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# Test method T863

## Freedom from coarse particles

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### 1. Scope

This test method sets out the procedure for assessing the presence and nature of coarse particles in red lead paints. The method consists of the visual inspection of the paint while stirring, pouring, etc., for foreign matter, aggregate particles of skin, etc. The procedure is identical to AS 1580.103.1.

### 2. Procedure

- (a) Thoroughly stir the sample with a spatula and inspect for coarse particles by examining the paint as it flows from the spatula or as it is poured into another container.
- (b) If necessary pass the sample through a sieve with mesh aperture of 212  $\mu\text{m}$ , to collect any coarse material and wash well with the appropriate solvent.
- (c) Determine the nature of the coarse material by an appropriate method depending upon the extent or the characterisation required.

### 3. Reporting

Report the presence and nature of the coarse particles if present.