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# Equipment for crop protection — Anti-drip devices — Determination of reduction of nozzle flow rate

## 1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies a method of test to determine the effect on the flow rate of nozzles by the fitting of anti-drip devices.

This International Standard applies to anti-drip devices of sprayer nozzles of agricultural sprayers which can be carried or drawn or are self-propelling, used for the protection and fertilization of crops.

This International Standard does not apply to anti-drip devices of nozzles of hand-held or hand-operated sprayers.

## 2 Reference

ISO 3534, *Statistics — Vocabulary and symbols*.

## 3 Test liquid

**3.1 Clean water**, free from solids in suspension.

## 4 Measuring equipment

**4.1 Pressure gauge**, allowing the pressure to be measured with a precision of 1 % within the range 0,05 to 0,5 MPa.

**4.2 Collection vessel for the nozzle**.

**4.3 Measuring cylinder or balance** to measure the quantity of liquid collected.

**4.4 Stop watch**.

## 5 General test conditions

### 5.1 Temperature

The temperature of the water and that of the air of the room shall be between 10 and 25 °C.

### 5.2 Pressures

Each pressure of the liquid shall remain constant with a maximum deviation of  $\pm 2,5$  % about the mean pressure.

## 6 Determination

### 6.1 Uniformity of the flow rates obtained with the same nozzle and different anti-drip devices

#### 6.1.1 Choice of the nozzle

The complete designation of the nozzle used shall appear in the test report.

#### 6.1.2 Sampling of anti-drip devices

Select at random 20 anti-drip devices of the same type. The sampling conditions shall be indicated in the test report, in particular the size of the stock, the place of sampling, etc.

#### 6.1.3 Measurements

Measure, at the reference pressure of 0,3 MPa, the flow rate of the nozzle without the anti-drip device and the flow rates obtained when the various anti-drip devices of the sample are attached to the nozzle in succession.

The volume discharged shall be measured with an error of less than 1 %. The measuring time shall be at least 60 s and will be measured with an error of less than 1 s.

#### 6.1.4 Results

The flow rates should be expressed in litres per minute. Indicate the flow rate at 0,3 MPa of the nozzle without an anti-drip device, the arithmetic mean of the flow rates obtained with the 20 anti-drip devices and the flow rate of each anti-drip device expressed as a percentage of the mean. The coefficient of variation of the flow rates shall be reported.

### 6.2 Variation in the flow rate as a function of the pressure for the nozzle fitted with an anti-drip device

#### 6.2.1 Anti-drip device choice

Use the anti-drip device having the flow rate closest to the mean of the flow rates obtained with the various anti-drip devices of the sample.

**6.2.2 Pressures**

Measure the flow rate at pressures : 0,05 — 0,1 — 0,2 — 0,3 — 0,4 — 0,5 MPa.

**6.2.3 Measurements**

Measure, at each pressure, the flow rate of the nozzle fitted with the anti-drip device and that of the nozzle without an anti-drip device.

**6.2.4 Results**

The flow rates shall be expressed in litres per minute.

Indicate for each pressure the flow rates obtained with and without an anti-drip device.

Indicate the results in the form of graphs (the flow rate shall be indicated on the ordinate and the pressure on the abscissa) or a table, in the test report.

**7 Test report**

See the example in the annex.

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