

SetaflashTM

Small Scale Flash Point Testing



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What is Setaflash Small Scale Flash Point Testing?

Flash point is the lowest temperature of a liquid at which its vapours will form a combustible mixture with air. Flash point is a key property for petroleum products and chemicals and is included in many specifications.

Closed cup tests simulate an enclosed environment for example storage in a tank or sealed container, whilst open cup tests simulate an uncontained condition, for example a spillage. Closed cup tests are usually specifed due to improved precision.

Setaflash methods cover flash point tests within the range -30 to 300°C using a small scale closed cup tester. The procedures can determine whether a product will or not (flash/no flash Method A) at a specified temperature, or the flash point of a sample (Method B).

Small scale tests are typically used to assist the rapid classification of potentially hazardous substances where storage, transport and disposal charges are based on flammability and where correct classification is vitally important and has significant cost and safety implications.

The small scale 'ramp' test method ASTM D7236 provides a definitive flash point result that has established correlation with ASTM D3828. Many specifications call for the use of these test methods as an alternative to ASTM D93 Pensky-Martens or ASTM D56 Tag and other flash point tests.



 Watch a video demonstration: www.stanhope-seta.co.uk/setaflash.html
Or scan the QR code opposite.



Why measure Flash Point?



Quality Control – Checking for Contamination or Adulteration

Petroleum and Chemical Industries are mostly affected by contamination problems which can occur during storage, handling and in pipelines throughout the distribution network.

Changes in flash point indicate that a sample may have been contaminated or adulterated which can adversely affect consistency and product performance.



Transport & Storage Regulations to categorise product for Hazard Classification

Flash point is used in shipping and safety regulations to define flammable and combustible materials and classify their hazard potential which has significant cost implications when transporting or storing products.

Flash point can indicate the possible presence of highly volatile and flammable materials in a relatively non-volatile or non-flammable material.



CLP Regulations

CLP is a regulatory framework for the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures in the EU.



Waste Disposal Regulations

Regulations now require rapid hazard classification of a sample (liquids, used oils and solids) before they can be disposed of.

The advantages of Setaflash

- A safe ϑ simple test which anyone can perform
- Rapid test result in 1-2 minutes
- Small sample size just 2 or 4ml
- 'Ramp' mode tests for the unknown flash point
- Wide temperature range suitable for most materials







All methods can be downloaded from the international standards organisation's website. Note IP/ISO/ASTM do not endorse any specific instruments, however these organisations develog global standards used by the industry.

Where is Setaflash used?

Setaflash is an internationally recognised and approved test method giving proven results, the instrument is specified in many international specifications and correlates with other closed cup methods, such as Pensky-Martens, Abel and Tag, for a wide range of products.

Setaflash is included in the following test methods;

ASTM D3278; ASTM D3828; ASTM D7236; ASTM E502; IP 523; IP 524; IP 534; IP 303 (obs); ISO 3679; ISO 3680; CLP Regulations EC No.1272/2008; USDOT; USEPA; US OSHA

Fuel | Diesel | Aviation Fuel | Marine Fuel | Biodiesel | FAME | Ethanol Oils - Lubricating, Hydraulic, Base, Mineral | Chemicals | Pharmaceuticals Paints | Cosmetics | Waste

Learn more online: www.stanhope-seta.co.uk/small-scale-flashpoint-testing.asp



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Setaflash Series 3

- Temperature range 10 to 130°C or Ambient to 300°C (Depending on model)
- Sub-Ambient Tests and Rapid Cool Down
- Large format display
- Full touch screen display*
- · Control via push button if preferred
- Barometric correction included*
- Portable, lightweight, compact design
- Realtime clock*
- Results storage 1GB data capacity*
- USB output*
- · Corrosion Resistant option*

*Model options

Setaflash Series 3 provides the fastest, most accurate range of flash point instruments at a cost effective price. A range of unparalled features ensures ease of operation with only minimal operator skill required. It is ideal for performing product checks without the cost or delay of sending samples to third party test houses

The Series 3 range includes options for Corrosion Resistant or Aluminium cups, Closed or Open Cup, a Ramp model and an ActiveCool version which offers peltier heating/cooling.







Inject 2ml sample



Press



Dip test flame, flash detection is automatic

Setaflash Series 8

- Temperature range -20 to 130°C or Ambient +5 to 300°C (Depending on model)
- Small sample size, 2 or 4ml
- Corrosion Resistant cup option
- Electric ignitor (with gas option)
- Automatic dipping and flash detection
- ActiveCool electronic Peltier cooling
- 64 Test memory & RS232 interface
- °C or °F temperature display
- Barometric pressure correction

Series 8 Setaflash Tester allows automatic, rapid testing of multiple samples without the need for manual supervision during a test. The Series 8 is suited to users requiring to perform more than 30 tests per week.

Integral electric or gas ignition options mean the instrument can be used where a gas ignition is not practical. Results are recorded and stored for download to a pc or printer.

The ActiveCool model incorporates peltier heating and cooling which boosts cooldown allowing fast sample disposal and shorter test cycle. Users can choose Corrosion resistant or Aluminium cups.

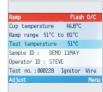




Electrical Ignitor



System



> Easy to use Menu System



Setaflash Calibration & Verification

In conformance with ISO 17025 and mandatory test method requirements, Setaflash instruments must be verified annually using a sample with a known/certified flash point. Seta's Small Scale Certified Flash Point material (reference 99878-3) is recommended.

Verification of temperature display is checked using a suitable thermometer, the Seta digital thermometer (reference 30008-0) is recommended.



