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Foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- consistency and document structure have been improved and an Introduction has been added;
- new agents have been added;
- information that aspects of food safety and consumer protection for food contact materials are not covered has been added.

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Introduction

During its service life, prints might need to resist certain agents. These agents can come in contact with prints during finishing operations like varnishing, or accidentally via interactions with certain vapours, fluids or solids like spilling of package contents onto the print. These kinds of agents can cause visual alterations to the print. These changes are due to either the colorants used in the inks or the substrate itself not being resistant to the particular agent.

This document defines laboratory test methods for the interaction of agents and prints and gives guidelines and requirements for the evaluation of changes on the print caused by those agents. All the methods within this document aims to allow a reasonable choice of raw materials to be used for the printing inks and substrates and for the testing of the prints for qualification purposes. The aim of all these methods is to avoid visual changes of the prints caused by the agents. Aspects of food safety and consumer protection for food contact material are not covered.