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Methods for sampling and testing aggregates  
Method 15: Flakiness index

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**1 SCOPE**

This Standard sets out a method for determining the flakiness index of an aggregate. The Method applies to aggregates having a nominal size not greater than 63.0 mm and having at least 80% by mass retained on a 4.75 mm sieve. The Method makes reference to a particle size distribution procedure which is required for determination of flakiness index.

**2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

The documents below are referred to in this Standard:

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| 1141    | Methods for sampling and testing aggregates                     |
| 1141.2  | Method 2: Basic testing equipment                               |
| 1141.11 | Method 11: Particle size distribution by dry sieving            |
| 1141.12 | Method 12: Material finer than 75 µm in aggregates (by washing) |
| 1152    | Specification for test sieves                                   |

**3 DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of this Standard, the definitions below apply:

**3.1 Mean dimension**

The mean of the smallest sieve aperture through which the particle passes and the largest sieve on which the particle is retained.

**3.2 Flaky particle**

A particle with a least dimension (thickness) less than 0.6 of its mean dimension.

**3.3 Flakiness index**

The percentage by mass of flaky particles.

**NOTE** For all shape factors the relative effect between size fractions is volumetric and not gravimetric but, in practice, testing and calculations are carried out on a 'per mass' basis. This does not introduce significant error unless the test sample contains particles of markedly different densities.