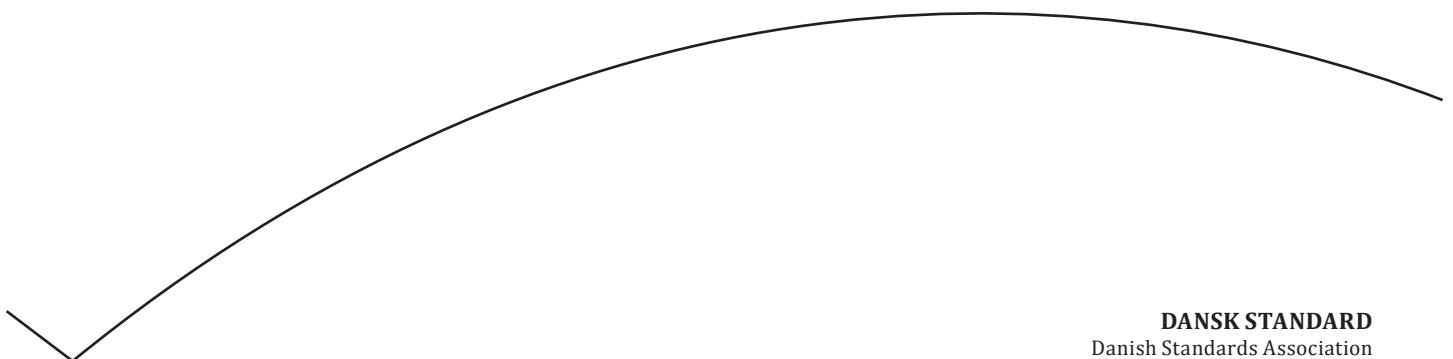




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Introduction

This document describes a test designed to assess the salt crystallization resistance of natural stones where it is relevant. The test cannot be used in isolation and results will be considered with other physical tests to indicate durability; these include [EN 12371](#) "Determination of frost resistance".

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1 Scope

This document specifies a test method to assess the relative resistance of natural stones with an open porosity of greater than 5 %, measured in accordance with [EN 1936](#), to damage caused by the crystallization of salts. The test is not necessary for low porosity stones.

2 Normative references

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[EN 12407](#), *Natural stone test methods — Petrographic examination*

[EN 12440](#), *Natural stone — Denomination criteria*