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## European foreword

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## Introduction

The test by ultrasound described in this standard has the objective of estimating the dimension of average grain size in copper and copper alloy products.

When using this test by ultrasound technique it is important to recognize that the estimation of grain size is not a precise measurement because a metal structure is an aggregate of three-dimensional crystals of varying sizes and shapes. Clearly, no two areas of observation can then be exactly the same.

## 1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the estimation of the average grain size of copper and copper alloy products by ultrasound. This document can be applied for seamless round tubes as well as for flat products.

This method can be used in place of test methods according to EN ISO 2624, mentioned in the relevant product standards. As reference method and in case of doubt the intercept procedure or planimetric procedure will be used.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

EN ISO 2624, *Copper and copper alloys - Estimation of average grain size (ISO 2624)*

EN ISO 5577, *Non-destructive testing - Ultrasonic testing - Vocabulary (ISO 5577)*

EN ISO 9712, *Non-destructive testing - Qualification and certification of NDT personnel (ISO 9712)*

EN ISO 16810:2014, *Non-destructive testing - Ultrasonic testing - General principles (ISO 16810:2012)*

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