



Sodium hydroxide for industrial use – Determination of sulphate content – Barium sulphate gravimetric method

Hydroxyde de sodium à usage industriel – Dosage des sulfates – Méthode gravimétrique à l'état de sulfate de baryum

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FOREWORD

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1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies a barium sulphate gravimetric method for the determination of the sulphate content of sodium hydroxide for industrial use.

The method is applicable to products having a sulphate content, expressed as sodium sulphate and calculated on NaOH equal to or greater than 0,10 % (m/m).

2 REFERENCE

ISO 3195, *Sodium hydroxide for industrial use – Sampling – Test sample – Preparation of the main solution for carrying out certain determinations.*

3 PRINCIPLE

Precipitation of sulphate as barium sulphate in dilute hydrochloric acid. Separation of the precipitate, heating at 800 ± 25 °C and weighing.

4 REAGENTS

During the analysis, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade and only distilled water or water of equivalent purity.

4.1 Hydrochloric acid, ρ approximately 1,19 g/ml, about 38 % (m/m) or approximately 12 N solution.

4.2 Sulphuric acid, ρ approximately 1,84 g/ml, about 96 % (m/m) or approximately 36 N solution.

4.3 Barium chloride dihydrate ($\text{BaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$), 122 g/l solution, or approximately 1 N.

4.4 Silver nitrate, 5 g/l nitric solution.

Dissolve 0,5 g of silver nitrate in a small amount of water, add 10 ml of nitric acid solution, ρ approximately 1,40 g/ml, and dilute to 100 ml.

4.5 Methyl orange, 0,5 g/l solution.

5 APPARATUS

Ordinary laboratory apparatus and

5.1 Platinum crucible, having a top diameter of approximately 30 mm and a height of approximately 30 mm, with lid.

5.2 Electric oven, capable of being controlled at 110 ± 2 °C.

5.3 Electric furnace, capable of being controlled at 800 ± 25 °C.

6 PROCEDURE

6.1 Test portion

Weigh, to the nearest 0,01 g, a mass of the solid or liquid test sample corresponding to approximately 10 g of NaOH (see ISO 3195).

6.2 Preparation of the test solution

Place the test portion (6.1) in a 600 ml beaker. In the case of a solid product, dissolve the test portion in 100 ml of water; in the case of a liquid product, dilute to approximately 100 ml. Add 5 drops of the solution of methyl orange (4.5) and slowly, while stirring, the volume of the hydrochloric acid solution (4.1) required for the neutralization. Then add, *immediately*, 2 ml in excess of the acid.

Transfer the solution quantitatively to a 200 ml one-mark volumetric flask, dilute to the mark and mix.

Filter on a dry, ashless, slow-speed filter paper of diameter approximately 90 mm and discard the first 10 ml of the filtrate.

6.3 Determination

Place 100,0 ml of the test solution (6.2) in a beaker of suitable capacity (for example 600 ml).

Bring to the boil, stirring continuously, and add 10 ml of the barium chloride solution (4.3) drop by drop (the addition should take about 90 s).

Maintain boiling for 2 min, stirring all the time. Heat on a boiling water bath for 2 h, stop heating and allow to stand for about 16 h.

Filter on an ashless, slow-speed filter paper of diameter approximately 90 mm (pore diameter between 0,4 and 1 μm approximately). Wash the precipitate onto the filter paper with hot water until 10 ml of the liquid flowing from the funnel remain clear for 5 min after the addition of 10 ml of the nitric solution of silver nitrate (4.4).