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Part 16:
Rigid fuel line

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ISO 15500 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Road vehicles — Compressed natural gas (CNG) fuel system components*:

— *Part 1: General requirements and definitions*

— *Part 2: Performance and general test methods*

— *Part 3: Check valve*

— *Part 4: Manual valve*

— *Part 5: Manual cylinder valve*

— *Part 6: Automatic valve*

— *Part 7: Gas injector*

— *Part 8: Pressure indicator*

— *Part 9: Pressure regulator*

— *Part 10: Gas-flow adjuster*

— *Part 11: Gas/air mixer*

— *Part 12: Pressure relief valve (PRV)*

— *Part 13: Pressure relief device (PRD)*

— *Part 14: Excess flow valve*

⎯ *Part 15: Gas-tight housing and ventilation hose*

⎯ *Part 16: Rigid fuel line*

⎯ *Part 17: Flexible fuel line*

⎯ *Part 18: Filter*

⎯ *Part 19: Fittings*

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1   Scope

This part of ISO 15500 specifies tests and requirements for the rigid fuel line, a compressed natural gas fuel system component in accordance with ISO 1127 intended for use on the types of motor vehicles defined in ISO 3833.

This part of ISO 15500 is applicable to vehicles using natural gas in accordance with ISO 15403 (mono-fuel, bi-fuel or dual-fuel applications). It is not applicable to the following:

a)   liquefied natural gas (LNG) fuel system components located upstream of, and including, the vaporizer;

b)   fuel containers;

c)   stationary gas engines;

d)   container mounting hardware;

e)   electronic fuel management;

f)   refuelling receptacles.

NOTE 1   It is recognized that miscellaneous components not specifically covered herein can be examined to meet the criteria of this part of ISO 15500 and tested according to the appropriate functional tests.

NOTE 2   All references to pressure in this part of ISO 15500 are to be considered gauge pressures unless otherwise specified.

NOTE 3   This part of ISO 15500 is based upon a service pressure for natural gas as a fuel of 20 MPa [200 bar[1)]] settled at 15 °C. Other service pressures can be accommodated by adjusting the pressure by the appropriate factor (ratio). For example, a 25 MPa (250 bar) service pressure system will require pressures to be multiplied by 1,25.

2   Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 15500. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 15500 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

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1)   1 bar = 0,1 MPa = 10^5 Pa; 1 MPa = 1 N/mm^2

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ISO 1127, *Stainless steel tubes — Dimensions, tolerances and conventional masses per unit length*.

ISO 3833, *Road vehicles — Types — Terms and definitions*.

ISO 15403, *Natural gas — Designation of the quality of natural gas for use as a compressed fuel for vehicles*.

ISO 15500-1, *Road vehicles — Compressed natural gas (CNG) fuel system components — Part 1: General requirements and definitions*.

ISO 15500-2, *Road vehicles — Compressed natural gas (CNG) fuel system components — Part 2: Performance and general test methods*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 15500, the terms and definitions given in ISO 15500-1 apply.

4 Marking

Marking of the component shall provide sufficient information to allow the following to be traced:

a)   the manufacturer's or agent's name, trademark or symbol;

b)   the model designation (part number);

c)   the service pressure or pressure and temperature range.

The following additional markings are recommended:

d)   the direction of flow (when necessary for correct installation);

e)   the type of fuel;

f)   electrical ratings (if applicable);

g)   the symbol of the certification agency;

h)   the type approval number;

i)   the serial number or date code;

j)   reference to this part of ISO 15500.

NOTE   This information can be provided by a suitable identification code on at least one part of the component when it consists of more than one part.

5 Construction and assembly

The rigid fuel line shall comply with the applicable provisions of ISO 15500-1 and ISO 15500-2, and with the tests specified in clause 6 of this part of ISO 15500.

The rigid fuel line shall be compatible with the fittings specified by the fitting manufacturer.

6 Tests

6.1 Applicability

The tests required to be carried out are indicated in Table 1.

Table 1 — Tests applicable

Test	Applicable	Test procedure as required by ISO 15500-2	Specific test requirements of this part of ISO 15500
Hydrostatic strength	X	X	X (see 6.2)
Leakage	X	X	
Excess torque resistance			
Bending moment			
Continued operation	X	X	X (see 6.3)
Corrosion resistance	X	X	
Oxygen ageing			
Electrical over-voltages			
Non-metallic synthetic immersion			
Vibration resistance			
Brass material compatibility			
Bending	X		X (see 6.4)
Conductivity			

6.2 Hydrostatic strength

The rigid fuel line shall be tested according to the procedure for testing hydrostatic strength specified in ISO 15500-2.

Test pressure upstream of the first stage of the pressure reduction shall be 100 MPa (1 000 bar). Test pressure downstream of the first stage of the pressure reduction shall be four times its working pressure.

6.3 Continued operation

The rigid fuel line shall be subjected to a continued operation test for a total of 100 000 cycles.

6.4 Bending

Test the rigid fuel line according to the following procedure and acceptance criterion.

a) Select a mandrel with a diameter according to Table 2.

b) Bend the rigid fuel line over this mandrel once, forming a "U" shape.

c) Close the rigid fuel line's ends and pressurize it to four times its service pressure.

At completion of the test, the rigid fuel line shall not leak.

Table 2 — Rigid fuel line external (RFLE) and mandrel diameters

RFLE diameter	Mandrel diameter
$\leqslant$ 8 mm	3 $\times$ RFLE diameter
> 8 mm	5 $\times$ RFLE diameter

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