Pipe threads where pressure-tight joints are made on the threads —

Part 1:
Dimensions, tolerances and designation

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Foreword

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ISO 7 consists of the following parts, under the general title Pipe threads where pressure-tight joints are made on the threads:

— Part 1: Dimensions, tolerances and designation
— Part 2: Verification by means of limit gauges

Annex A of this part of ISO 7 is for information only.
Pipe threads where pressure-tight joints are made on the threads —

Part 1:
Dimensions, tolerances and designation

1 Scope

This part of ISO 7 specifies the requirements for thread form, dimensions, tolerances and designation for jointing pipe threads, sizes 1/16 to 6 inclusive, for joints made pressure-tight by the mating of the threads. These threads are taper external, parallel internal or taper internal and are intended for use with pipes suitable for threading and for valves, fittings or other pipeline equipment interconnected by threaded joints.

An appropriate jointing medium should be used on the thread to ensure pressure-tight joints.

NOTES

1 Parallel external pipe threads are not suitable as jointing threads.
2 For pipe threads where pressure-tight joints are not made on the threads, see ISO 228-1.
3 ISO 7-2 gives details of methods of verification of jointing thread dimensions and form and recommended gauging systems.

2 Normative reference

The following standard contains provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 7. At the time of publication, the edition indicated was valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 7 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the standard indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.


3 Definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 7, the following definitions apply (see also figures 3 and 5).

3.1 gauge diameter: Major diameter of the thread, whether external or internal.
3.2 major cone: Imaginary cone which just touches the crests of a taper external thread or the roots of a taper internal thread.
3.3 gauge plane: Plane, perpendicular to the axis of the taper thread, at which the major cone has the gauge diameter.

NOTE 4 For external threads the gauge plane is located at a distance equal to the nominal gauge length from the small end of the thread. For internal threads the gauge plane is located at a distance of half-pitch behind the face of the threaded part. This is in order to give consideration to the start of the thread that has been removed by chamfering.

3.4 gauge length: On an external thread, the distance from the gauge plane to the small end of the thread.
3.5 reference plane: Visible surface of each of the internally and externally threaded parts, which facili-
states the reading of the gauge when the thread is inspected.

For internal threads it is the face of the internally threaded part, for external threads it is the small end of the externally threaded part.

3.6 complete thread: That part of the thread which is fully formed at both crest and root.

NOTE 5 When there is a chamfer at the start of the thread not exceeding one pitch in length, this is included in the length of complete thread.

3.7 incomplete thread: That part of the thread which is fully formed at the root, but truncated at the crest by its intersection with the cylindrical surface of the product.

3.8 washout thread; vanish thread: That part of the thread which is not fully formed at the root.

NOTE 6 The washout thread is produced by the bevel at the start of the threading tool.

3.9 useful thread: Complete thread plus incomplete thread, excluding the washout thread.

3.10 fitting allowance: Length of useful thread beyond the gauge plane of an external thread required to provide for assembly with an internal thread at the upper limit of the tolerance.

NOTE 7 Internally threaded parts will have a sufficient length to accommodate the fitting allowance, except when they have a free run-out. See 7.2.2.

3.11 wrenching allowance: Length of useful thread which is provided to accommodate the relative movement between the end of the externally threaded part and the internally threaded part required for wrenching beyond the position of handtight engagement.

4 Symbols

\( P \) Pitch

\( H \) Height of the triangle of the thread profile perpendicular to the thread axis

\( h = 0.640 \times 327 \times P \), height of the thread profile between rounded crests and roots perpendicular to the thread axis

\( r \) Radius of rounded crests and roots

\( D \) Major diameter of the internal thread at the gauge plane (gauge diameter — see 3.1)

\( D_1 \) \( D - 1.280 \times 654 \times P \); minor diameter of the internal thread at the gauge plane

\( D_2 \) \( D - 0.640 \times 327 \times P \); pitch diameter of the internal thread at the gauge plane

\( d \) Major diameter of the external thread at the gauge plane (gauge diameter — see 3.1)

\( d_1 \) \( d - 1.280 \times 654 \times P \); minor diameter of the external thread at the gauge plane

\( d_2 \) \( d - 0.640 \times 327 \times P \); pitch diameter of the external thread at the gauge plane

\( T_1 \) Tolerance on the gauge length of an external thread

\( T_2 \) Tolerance for the position of the gauge plane on an internal thread

5 Dimensions

Pipe thread dimensions, in millimetres, are given in table 1.

