
**Textiles — Quantitative chemical
analysis —**

Part 7:

**Mixtures of polyamide and certain other
fibres (method using formic acid)**

Textiles — Analyse chimique quantitative —

*Partie 7: Mélanges de polyamide et de certaines autres fibres (méthode
à l'acide formique)*



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ISO 1833 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis*:

- *Part 1: General principles of testing*
- *Part 2: Ternary fibre mixtures*
- *Part 3: Mixtures of acetate and certain other fibres (method using acetone)*
- *Part 4: Mixtures of certain protein and certain other fibres (method using hypochlorite)*
- *Part 5: Mixtures of viscose, cupro or modal and cotton fibres (method using sodium zincate)*
- *Part 7: Mixtures of polyamide and certain other fibres (method using formic acid)*
- *Part 8: Mixtures of acetate and triacetate fibres (method using acetone)*
- *Part 9: Mixtures of acetate and triacetate fibres (method using benzyl alcohol)*
- *Part 10: Mixtures of triacetate or polylactide and certain other fibres (method using dichloromethane)*
- *Part 11: Mixtures of cellulose and polyester fibres (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 12: Mixtures of acrylic, certain modacrylics, certain chlorofibres, certain elastanes and certain other fibres (method using dimethylformamide)*
- *Part 13: Mixtures of certain chlorofibres and certain other fibres (method using carbon disulfide/acetone)*

- *Part 14: Mixtures of acetate and certain chlorofibres (method using acetic acid)*
- *Part 15: Mixtures of jute and certain animal fibres (method by determining nitrogen content)*
- *Part 16: Mixtures of polypropylene fibres and certain other fibres (method using xylene)*
- *Part 17: Mixtures of chlorofibres (homopolymers of vinyl chloride) and certain other fibres (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 18: Mixtures of silk and wool or hair (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 19: Mixtures of cellulose fibres and asbestos (method by heating)*
- *Part 21: Mixtures of chlorofibres, certain modacrylics, certain elastanes, acetates, triacetates and certain other fibres (method using cyclohexanone)*

The following parts are under preparation:

- *Part 6: Mixtures of viscose or certain types of cupro or modal or lyocell and cotton fibres (method using formic acid and zinc chloride)*
- *Part 20: Mixtures of elastane and certain other fibres (method using dimethylacetamide)*
- *Part 22: Mixtures of viscose or certain types of cupro or modal or lyocell and flax fibres (method using formic acid and zinc chlorate)*
- *Part 23: Mixtures of polyethylene and polypropylene (method using cyclohexanone)*
- *Part 24: Mixtures of polyester and some other fibres (method using phenol and tetrachloroethane)*

Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis —

Part 7:

Mixtures of polyamide and certain other fibres (method using formic acid)

1 Scope

This part of ISO 1833 specifies a method, using formic acid, to determine the percentage of polyamide fibre, after removal of non-fibrous matter, in textiles made of binary mixtures of

— polyamide

and

— cotton, viscose, cupro, modal, polyester, polypropylene, chlorofibre, acrylic or glass fibre.

It is also applicable to mixtures with wool and animal hair, but when the wool content exceeds 25 %, the method described in ISO 1833-4 should be used.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 1833-1, *Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis — Part 1: General principles of testing*

3 Principle

The polyamide is dissolved out from a known dry mass of the mixture, with aqueous formic acid. The residue is collected, washed, dried, and weighed; its mass, corrected if necessary, is expressed as a percentage of the dry mass of the mixture. The percentage of polyamide fibre is found by the difference.

4 Reagents

Use the reagents described in ISO 1833-1 together with those given in 4.1 and 4.2.

4.1 Formic acid, 80 % (mass fraction) (ρ 1,19 g/ml).

Dilute 880 ml of 90 % (mass fraction) formic acid (ρ 1,20 g/ml) to 1 l with water. Alternatively, dilute 780 ml of 98 % to 100 % (mass fraction) formic acid (ρ 1,22 g/ml) to 1 l with water. The concentration is not critical within the range 77 % to 83 % (mass fraction) formic acid.

NOTE Formic acid at 80 % (mass fraction) has a density $\rho = 1,186$ g/ml.

4.2 Ammonia, dilute solution.

Dilute 80 ml of concentrated ammonia solution (ρ 0,88 g/ml) to 1 l with water.

5 Apparatus

Use the apparatus described in ISO 1833-1 together with that given in 5.1.

5.1 Conical flask, minimum capacity 200 ml, glass-stoppered.

6 Test procedure

Follow the general procedure given in ISO 1833-1, and then proceed as follows.

To the specimen contained in the conical flask, add 100 ml of formic acid per gram of specimen. Insert the stopper, shake the flask to wet out the specimen, and allow the flask to stand for 15 min, shaking it at intervals.

Filter the contents of the flask through a weighed filter crucible and transfer any residual fibres to the crucible by washing out the flask with a little more formic acid.

Drain the crucible using suction and wash the residue on the filter successively with formic acid, hot water, dilute ammonia solution, and finally cold water, draining the crucible using suction after each addition. Do not apply suction until each washing liquor has drained under gravity.

Finally, drain the crucible using suction, dry the crucible and residue, then cool and weigh them.

7 Calculation and expression of results

Calculate the results as described in the general instructions of ISO 1833-1.

The value of d is 1,00.

8 Precision

On a homogeneous mixture of textile materials the confidence limits of the results obtained by this method are not greater than ± 1 for the confidence level of 95 %.