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## 1 Scope

This document specifies an objective method for the determination of the odour concentration of a gaseous sample using dynamic olfactometry with human assessors. The document also specifies a method for the determination of the odour emission rate from stationary sources, in particular:

- a) point sources (conveyed or ducted emissions);
- b) active area sources (e.g. biofilters).

The primary application of this document is to provide a common basis for evaluation of odour emissions.

When this document is used for the determination of the odour concentration or the odour emission rate of stationary source emissions, the other relevant European Standards concerning stationary source emissions apply, in particular EN 15259 and EN ISO 16911-1, especially when measurements have to comply with the relevant European Directives concerning industrial air emissions.

Even so, the analysis/quantification step of the measurement method described in this document (i.e. the determination of the odour concentration of an odorous gas sample, without respect to the origin of the sample itself) may be fully applied in many cases not related with industrial emission sources (e.g. the measurement of the mass concentration at the detection threshold of odorant substances, the determination of effectiveness of deodorising systems for indoor air). In those latter cases, the requirements in this document concerning the measurement planning and the sampling of stationary sources may be ignored or adapted.

This document is applicable to the measurement of odour concentration of odorous gas, mixtures of odorants of defined composition and undefined mixtures of odorants in air or nitrogen, using dynamic olfactometry with a panel of human assessors being the sensor. The unit of measurement is the European odour unit per cubic metre:  $ou_E/m^3$ . The odour concentration is measured by determining the dilution factor required to reach the detection threshold. The odour concentration at the detection threshold is by definition  $1 ou_E/m^3$ . The odour concentration is then expressed in terms of multiples of the detection threshold. The range of measurement is typically from  $10^1 ou_E/m^3$  to  $10^7 ou_E/m^3$  (including pre-dilution).

The field of application of this document includes:

- 1) the measurement of the mass concentration at the detection threshold of odorants in  $g/m^3$ ;
- 2) the determination of the SROM value of secondary reference odorant gas, in mol;
- 3) the measurement of the odour concentration of mixtures of odorants in  $ou_E/m^3$ ;
- 4) the measurement of the odour emission rate from point sources and active area sources, including predilution during sampling;
- 5) the sampling of odorous gases from emissions of high humidity and temperature (up to 200 °C);
- 6) the determination of effectiveness of mitigation techniques used to reduce odour emissions.

The determination of odour emissions requires measurement of gas velocity to determine the volume flow rate.

The field of application of this document does not include:

- i. the measurement of odours potentially released by particles of odorous solids or droplets of odorous fluids suspended in emissions;
- ii. the measuring strategy to be applied in case of variable emission rates;



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