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ISO 2039 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Plastics — Determination of hardness*:

— *Part 1: Ball indentation method*

— *Part 2: Rockwell hardness*

Annex A of this part of ISO 2039 is for information only.