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Foreword

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Clause 4 covers general and Clause 5 specific application requirements for both domestic and hospitality wares, with separate subclauses where the requirements differ.

This British Standard specifies important safety requirements relating to the release of metals from ceramic tableware in contact with foodstuffs and also specifies other important requirements relevant to ceramic tableware for both domestic and hospitality applications.

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1 Scope

This British Standard specifies performance requirements for ceramic tableware intended for domestic and hospitality use.

Where domestic and hospitality requirements differ, test methods for both are specified.

NOTE A higher performance specification is typically required for hospitality ware.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

Standards publications

ASTM C368, *Standard Test Method for Impact Resistance of Ceramic Tableware*

ASTM C927-80, *Standard Test Method for Lead and Cadmium Extracted from the Lip and Rim Area of Glass Tumblers Externally Decorated With Ceramic Glass Enamels*

BS 4034:1990, *British Standard Specification for vitrified hotelware*

BS 5416:1990, *British Standard Specification for China tableware*

BS 6748, *Specification for Limits of metal release from ceramic ware, glassware, glass ceramic ware and vitreous enamel ware*

BS EN 1183:1997, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Test methods for thermal shock and thermal shock endurance*

BS EN 1184:1997, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Test methods for translucency of ceramic articles*

BS EN 1217:1998, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Test methods for water absorption of ceramic articles*

BS EN 1900:1992, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Non-metallic tableware – Terminology*

BS EN 12875-4, *Mechanical dishwashing resistance of utensils – Part 4: Rapid test for domestic ceramic articles*

BS EN 12875-5, *Mechanical dishwashing resistance of utensils – Part 5: Rapid test for ceramic catering articles*

BS EN 12980, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Non-metallic articles for catering and industrial use – Method of test for the determination of impact resistance*

BS EN 13258:2003, *Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs – Test methods for crazing resistance of ceramic articles*

BS EN 13834:2007+A1:2009, *Cookware – Ovenware for use in traditional domestic ovens*

BS EN 15284, *Materials and articles in contact with food stuffs – Test method for the resistance to microwave heating of ceramic, glass, glass-ceramic or plastics cookware*