

### SOIL WATER PERMEABILITY TEST

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### P1.87

For laboratory tests undisturbed samples in sample rings are necessary: before sampling the cutting shoe (with sample ring in it) is connected to the ringholder.



An undisturbed sample is taken with the ringholder, whereafter it will be analysed in the permeameter.



The planning and execution of hydrological- and soil technical projects (for instance drainage and irrigation) is almost always preceded by geo-hydrologic research. The water and air permeability of the soil to a large extend determines how efficient an irrigation- or drainage system functions.

Determining the saturated water permeability (horizontal as well as vertical) can be executed in the field (see P1.60) or in the laboratory with a soil water permeameter.

In case of the laboratory soil water permeameter use is made of undisturbed soil samples taken in soil sample rings with the soil sample ring kit (see also P1.31).

#### 09.02 Soil water permeameters

In principle it is possible to design the soil water permeameters in any required size. The size is determined by the number of soil samples of which the saturated water permeability is to be determined simultaneously.

Designs for 5 up to 25 soil sample rings can be supplied.

The permeameters are available for soil sample rings with an external diameter of 53 or 60 mm.

A closed or an open system can be applied. In case of a closed system a storage cistern, a circulation pump and a filter are provided.

If an open system is applied these attributes are not needed, as in this case the setup allows a connection to the main water supply and drainage to take place in a washing basin.

A closed system offers the facility to measure other fluids than water from the main water supply. In case of samples from a salty environment, for instance, salt needs to be added to the water.



Soil water permeameter for 10 samples, closed system

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#### Advantages

The advantages of a closed permeameter compared to an open system are:

- Location independence as no drainage is needed.
- Constant water temperature, equal to the temperature in the laboratory, guarantees constant viscosity.
- □ Always the same water quality.
- Saves water.

#### Applications

The soil water permeameter is used for measuring the saturated permeability of undisturbed soil samples in sample rings. The permeability factor (K-factor) gives accurate information about:

- The presence of disturbing soil layers which prevent a speedy outflow of precipitation.
- The correlation between permeability and other soil properties such as porosity, granular composition, etc.
- □ The vertical and horizontal permeability.

With these data one can derive further conclusions for the benefit of:

- □ Irrigation and drainage systems.
- Well pumping.
- Subsidence phenomena.
- Predictions concerning the spread of polluting fluids resulting from calamities.
- Soil improvement- and maintenance advice.



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The soil sample ring fitted with a sieve disc and filter gauze is placed in the sample ring cartridge of the permeameter.



By catching the drained water in a burette during a fixed period of time (cm<sup>3</sup>/min) and applying a certain formula, the K-factor (=permeability factor) of the soil sample involved, can be determined.



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Measuring bridge of permeameter



Soil sample ring kit, complete set



Sample ring cartridge



## PARTS LIST

Art.no.	Description	Qty. in set	Art.no.	Description	Qty. in set
Soil water per	meability test (P1.87)			contents 100 cc max. d	leviation
	The water permeability on			less than 0.5 %, incl. 4 covers Ø 53 mm (rings	8 plastic numbered
	be measured in the laboratory.		07.01.60.NN	Aluminium case with 2 sample rings. Ø 60x56	24 soil mm.
09.02	Soil water permeameters			height 40.5 mm, conte max. volume deviation	ents 100 cc, 1 0.5 %,
	These permeameters are suppl in various designs:	These permeameters are supplied in various designs:		incl. 48 plastic covers Ø 60 mm (rings numbered 1 to 24)	
	- an open or closed system - suitable for 5, 10 or 25 soil sa - suitable for soil sample rings	mples	07.53.SC	Sample ring kit model standard set to a dept	C, h of 2 m.
	Ø 53 and 60 mm.		07.60.SC	For soil sample rings Ø Sample ring kit model	53 mm C,
	Permeameters, open system fo soil sample rings Ø 53 and 60 r	or nm.		standard set to a dept For soil sample rings Ø	h of 2 m 960 mm
09.02.01.05	Permeameter, open system, on	e-		On special demand the meters can be used fo	e permea- r soil sample
	ring holders for soil sample ring Ø 53 as well as 60 mm	g		rings with Ø 84x80 mr following accessories	n. The are needed:
09.02.01.10	Permeameter, open system, on point measuring bridge, with 1	Permeameter, open system, one- point measuring bridge, with 10 ring holders for soil sample ring Ø 53 as well as 60 mm Permeameter, open system, ope-		Permeameter ring hold	der for soil
	ring holders for soil sample ring Ø 53 as well as 60 mm			Double sieve disc for soil sample rings with Ø 84 mm Aluminium case with 10 soil	1 mm oil sample
09.02.01.25	point measuring bridge, with 2 ring holders for soil sample ring	ring bridge, with 25 for soil sample ring			10 soil
	Ø 53 as well as 60 mm	5		sample rings, Ø 84x80 height 50 mm, conten	mm, ts 250 cc,
	Permeameters, closed system f soil sample rings Ø 53 and 60 r	or nm:		max. volume deviation incl. 20 plastic covers & (rings numbered 1 to 2	⊔ 3 %, 0 84 mm 10)
09.02.02.05	Permeameter, closed system, or point measuring bridge, with 5	ne-	07.84.SC	Sample ring kit model standard set to a dept	C, h of 2 m.
	ring holders for soil ample ring Ø 53 as well as 60 mm			For soil sample rings Ø	84 mm
09.02.02.10	Permeameter, closed system, or point measuring bridge, with 1 ring holders for soil sample rin	ne- 0 a			
09.02.02.25	Ø 53 as well as 60 mm Permeameter, closed system, or	ne-			
	point measuring bridge, with 2 ring holders for soil sample ring	:5 g			
	Spare parts for permeameters:				
09.02.11.01	Filter cartridge for closed system	m			
09.02.11.02	Glass burette with stop cock, graduation 0-40 ml, length 49 Glass burette with stop cock	cm			
09.02.11.04	graduation 0-40 ml, length 51. Plastic syphon	5 cm			
09.02.12.01	Permeameter ring holder for so sample rings with Ø 53 and 60	oil mm			
09.02.12.02	Double sieve disc for soil sampl rings with Ø 53 and 60 mm	e			
08.01.10	90x135 cm	aim.			
	The permeameters are supplied without soil sample rings (to b	d e			
	ordered separately). We supply two types of soil sa	mple			
	rings for the permeameters:	mpie			
	- Ø 53x50 mm - Ø 60x56 mm				
07.01.53.NN	Aluminium case with 24 soil sa rings, Ø 53x50 mm height 51 m	mple 1m,			