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Applications: which instrument suits my sample?

| Industry: | Application: | Temperature Range: | Seta Product Reference: | |
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| Petroleum & Derivatives Refining | Testing for QA/contamination where product is pumped through multi-product pipeline. Also used for H&S and transport regulations. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2 | |
| Lubricants | QC and research of lubes. Used oil analysis to detect evaporation/contamination by volatiles under working conditions. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2 | |
| Oil & Gas Rigs | Test quality of samples and for sump contamination of pumphead machinery. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Chemicals | Testing solvents used in production, H&S of finished product and safety classification for transport regulations. | Below 200°C | 30000-0, 33000-0, 82000-0 | |
| Oil Treatment/Recovery | QC on base oils and checking contamination of used/recovered oils and fuels. Used oils are checked prior to storage and re-refining. H&S and transport regulations apply. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Road Tanker/Shipping Terminals | QC of storage tanks and deliveries. Safety classification for transport regulations. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Aviation & Aircraft | QC of incoming fuel and oils, H&S and transport. Specification conformance. | 30°C to 399°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Biodiesel | Flash point testing checks that chemicals, such as methanol, used in the manufacturing process are below safe levels. | 130°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Synthetic Resins | Resins are used for paints, varnish, glue, etc. Checked for QC, H&S and safety classification for transport regulations. | 15°C to 150°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Paints & Varnishes | Research, QC and safety. Flammability classification for transport regulations. Recommended for water-borne paints. | Below 100°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Adhesives & Sealants | Testing esters and ketones for flammability classification for transport regulations. Also certification for Defence and Civil Aviation Authorities and Quality Audits to relevant standards. | Up to 150°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Perfumes, Flavours & Fragrances | Tests on solvent/water mixtures. Flammability classification for transport regulations and safety in use. Material tends to be expensive so SetaFlash 2ml sample size highly desirable. | Ambient to 110°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 33200-2 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Formulated Pesticides | Used for flammability classification for transport regulations and R&D purposes. | Up to 150°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Soap & Synthetic Detergents | Used for research & testing of solvents in cosmetics & aftershaves. Used for QA, flammability classification for transport, H&S and R&D. | Under 200°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Chemical Products (polishes, cleaners) | Flash point criteria are specified in most products at R&D stage. Further tests are carried out for H&S and flammability classification for transport regulations. | 30°C to 150°C | 33000-2, 82000-0 | |
| Printing Inks | The lowest flashpoint solvent used is taken as the safety benchmark for flammability classification for transport regulations. | Below 100°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 33200-2 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Waste Disposal | Tests used to classify waste prior to disposal. | Hexane <100°C, Pure Oil >300°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Transport Regulations | Flammability classification for road, rail, air and sea. | Extremely flammable <0°C Highly flammable <21°C Flammable <55°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 33200-2 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Edible Oils & fats | Consumers and food manufacturers use these products at elevated temperatures during cooking and processing and hence flash point is checked to ensure refining processes and safety limits are correctly maintained. | Up to 30°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Pharmaceutical | Flash point tests are used by Pharmaceutical companies to check stated flash points on raw materials and finished products for consumer and regulatory requirements. | <100°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 33200-2 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Energy & Power | Turbine and Transformer oils are routinely tested for flash point to confirm product integrity from contamination that may affect performance or safety. | Up to 20°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Bitumen & Asphalt | Used for shipping and safety regulations and to indicate the possible presence of more volatile or flammable compounds in an otherwise relatively non-volatile or non-flammable material. | >200°C | 30000-2, 33000-2, 82000-0, 82100-0 | |
| Crude | Flash point testing provides an indication about the volatility of crude oil and therefore how safely it may be extracted, transported and stored, and the potential costs involved. | Below 0°C | 82100-0 | |

The Setaflash range

| Seta Model: | Seta Part No: | Temperature Range: | Ramp Rate: | Cup Material: | Heating/Cooling Method: | Size (HxWxD) / Weight: |
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| Series 3 Activecool | 33200-2 | 10 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | Peltier Cell | 26 x 28 x 26cm / 5kg |
| Series 3 Activecool (Corrosion Resistent) | 33250-2 | 10 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Corrosion resisting steel | Peltier Cell | 26 x 28 x 26cm / 5kg |
| Series 3 'Plus' (Auto Ramp) | 33000-2 | Ambient to 300°C *(0 to 300°C with coolant module) | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | External Cooling module (13870-0) | 21 x 14 x 28cm / 3kg |
| Series 3 Open Cup | 31000-0 | Ambient to 300°C *(0 to 300°C with coolant module) | | Aluminium | External Cooling module (13870-0) | 26 x 28 x 26cm / 5kg |
| Series 3 | 30000-2 | Ambient to 300°C *(0 to 300°C with coolant module) | NA | Aluminium | External Cooling module (13870-0) | 21 x 14 x 28cm / 3kg |
| Series 8 High Temperature | 82000-0 | Ambient +5 to 300°C | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | Ceramic Pad, Forced Air (post-test cooldown) | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |
| Series 8 High Temperature (Gas) | 82050-0 | Ambient +5 to 300°C | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | Ceramic Pad, Forced Air (post-test cooldown) | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |
| Series 8 Activecool | 82100-0 | Air: 10 to 130°C Water Assisted: -20 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | Peltier Cell | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |
| Series 8 Activecool (Gas) | 81150-0 | Air: 10 to 130°C Water Assisted: -20 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Aluminium | Peltier Cell | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |
| Series 8 Activecool (Corrosion Resistent) | 82150-0 | Air: 10 to 130°C Water Assisted: -20 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Corrosion resisting steel | Peltier Cell | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |
| Series 8 Activecool (Corrosion Resistent, Gas) | 82160-0 | Air: 10 to 130°C Water Assisted: -20 to 130°C | 2°C/min ramp | Corrosion resisting steel | Peltier Cell | 25 x 34 x 38cm / 8kg |