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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 61:1976), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- specified the loose moulding material;
- added the mandatory [Clause 2](#) (Normative references) and renumbered the subsequent clauses;
- added the mandatory [Clause 3](#) (Terms and definitions) and renumbered the subsequent clauses;
- added a “Ruler” in the list of apparatus;
- added [Figure 1](#) in apparatus;
- added the requirement “Tested samples shall not be reused” in procedure;
- added the requirement “Take two significant digits” in expression of results;
- added information to be included in the test report, i.e. “a reference to this document”, “standard deviation, and/or coefficient of variation, and/or confidence limits of mean, if required”, “any other observations”, “date of test”.

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## Introduction

Apparent density refers to the ratio of mass to apparent volume of a material in its natural state (dry state stored in air for a long time).

A knowledge of apparent density is of limited value in estimating the relative fluffiness or bulk of moulding materials, unless their densities in the moulded condition are approximately the same.

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# Plastics — Determination of apparent density of moulding material that cannot be poured from a specified funnel

## 1 Scope

This document specifies a method of determining the apparent density, i.e. the mass per unit of volume, of loose material that cannot be poured from a funnel of specified design.

NOTE For a method of determining the apparent density of loose moulding material that can be poured from a specified funnel, see ISO 60.

This document is applicable to loose moulding materials such as slice, granular or powder.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

## 4 Apparatus

**4.1 Balance**, accurate to 0,1 g.

**4.2 Ruler**, accurate to 1 mm.

**4.3 Measuring cylinder**, smoothly finished inside, which may be constructed of metal, of capacity of  $(1\,000 \pm 20)$  ml, and internal diameter  $(90 \pm 2)$  mm (see [Figure 1](#)).

**4.4 Plunger**, consisting of a hollow cylinder of mass  $(2\,300 \pm 20)$  g, close at one end and having an external diameter slightly smaller than the internal diameter of the measuring cylinder. The plunger may conveniently be weighted with lead shot (see [Figure 1](#)).