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National food safety standard – Food additives – Titanium dioxide

1 Scope

This Standard is applicable for the food additive titanium dioxide which is prepared from the raw materials such as titanic iron ore and sulfuric acid OR is prepared with rutile ore (or enriched titanic iron ore) by using chlorination.

2 Normative references

The referenced documents in this Standard are essential to the application of this Standard. For the dated documents, only the versions with the dates indicated are applicable to this Standard; for the undated documents, only the latest version (including all the amendments) are applicable to this Standard.

3 Molecular formula and relative molecular mass

3.1 Molecular formula

TiO₂

3.2 Relative molecular mass

79.87 (According to the international relative atomic weight in 2007)

4 Technical requirements

4.1 Sensory requirements

Sensory requirements shall comply with the requirements of Table 1.

Table 1 -- Sensory requirements

| Item | Requirements | Inspection methods |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| Colour, Flavour | White without peculiar smell | PLACE appropriate amount of sample into the 50mL beaker; OBSERVE the colour and tissue state under the natural light; SMELL the flavour. |
| Tissue state | Powder | |

Appendix A

(Normative)

Testing method

A.1 Warnings

Some reagents used in this Standard's test method are toxic or corrosive. It must be careful when performing the operation! If it is splashed onto the skin, the skin shall be washed with water immediately. Severe cases shall be treated immediately.

A.2 General provisions

The reagents and water used in this standard, unless otherwise specified, refer to the analytical pure reagents and the grade-3 water as specified in GB/T 6682-2008. The standard volumetric solutions, impurity standard solutions, preparations and products used in the tests shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of HG/T 3696.1, HG/T 3696.2 and HG/T 3696.3, unless otherwise specified.

A.3 Identification test

Take approximate 0.5g of the sample. Add 5mL of the sulfuric acid. Perform heating slowly until the sulfuric acid appears smog; cool it down. Carefully dilute it to 100mL with water AND; filter it. Then take approximate 5mL of the filter liquor. Add a few drops of the test solution -- hydrogen peroxide. The filter liquor appears orange red.

A.4 Determination of titanium dioxide - Aluminum reduction method

Weigh 0.20g±0.01g of the sample which has been dried, according to A.5. The accuracy is 0.0001g. Other operations are the same as the 7.1 of GB/T 1706-2006.

A.5 Determination of the loss on drying

Same as the 7.2 of GB/T 1706-2006. Dry for 3 hours.

A.6 Determination of the loss on ignition

A.6.1 Instruments and equipment

High temperature furnace: it can be controlled at 800°C±25°C.

A.6.2 Analytical procedures

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