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Method 14: Calculation of the acid-producing potential of acid sulfate soil using an
acid base accounting method**

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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Australian members of the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EV-009, Sampling and Analysis of Soil and Biota and Working Group EV-009-02-01, Analysis of Acid Sulfate Soil.

The objective of this Standard is to provide a method for the calculation of acid-producing potential in acid sulfate soil.

METHOD

1 SCOPE

This Standard provides an acid base accounting method to calculate the net acid-producing potential of acid sulfate soil materials by individually assessing the acid producing capacity due to oxidation of inorganic sulfides, the existing acidity and the effective acid consuming capacity.

NOTE: If the acid-producing capacity due to inorganic sulfide oxidation exceeds the effective acid consuming capacity then the soil material is termed an acid sulfate soil requiring careful management to avoid adverse environmental effects due to acidification.

The term ‘informative’ has been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which it applies. An ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard.

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| 4969 | Analysis of acid sulfate soil—Dried samples—Methods of test |
| 4969.0 | Part 0: Introduction and definitions, symbols and acronyms |
| 4969.2 | Method 2: Determination of pH_{KCl} and titratable actual acidity (TAA) |
| 4969.3 | Method 3: Determination of peroxide pH (pH_{OX}) and titratable peroxide acidity (TPA) and excess acid neutralizing capacity (ANC_E) |