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# National Food Safety Standard – Food Additives – Nitrogen

# 1 Application Scope

This Standard applies to food additive nitrogen produced by deep cooling air separation, pressure swing absorption, membrane separation and small special nitrogen making machine.

## 2 Molecular Formula and Relative Molecular Mass

2.1 Molecular formula

 $N_2$ 

2.2 Relative molecular mass

28.01 (in accordance with International Relative Atomic Masses 2007)

# 3 Technical Requirements

3.1 Sensory requirements

As specified in Table 1.

Table 1 - Sensory Requirements

3.2 Physiochemical indexes

As specified in Table 2.

## Annex A

### **Test Method**

#### A.1 Warning

A high-pressure gas cylinder is used in the test method of this Standard, so appropriate safety and protection measures shall be taken.

#### A.2 Identification test

Insert a small wood stick ignited carefully into a test tube filled with test gas; the flame extinguishes.

#### **A.3** Determination of nitrogen (N<sub>2</sub>) content

The volume fraction of nitrogen  $(N_2)$  content  $\varphi$  is calculated in accordance with the following equation:

$$\varphi = 100\% - \varphi_1$$
 ..... (A.1)

where

 $\varphi_1$  – volume fraction of oxygen determined in A.4.

#### **A.4** Determination of oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>)

#### A.4.1 Electrochemical process

#### **A.4.1.1** Method summary

Place samples in an appropriate form into an electrochemical reactor; measure and calculate oxygen content through direct determination method or comparative measurement method.

#### A.4.1.2 Apparatus

Trace oxygen analyzer: as specified in GB/T 6285.

#### **A.4.1.3** Analysis procedure

Measurement shall be as specified in GB/T 6285; specific operation shall be as specified in the specifications of apparatus.

#### A.4.2 Zirconia detector gas chromatographic method

#### A.4.2.1 Method summary

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