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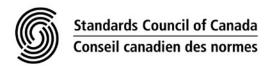
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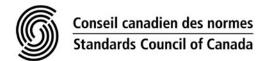
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#### 1 <u>PURPOSE</u>

This standard specifies the physical, chemical and biological characteristics of compost as well as the sampling method and the methods of analysis that shall be used to evaluate these characteristics.

#### 2 SCOPE

This standard applies to compost produced from different feedstocks, used as organic soil conditioners, sold or distributed in bags or in bulk.

This document was developed to serve as a reference document for the conformity assessment activities related to specific products.

NOTE — Conformity assessment is defined as the systematic examination of the extent to which a process fulfils specified requirements.

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