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Automatische Abblaseventile für Gasbrenner und Gasgerät

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## Foreword

This document (EN 16304:2013) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 58 "Safety and control devices for burners and appliances burning gaseous or liquid fuels", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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**EN 16304:2013 (E)****1 Scope**

This European Standard specifies the safety, construction and performance requirements for automatic vent valves for use with gas burners, gas appliances and similar use, hereafter referred to as 'valves'.

This European Standard is applicable to:

- valves with declared maximum inlet pressures up to and including 500 kPa (5 bar) of nominal connection sizes up to and including DN 100 for use with one or more fuel gases in accordance with EN 437:2003+A1:2009;
- electrically operated valves;
- valves actuated by fluids where the control valves for these fluids are actuated electrically, but not to any external electrical devices for switching the control signal or actuating energy;
- valves fitted with open position indicator switches.

NOTE Provisions for final product inspection and testing by the manufacturer are not specified.

**2 Normative references**

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, *Safety and control devices for gas burners and gas-burning appliances — General requirements*

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EN 13906-1, *Cylindrical helical springs made from round wire and bar — Calculation and design — Part 1: Compression springs*

EN 13906-2, *Cylindrical helical springs made from round wire and bar — Calculation and design — Part 2: Extension springs*

EN 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code) (IEC 60529)*

EN 60730-1:2011, *Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60730-1:2010, modified)*

EN 61058-1, *Switches for appliances — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 61058-1)*

EN 175301-803, *Detail Specification: Rectangular connectors — Flat contacts, 0,8 mm thickness, locking screw not detachable*

**3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 13611:2007+A2:2011 and the following apply.

**3.101****automatic vent valve**

device which closes when energised and opens automatically when de-energised

**3.102****actuating mechanism**

part of the valve which moves the closure member

**3.103****open position indicator switch**

device fitted to a valve which indicates when the closure member is in the open position

**3.104****actuating energy**

required energy for the actuating mechanism to move the closure member to the closed position

Note 1 to entry: The actuating energy can have an external source (electrical, pneumatic or hydraulic) and can be transformed inside the valve.

**3.105****opening force**

force required to open the valve, independent of any force provided by fuel gas pressure

**3.106****frictional force**

largest force required to move the actuating mechanism and the closure member from the closed position to the open position with the opener spring removed, independent of any force provided by fuel gas pressure

**3.107****actuating pressure**

hydraulic or pneumatic pressure supplied to the actuating mechanism of the valve

**3.108****opening time**

time interval between de-energising the valve and the closure member attaining the open position

**3.109****closing time**

time interval between energising the valve and the closure member attaining the closed position

**3.110****delay time**

time interval between energising the valve and the start of the closure member moving to the closed position

**3.111****control valve**

device which controls the fluid (e.g. compressed air) supplied to the actuating mechanism

**3.112****rated voltage**

voltage as stated in the installation and operating instructions at which the valve may be operated

**3.113****rated current**

current as stated in the installation and operating instructions at which the valve may be operated

## 4 Classification

### 4.1 Classes of control

EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 4.1 is not applicable.

**EN 16304:2013 (E)****4.2 Groups of control**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 4.2.

**4.3 Classes of control functions**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 4.3.

**5 Units of measurement and test conditions**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, Clause 5.

**6 Construction requirements****6.1 General**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.1.

**6.2 Mechanical parts of the control****6.2.1 Appearance**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.1.

**6.2.2 Holes**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.2.

**6.2.3 Breather holes**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.3.

**6.2.4 Test for leakage of breather holes**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.4.

**6.2.5 Screwed fastenings**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.5.

**6.2.6 Jointing**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.6.

**6.2.7 Moving parts**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.7.

**6.2.8 Sealing caps**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.8.

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### 6.2.9 Dismantling and reassembly

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.2.9.

#### 6.2.101 Design

There shall be no exposed shafts or operating levers which could adversely affect the ability of valves to open.

#### 6.2.102 Open position indicator switch

Open position indicator switches, where fitted, shall not impair the correct operation of valves. Adjusters shall be sealed to indicate interference. Any drift of the switch and actuating mechanism from its setting shall not impair correct valve operation.

#### 6.2.103 Controls assembled to a valve

Other controls assembled to a valve shall not interfere with its opening function.

## 6.3 Materials

### 6.3.1 General material requirements

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.1.

