
**Petroleum liquids and liquefied petroleum
gases — Measurement — Standard
reference conditions**

*Produits pétroliers liquides et gaz de pétrole liquéfiés — Mesurage —
Conditions normales de référence*

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 5024:1976), of which it constitutes a technical revision in that it excludes natural gas from the scope.

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Introduction

Most custody transfers of crude petroleum and its products are transacted in volumetric quantities. Since crude oils and petroleum products have relatively high coefficients of thermal expansion and compressibility, volumes are corrected to standard conditions of temperature and pressure in order to provide a meaningful and consistent basis for measurement. The definition of standard reference conditions is therefore of fundamental importance in measurement, calculation and accounting of petroleum quantities.

At the time of publication of this International Standard, reference conditions for crude petroleum and its products at 20 °C and 60 °F are still in use in some countries.

It is hoped that the worldwide trend to the exclusive use of the International System of Units (SI) will ultimately establish a single uniform set of standard reference conditions which will further simplify the requirements of world trade and commerce.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the standard reference conditions of pressure and temperature for measurements carried out on crude petroleum and its products, including liquefied petroleum gases.

It excludes natural gas.

NOTE Standard reference conditions for natural gas are given in ISO 13443¹⁾.

2 Standard reference conditions

The standard reference conditions of pressure and temperature for use in measurements on crude petroleum and its products shall be 101,325 kPa²⁾ (absolute) and 15 °C, with the exception of liquid hydrocarbons having a vapour pressure greater than atmospheric at 15 °C, in which case the standard pressure shall be equilibrium vapour pressure at 15 °C.

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¹⁾ ISO 13443:1996, *Natural gas — Standard reference conditions*.

²⁾ 101,325 kPa = 1,013 25 bar = 1 013, 25 mbar = 1 atm

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