The main changes compared to the previous edition EN 14024:2004 are:

- new geometric design types have been introduced;
- the distinction between the two “Use categories” “W” and “CW” has been superseded by one category that includes both windows (W) and curtain walls (CW);
- revision of the clauses dealing with testing and test sequence;
- new Annex D dealing with simple products which typically do not need a static proof by calculation;
- inclusion of FEM analysis for specific non-symmetric profiles, as alternative validated method for static proof;
- Annex A: introduction of the semi-probabilistic approach in regard of static proof;
- Annex C: introduction of a full set of formulae to determine the maximal cross-section loads, contact shear strength and mid-span deformation for a simply supported beam loaded with a uniformly distributed load and subjected to a uniformly distributed temperature load.

Thermal barrier profiles are used in various fields of applications and demand a differing assessment of their mechanical performance depending on their intended use.

This document deals with the general field of application: profiles in windows, doors and façades.

In the design process, the safety aspect is part of national competency. For this reason, the definition of specific products that normally do not require tests or proof by calculation for the determination of mechanical properties, is a task of national specifications. This document applies when national specifications require tests or proof by calculation to determine the characteristic values of mechanical properties of the thermal barrier profile and to assess the suitability of the thermal barrier material.

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1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for assessment of the mechanical strength of metal profiles incorporating a thermal barrier having mechanical performance depending on their intended use.

It also specifies the tests to determine the characteristic values of mechanical properties of the thermal barrier profile and to assess the effect of different conditionings of the thermal barrier on the mechanical performance of the connection.

This document does not apply to thermal barriers which do not give a contribution to the mechanical resistance of the profiles.

This document is applicable to thermal barrier profiles designed mainly for windows, doors, screens and curtain walls.

This document does not apply to thermal barriers made only of metal profiles connected with metal pins or screws.

This current edition of EN 14024 will supersede EN 14024:2004. Differences in test procedures between the two versions will not lead to significant differences in test results. Therefore, existing test results according to EN 14024:2004 are considered as equivalent to new test results according to the current edition of EN 14024.

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 12519, *Windows and pedestrian doors — Terminology*

EN 14351-1, *Windows and doors — Product standard, performance characteristics — Part 1: Windows and external pedestrian doorsets*

EN 16759:2021, *Bonded glazing for doors, windows and curtain walling — Verification of mechanical performance of bonding*

EN ISO 4892-2, *Plastics — Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps (ISO 4892-2)*

EN ISO 7500-1, *Metallic materials — Calibration and verification of static uniaxial testing machines — Part 1: Tension/compression testing machines — Calibration and verification of the force-measuring system (ISO 7500-1)*

EN ISO 22088-3, *Plastics — Determination of resistance to environmental stress cracking (ESC) — Part 3: Bent strip method (ISO 22088-3)*

EN ISO 22088-4, *Plastics — Determination of resistance to environmental stress cracking (ESC) — Part 4: Ball or pin impression method (ISO 22088-4)*