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## European foreword

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**EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 (E)****Introduction**

This European standard provides core product category rules for all construction products and services. It provides a structure to ensure that all Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) of construction products, construction services and construction processes are derived, verified and presented in a harmonised way.

An EPD communicates verifiable, accurate, non-misleading environmental information for products and their applications, thereby supporting scientifically based, fair choices and stimulating the potential for market-driven continuous environmental improvement.

The standardisation process has taken place in accordance with EN ISO 14025. All common issues are covered horizontally for all product types in order to minimise vertical (branch specific) deviations.

EPD information is expressed in information modules, which allow easy organisation and expression of data packages throughout the life cycle of the product. The approach requires that the underlying data should be consistent, reproducible and comparable.

The EPD is expressed in a form that allows aggregation (addition) to provide complete <sup>A2</sup> information for buildings and other construction works <sup>A2</sup>. This standard does not deal with aggregation at the building level nor does this standard describe the rules for applying EPD in a building assessment.

<sup>A2</sup> The standard deals with a set of quantifiable, predetermined environmental impact indicators. This standard has been adapted to address the amendment of the standardization Mandate M/350. <sup>A2</sup>

This European Standard provides the means for developing a Type III environmental declaration of construction products and is part of a suite of standards that are intended to assess the sustainability of construction works.

<sup>A2</sup> *deleted text* <sup>A2</sup>

- EN 15643-1, *Sustainability of construction works — Sustainability assessment of buildings — Part 1: General framework*;
- EN 15643-2, *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of buildings — Part 2: Framework for the assessment of environmental performance*;
- EN 15978, *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of environmental performance of buildings — Calculation method*;
- CEN/TR 15941, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Methodology for selection and use of generic data*;
- EN 15942, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Communication formats: business to business*.



## 1 Scope

This European standard provides core product category rules (PCR) for Type III environmental declarations for any construction product and construction service.

NOTE The assessment of social and economic performances at product level is not covered by this standard.

The core PCR:

- $\boxed{A_2}$  defines the indicators to be declared, information to be provided and the way in which they are collated and reported,  $\langle A_2 \rangle$
- describes which stages of a product's life cycle are considered in the EPD and which processes are to be included in the life cycle stages,
- defines rules for the development of scenarios,
- includes the rules for calculating the Life Cycle Inventory and the Life Cycle Impact Assessment underlying the EPD, including the specification of the data quality to be applied,
- includes the rules for reporting predetermined, environmental and health information, that is not covered by LCA for a product, construction process and construction service where necessary,
- defines the conditions under which construction products can be compared based on the information provided by EPD.

For the EPD of construction services the same rules and requirements apply as for the EPD of construction products.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

CEN/TR 15941, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Methodology for selection and use of generic data*

EN 15942, *Sustainability of construction works — Environmental product declarations — Communication formats: business to business*

EN 15978, *Sustainability of construction works — Assessment of environmental performance of buildings — Calculation method*

EN ISO 14025:2010, *Environmental labels and declarations — Type III environmental declarations — Principles and procedures (ISO 14025:2006)*

EN ISO 14044:2006, *Environmental management — Life cycle assessment — Requirements and guidelines (ISO 14044:2006)*

$\boxed{A_2}$  EN ISO 14067:2018, *Greenhouse gases — Carbon footprint of products — Requirements and guidelines for quantification (ISO 14067:2018)*  $\langle A_2 \rangle$

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ISO 15686-1, *Buildings and constructed assets — Service life planning — Part 1: General principles and framework*

ISO 15686-2, *Buildings and constructed assets — Service life planning — Part 2: Service life prediction procedures*

ISO 15686-7, *Buildings and constructed assets — Service life planning — Part 7: Performance evaluation for feedback of service life data from practice*

ISO 15686-8:2008, *Buildings and constructed assets — Service-life planning — Part 8: Reference service life and service-life estimation*

<sup>A2</sup> ISO 21930:2017, *Sustainability in buildings and civil engineering works — Core rules for environmental product declarations of construction products and services* <sup>A2</sup>

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**Suggestions for updating the Product Environmental Footprint (PEF) method**, EUR 29682 EN, Publications Office of the European Union, Luxembourg, 2019, ISBN 978-92-76-00654-1, doi:10.2760/424613, JRC11595<sup>1</sup>) <sup>A2</sup>

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