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#### Introduction

The basis for this document was prepared as being part of the work for SMT project MAT-CT 94061 project number 3307: Improvement of CEN standards by short term methods for testing the natural durability and treatability of solid wood and wood based panel products.

It provides the means whereby the treatability of sapwood or heartwood of different wood species can be determined in order to determine likely reaction to impregnation with wood preservatives. Such an assessment provides data for use in EN 351-1 which establishes a system for specifying the treatment of wood with wood preservatives based upon the penetration and retention of preservatives achieved by the treatment process. EN 351-1 recognizes that different wood species respond to treatment differently depending on their ability to absorb preservative, and requires a different level of compliance depending on the treatability of the wood concerned. While EN 350 includes a subjective classification of the treatability of different wood species using a four class system, the method described in this document provides the means to determine the treatability objectively.

Although the method described uses an aqueous solution as the impregnating liquid, the method can be modified using other preservative types, e.g. organic solvent or emulsion preparations, if the response of the wood to a specific preservative is required. However, the method does not take account of preservative formulations where the active ingredients are selectively adsorbed on to the wood substrate resulting in the solvent penetrating more deeply than the biocides.

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# 1 Scope

This document specifies a laboratory method for the determination of the treatability of wood in order to determine the likely reaction of different wood species to impregnation with wood preservatives. It is also applicable to investigate variation between samples of the same species but of different origin.

#### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

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