### 6.3.2 Housing

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.2.

### 6.3.3 Test for leakage of housing after removal of non-metallic parts

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.3.

### 6.3.4 Zinc alloys

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.4.

### 6.3.5 Springs providing closing and/or sealing force

EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.5 is not applicable.

### 6.3.6 Resistance to corrosion and surface protection

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.6.

### 6.3.7 Impregnation

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.7.

### 6.3.8 Seals for glands for moving parts

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.3.8.

#### 6.3.101 Springs providing opening force

Opening force shall be provided by spring action.

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Springs providing the opening force for any closure member of the valve shall be designed for static and dynamic loading according to EN 13906-1 or EN 13906-2.

Springs with a diameter up to and including 2,5 mm shall be made from corrosion-resistant materials.

Springs with wire diameter above 2,5 mm shall be made either from corrosion-resistant materials or shall be protected against corrosion.

**6.3.102 Closure members**

Closure members shall either have a mechanical support (e.g. metallic) to carry the opening force or shall be made of metal.

**6.4 Gas connections****6.4.1 Making connections**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.1.

**6.4.2 Connection sizes**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.2.

**6.4.3 Threads**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.3.

**6.4.4 Union joints**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.4.

**6.4.5 Flanges**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.5.

**6.4.6 Compression fittings**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.6.

**6.4.7 Nipples for pressure test**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.7.

**6.4.8 Strainers**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.4.8 with the following addition:

Strainers fitted to valves of DN 25 and above shall be accessible for cleaning or replacement without removing the valve body by dismantling threaded or welded pipework.

**6.5 Electronic parts of controls**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.5.

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## 6.6 Protection against internal faults for the purpose of functional safety

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 6.6.

### 6.101 Pneumatic and hydraulic actuating mechanisms

Pneumatically or hydraulically actuated valves shall be provided with protection to ensure that the blockage of an orifice in the control system does not adversely affect the performance requirements as given in Clause 7.

## 7 Performance

### 7.1 General

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.1 with the following addition:

Valves shall open automatically when de-energised or in the absence of actuating energy.

Valves with DC supplies shall fulfil the requirements of this European Standard from the minimum rated voltage to the maximum rated voltage, as stated in the installation and operating instructions.

For DC supplies type A, B, and C according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, I.1, a tolerance of 20 % to the minimum and the maximum rated voltage applies. For DC supplies of other types, the tolerance shall be stated in the installation and operating instructions.

The electrical control valve of pneumatic or hydraulic actuating mechanisms shall also meet these requirements.

The closing of pneumatically or hydraulically actuated valves shall be ensured over the range from 85 % to 110 % of the actuating pressure or pressure range as stated in the installation and operating instructions.

### 7.2 Leak-tightness

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.2 with the following modification:

Replace the values in the column for internal leak tightness by 1 dm<sup>3</sup>/h.

### 7.3 Test for leak-tightness

#### 7.3.1 General

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.3.1.

#### 7.3.2 External leak-tightness

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.3.2.

#### 7.3.3 Internal leak-tightness

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.3.3.

### 7.4 Torsion and bending

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.4.

**EN 16304:2013 (E)****7.5 Torsion and bending tests**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.5.

**7.6 Rated flow rate**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.6.

**7.7 Test for rated flow rate****7.7.1 Apparatus**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.7.1.

**7.7.2 Test procedure**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.7.2.

**7.7.3 Conversion of air flow rate**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.7.3.

**7.8 Durability**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.8.

**7.9 Performance test for electronic controls**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.9.

**7.10 Long-term performance for electronic controls**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2007+A2:2011, 7.10.

**7.101 Opening function concerning remanence****7.101.1 Requirement**

Valves shall open automatically on reducing the voltage or current to 15 % of the minimum rated value.

Valves with pneumatic or hydraulic actuating mechanisms shall open automatically on reducing the voltage or current to 15 % of the minimum rated voltage of the control valve.

Valves shall open automatically on removal of the voltage or current of between 15 % of the minimum rated value and the maximum rated value including the tolerance according to 7.1.

In all cases, the opening time shall be in accordance with 7.103.

**7.101.2 Test of opening function**

Energise the valve at the maximum rated voltage or current and at the maximum actuating pressure, if applicable. Slowly reduce the voltage or current to 15 % of the minimum rated value. Verify that the valve has opened.