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Standard Guide for Evaluation of Hydrocarbon-Based Quench Oil¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This guide covers information without specific limits, for selecting standard test methods for testing hydrocarbon-based quench oils for quality and aging.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard.

1.2.1 *Exception*—The units given in parentheses are for information only.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

- D91 Test Method for Precipitation Number of Lubricating Oils
- D92 Test Method for Flash and Fire Points by Cleveland Open Cup Tester
- D94 Test Methods for Saponification Number of Petroleum Products
- D95 Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation
- D189 Test Method for Conradson Carbon Residue of Petroleum Products
- D445 Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent

and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity)

- D482 Test Method for Ash from Petroleum Products
- D524 Test Method for Ramsbottom Carbon Residue of Petroleum Products
- D664 Test Method for Acid Number of Petroleum Products by Potentiometric Titration
- D974 Test Method for Acid and Base Number by Color-Indicator Titration
- D1298 Test Method for Density, Relative Density, or API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Liquid Petroleum Products by Hydrometer Method
- D4052 Test Method for Density, Relative Density, and API Gravity of Liquids by Digital Density Meter
- D4530 Test Method for Determination of Carbon Residue (Micro Method)
- D6200 Test Method for Determination of Cooling Characteristics of Quench Oils by Cooling Curve Analysis
- D6304 Test Method for Determination of Water in Petroleum Products, Lubricating Oils, and Additives by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration
- D7042 Test Method for Dynamic Viscosity and Density of Liquids by Stabinger Viscometer (and the Calculation of Kinematic Viscosity)

2.2 ISO Standards:³

- ISO 9950 Industrial Quenching Oils—Determination of Cooling Characteristics—Nickel-Alloy Probe Test Method, 1995-95-01

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

Quench Processing

3.1.1 *austenitization, n*—heating a steel containing less than the eutectoid concentration of carbon (about 0.8 mass %) to a temperature just above the eutectoid temperature to decompose the pearlite microstructure to produce a face-centered cubic (fcc) austenite-ferrite mixture.

3.1.2 *dragout, n*—solution carried out of a bath on the metal being quenched and associated handling equipment.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard