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Iron Ores - Determination of Apparent Density, True Density and Porosity

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1 Scope

This Standard specifies the determination method of apparent density, true density and porosity of iron ores.

This Standard is applicable to the determination of apparent density, true density and porosity of pelletized iron ores.

2 Normative References

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GB/T 8170 *Rules of Rounding off for Numerical Values & Expression and Judgement of Limiting Values*

GB/T 10122 *Iron Ores (sinter and pellets) - Sampling and Sample Preparation for Physical Testing*

GB/T 10322.1 *Iron Ores - Sampling and Sample Preparation Procedures* (GB/T 10322.1-2000, idt ISO 3082:1998)

3 Apparent Density

3.1 Principle

After immersing water into the pores of the pelletized iron ores, respectively weigh the

3.5.2 Place the sample into the test basket; immerse the test basket that contains the sample into distilled water; shake the test basket to remove bubbles. After placing it still for 20 min, record the sum of the mass of the sample and the test basket as m_2 , see Figure A.3 in Appendix A.

3.5.3 Remove the pelletized iron ores from the distilled water; place them independently of each other in a pair of absorbent sponges (3.3.2). Then, use hands to gently squeeze the sponge, so as to absorb the distilled water attached to the test sample. Weigh and record its mass as m_3 .

NOTE: use fresh surface of gauze.

3.5.4 Re-immerses an empty test basket into water; record the mass of the test basket in water as m_4 .

3.5.5 Measure the temperature of water in the container. Use the table in Appendix B to obtain the density of distilled water at this temperature.

3.6 Calculation of Apparent Density

Use Formula (1) to calculate the apparent density ρ_a of the test sample.

$$\rho_a = \frac{m_1}{m_3 - (m_2 - m_4)} \rho_1 \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Where,

ρ_a ---apparent density, expressed in (g/cm³);

m_1 ---mass of sample in the air, expressed in (g);

m_2 ---sum of mass of sample and test basket in water, expressed in (g);

m_3 ---mass of web bulb in the air, expressed in (g);

m_4 ---mass of test basket in water, expressed in (g);

ρ_1 ---density of distilled water at test temperature, expressed in (g/cm³).

4 True Density

4.1 Principle

Add the sample into a container of already-known volume. Seal the container, then, inlet a certain amount of helium gas. Use a pressure sensor to measure the pressure in the container, then, diffuse the gas in the container to another container of already-known pressure and volume. Use a pressure sensor to measure the equilibrium

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