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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 6321:2002), which has been technically revised.

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

- the requirement to measure the diameters of each capillary tube has been removed, and
- a footnote stating suggested suppliers of suitable capillary tubes has been included.

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# Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of melting point in open capillary tubes — Slip point

## 1 Scope

This document specifies two methods for the determination of the melting point in open capillary tubes, commonly known as the slip melting point, of animal and vegetable fats and oils (referred to as fats hereinafter).

- Method A is only applicable to animal and vegetable fats which are solid at ambient temperature and which do not exhibit pronounced polymorphism.
- Method B is applicable to all animal and vegetable fats which are solid at ambient temperature and is the method to be used for fats whose polymorphic behaviour is unknown.

For the determination of the slip melting point of palm oil samples the method given in [Annex A](#) shall be used.

NOTE 1 If applied to fats with pronounced polymorphism, method A will give different and less satisfactory results than method B.

NOTE 2 Fats which exhibit pronounced polymorphism are principally cocoa butter and fats containing appreciable quantities of 2-unsaturated, 1,3-saturated triacylglycerols.

## 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.

ISO 661, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Preparation of test sample*

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