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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 11357-1:1997), which has been technically revised. The most important changes are the following:

— an indication has been given of the preferred graphical representation of DSC diagrams in accordance with thermodynamic requirements;

— an additional, more precise, method of temperature calibration, providing an accuracy of ± 0,3 K over an extended temperature range, has been included;

— an additional, more precise, procedure for enthalpy calibration, providing an accuracy of ± 0,5 %, has been included;

— a procedure for heat flow rate calibration has been included;

— information has been included on interactions between calibration materials and the crucibles.

ISO 11357 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Plastics — Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)*:

— *Part 1: General principles*

— *Part 2: Determination of glass transition temperature*

— *Part 3: Determination of temperature and enthalpy of melting and crystallization*

— *Part 4: Determination of specific heat capacity*

— *Part 5: Determination of characteristic reaction-curve temperatures and times, enthalpy of reaction and degree of conversion*

— *Part 6: Determination of oxidation induction time (isothermal OIT) and oxidation induction temperature (dynamic OIT)*

— *Part 7: Determination of crystallization kinetics*

Introduction

ISO 11357 describes thermoanalytical DSC test methods which can be used for quality assurance purposes, for routine checks of raw materials and finished products or for the determination of comparable data needed for data sheets or databases. The procedures given in ISO 11357 apply as long as product standards or standards describing special atmospheres for conditioning of specimens do not specify otherwise.