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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 238, Solid biofuels.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition ISO 17225-1:2014, which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— particle size distribution for wood chips and hog fuel updated

— Table 15 for undensified thermally treated biomass deleted

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Introduction

The objective of the ISO 17225 series is to provide unambiguous and clear classification principles for solid biofuels and to serve as a tool to enable efficient trading of biofuels and to enable good understanding between seller and buyer as well as a tool for communication with equipment manufacturers. It will also facilitate authority permission procedures and reporting.

The ISO 17225 series is made for all stakeholders.

Solid biomass covers organic, non-fossil material of biological origin which may be used as fuel for heat and electrical generation.

Figure 1 describes the bioenergy utilization chain from sources of biomass, to biofuel production to final use of bioenergy. Although biomass can be used for energy generation it has many other primary uses (non-fuels) as a raw material for construction, furniture, packaging, paper products, etc.

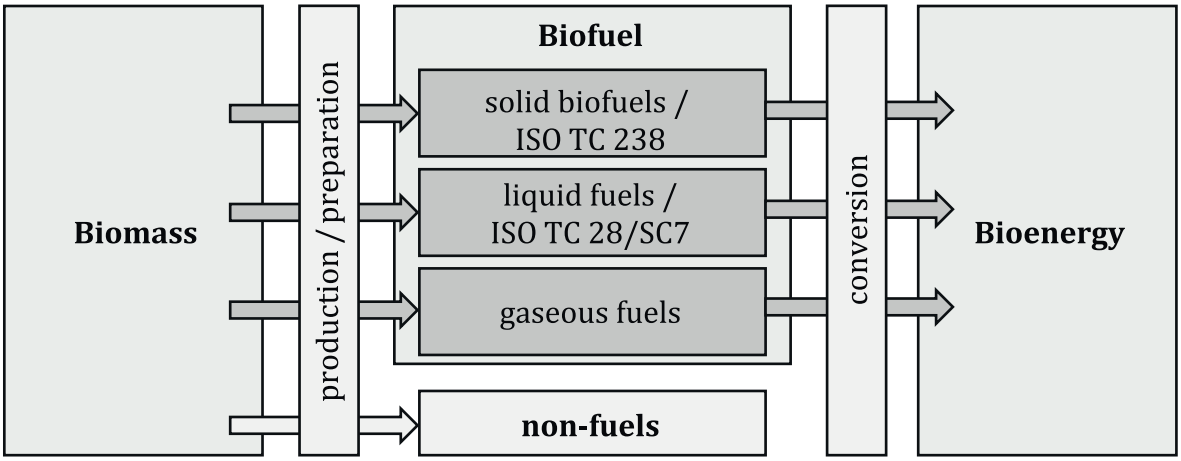


Figure 1 — ISO TC 238 within the biomass — Biofuel — Bioenergy field

The classifications given in this document are provided with the objective of using biomass as a solid biofuel and therefore do not deal with all other uses.

Although the product standards starting from Part 2 of the ISO 17225 series may be obtained separately, they require a general understanding of the standards based on and supporting ISO 17225-1. It is recommended to obtain and use ISO 17225-1 in conjunction with these standards.

In the product standards, graded means that solid biofuel is used either in commercial applications, such as in households and small commercial and public sector buildings or industrial applications, which demand the use of fuels with specified quality (properties) expressed by quality classes like A1, A2 or B.

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Solid biofuels — Fuel specifications and classes —

Part 1: General requirements

1 Scope

This document determines the fuel quality classes and specifications for solid biofuels of raw and processed materials originating from

a) forestry and arboriculture;

b) agriculture and horticulture;

c) aquaculture.

Chemically treated material may not include halogenated organic compounds or heavy metals at levels higher than those in typical virgin material values (see Annex B) or higher than typical values of the country of origin.

NOTE Raw and processed material includes woody, herbaceous, fruit, aquatic biomass and biodegradable waste originating from above sectors.

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 14780, *Solid biofuels — Sample preparation*

ISO 16559, *Solid biofuels — Terminology, definitions and descriptions*

ISO 16948, *Solid biofuels — Determination of total content of carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen*

ISO 16967, *Solid biofuels — Determination of major elements — Al, Ca, Fe, Mg, P, K, Si, Na and Ti*

ISO 16968, *Solid biofuels — Determination of minor elements*

ISO 16993, *Solid biofuels — Conversion of analytical results from one basis to another*

ISO 16994, *Solid biofuels — Determination of total content of sulfur and chlorine*

ISO 17827-1, *Solid biofuels — Determination of particle size distribution for uncompressed fuels — Part 1: Oscillating screen method using sieves with apertures of 3,15 mm and above*

ISO 17827-2, *Solid biofuels — Determination of particle size distribution for uncompressed fuels — Part 2: Vibrating screen method using sieves with aperture of 3,15 mm and below*

ISO 17828, *Solid biofuels — Determination of bulk density*

ISO 17829, *Solid Biofuels — Determination of length and diameter of pellets*

ISO 17830, *Solid biofuels — Particle size distribution of disintegrated pellets*

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ISO 17831-1, *Solid biofuels — Determination of mechanical durability of pellets and briquettes — Part 1: Pellets*

ISO 17831-2, *Solid biofuels — Determination of mechanical durability of pellets and briquettes — Part 2: Briquettes*

ISO 18122, *Solid biofuels — Determination of ash content*

ISO 18123, *Solid biofuels — Determination of the content of volatile matter*

ISO 18125, *Solid biofuels — Determination of calorific value*

ISO 18134-1, *Solid biofuels — Determination of moisture content — Oven dry method — Part 1: Total moisture — Reference method*

ISO 18134-2, *Solid biofuels — Determination of moisture content — Oven dry method — Part 2: Total moisture — Simplified method*

ISO 18135, *Solid Biofuels — Sampling*

ISO 18847, *Solid biofuels — Determination of particle density of pellets and briquettes*

ISO 21945, *Solid biofuels — Simplified sampling method for small scale applications*

ISO 21404, *Solid biofuels — Determination of ash melting behaviour*

ISO 18846, *Solid biofuels — Determination of fines content in quantities of pellets*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 16559 and the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
chemical treatment
any treatment with chemicals other than air, water or heat

Note 1 to entry: Examples of chemical treatments are listed in informative Annex C.

3.2
commercial application
facility that utilize solid biofuel burning appliances or equipment that have similar fuel requirements as residential appliances

Note 1 to entry: Commercial applications should not be confused with industrial applications, which can utilize a much wider array of materials and have vastly different fuel requirements.

4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

The symbols and abbreviated terms used in this document conform with the SI system of units as far as possible,

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