6 Designation

The designation of threads according to this part of ISO 7 shall consist of the following elements in the sequence given:

6.1 The description block shall be:

Pipe thread

6.2 The International Standard number block shall be:

ISO 7
### Table 1 — Thread dimensions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Designation of thread</th>
<th>Number of threads in 25.4 mm</th>
<th>Pitch</th>
<th>Height of thread</th>
<th>Major (gauge) diameter</th>
<th>Turn of thread</th>
<th>Gauge length (external thread)</th>
<th>Tolerance on position of gauge plane on internal thread</th>
<th>Length of useful external thread not less than</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>h</td>
<td>d</td>
<td>d₀</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Tolerance ± h/2</td>
<td>For nominal gauge length</td>
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1. For parallel internally threaded parts the diametrical tolerances are derived from the tolerances in column 14 by multiplying with the corresponding pitch in column 3 and with 1/16, the amount of taper.

2. Informativ tolerances, in millimetres, are obtained from the mandatory values in turns of thread by multiplying with the corresponding pitch in column 3. **Note** — The main dimensions were converted into millimetres on the basis of 1 inch = 25.4 mm, beginning with the number of threads per inch, which determines the pitch P, the formula h (the height of thread) = 0.640 327 P and the major diameter at the gauge plane. Pitch diameter and minor diameter were then compiled by subtracting once or twice respectively the height of thread h from the major diameter.

The nominal gauge length, the tolerances and the fitting allowance were directly computed. The remaining lengths given in table 1 were obtained by subtracting or adding the tolerances or fitting allowance respectively to the nominal gauge length. Tolerances and fitting allowance are expressed in millimetres and in number of turns of thread.
6.3 The individual item block shall be composed of:

a) letter symbol(s) for type of pipe thread

— the letter R followed by the letter p for parallel internal threads;
— the letter R followed by the letter c for taper (conical) internal threads;
— the letter R for external threads;

b) the thread size, from column 1 of Table 1.

EXAMPLES

The complete designation for a right-hand thread size 1 1/2:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Internal thread</th>
<th>parallel</th>
<th>Pipe thread ISO 7-Rp 1 1/2</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>taper</td>
<td>Pipe thread ISO 7-Rc 1 1/2</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

| External thread | always taper | Pipe thread ISO 7-R 1 1/2 |

6.4 For left-hand threads, the letters LH shall be added to the designation. Right-hand threads require no special designation.

7 Thread design

7.1 Thread forms

7.1.1 Parallel thread

The basic form of the parallel pipe thread shall be as shown in figure 1. The angle between the flanks, measured in an axial plane section, is 55°. The thread profiles are rounded equally at crests and roots by circular arcs blending tangentially with the flanks.

7.1.2 Taper thread

The basic form of the taper pipe thread shall be as shown in figure 2. The taper is 1 to 16, measured on the diameter. The angle between the flanks, measured in an axial plane section, is 55°, the flanks making equal angles with the axis.

The thread profiles are rounded off equally at crests and roots by circular arcs blending tangentially with the flanks in such a manner as to give the same thread height h as for parallel threads.
7.1.3 Direction of thread helix

Unless otherwise specified, the ISO 7-1 thread shall be a right-hand thread. (See also 6.4.)

7.2 Thread lengths

7.2.1 External thread

The terms relating to the external taper pipe thread are given in figure 3.

The length of the useful thread, allowable in practice, is the sum of the lengths of the complete and incomplete threads, excluding the washout thread. The minimum length of the useful thread must be not less than the minimum gauge length plus the fitting allowance.

7.2.2 Internal thread

The design of internally threaded parts shall be such that they can receive external threads up to the lengths given in column 16 of table 1. The minimum lengths \( L_{\text{min}} \) of useful thread in the case of internal threads with free run-out shall be not less than 80 % of the values given in column 17 of table 1. (See figure 4.)

8 Gauging

For the verification of pipe threads, the plug and ring gauges used shall conform to ISO 7-2. The gauging always relates to a reference plane of the threaded part to be verified (see figure 5).

9 Combination with fastening thread

The combination of an external parallel thread \( G \), tolerance class A or B in accordance with ISO 228-1, with an internal parallel thread \( Rp \) in accordance with ISO 7-1 needs special consideration.

When it is necessary to have this combination, the positive or negative tolerance of the internal thread to ISO 7-1 shall be considered in the relevant product standards, where external parallel threads \( G \) are used.

Such a combination of threads may not necessarily achieve a leak-tight joint.

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Figure 3 — Terms relating to external threads
Figure 4 — Internal threads with free run-out

Figure 5 — Illustration of internal and external pipe threads (position of gauge plane, reference plane useful thread)
Annex A
(informative)

Bibliography