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Part 3:

### Particular requirements for hoop-wrapped composite tanks with metal liner (Type 2)

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ISO 15869 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Gaseous hydrogen and hydrogen blends — Land vehicle fuel tanks*:

- *Part 1: General requirements*
- *Part 2: Particular requirements for metal tanks (type 1)*
- *Part 3: Particular requirements for hoop wrapped composite tanks with a metal liner (type 2)*
- *Part 4: Particular requirements for fully wrapped composite tanks with a metal liner (type 3)*
- *Part 5: Particular requirements for fully wrapped composite tanks with a non-metallic liner (type 4)*

# Gaseous hydrogen and hydrogen blends — Land vehicle fuel tanks —

## Part 3:

# Particular requirements for hoop-wrapped composite tanks with metal liner (Type 2)

## 1 Scope

This part of ISO 15869 defines the specific aspects of hoop wrapped composite fuel tanks with a metal liner used for the on-board storage of high pressure compressed gaseous hydrogen or hydrogen blends. It modifies or supplements the common aspects that are defined in ISO 15869-1.

## 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 15869. 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 15869 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.

ISO 7866:1999, *Gas cylinders — Refillable seamless aluminium alloy gas cylinders — Design, construction and testing*

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ISO 9809-1:1999, *Gas cylinders — Refillable seamless steel gas cylinders — Design, construction and testing — Part 1: Quenched and tempered steel cylinders with tensile strength less than 1 100 Mpa*

ISO 9809-2:2000, *Gas cylinders — Refillable seamless steel gas cylinders — Design, construction and testing — Part 2: Quenched and tempered steel cylinders with tensile strength greater than or equal to 1 100 Mpa (if applicable)*

ISO 15869-1: *Gaseous hydrogen and hydrogen blends — Land vehicle fuel tanks — Part 1: General requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 15869, the terms and definitions given in ISO 15869-1 apply.

## 4 General requirements

Tanks conforming to this part of ISO 15869 shall also meet the general requirements specified in ISO 15869-1. Should there be a conflict between this part of ISO 15869 and ISO 15869-1, the requirements specified in this part of ISO 15869 shall prevail.

## 5 Materials

### 5.1 General

Materials used shall be suitable for the service conditions specified in ISO 15869-1, clause 4. The design shall not have incompatible materials in contact.

### 5.2 Steel

Steels shall conform to the materials requirements of clauses 6.1 to 6.4 of ISO 9809-1:1999, or clauses 6.1 to 6.3 of ISO 9809-2:2000 as appropriate

### 5.3 Aluminium

Aluminium alloys shall conform to the materials requirements of ISO 7866:1999, clauses 6.1 and 6.2. Other aluminium alloys may be used provided that hydrogen compatibility is demonstrated as per 8.1.2.

### 5.4 Resins

The material for impregnation may be thermosetting or thermoplastic resins. Examples of suitable matrix materials are epoxy, modified epoxy, polyester and vinylester thermosetting plastics, as well as polyethylene and polyamide thermoplastic material.

### 5.5 Fibres

Structural reinforcing filament material types shall be glass fibre, aramid fibre or carbon fibre. If carbon fibre reinforcement is used, the design shall incorporate means to prevent galvanic corrosion of metallic components of the tank.

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The manufacturer shall keep on file the published specifications for composite materials, the material manufacturer's recommendations for storage, conditions and shelf life and the material manufacturer's certification that each shipment conforms to said specification requirements. The fibre manufacturer shall certify that the fibre material properties conform to the manufacturer's specifications for the product.

## 6 Design requirements

### 6.1 General

The design shall ensure a «leakage before break» failure mode under feasible degradation of pressure parts during normal service. If leakage of the metal liner occurs, it shall be only by the growth of a fatigue crack. The liner shall be of a seamless construction.

**NOTE** This part of ISO 15869 does not provide design formulas nor permissible stresses or strains, but requires the adequacy of the design to be established by appropriate calculations and demonstrated by tanks being capable of consistently passing the materials, prototype and batch tests as well as the tests on every tank specified in this part of ISO 15869. During pressurization, this type of tank design has a behaviour in which the displacements of the composite overwrap and the metal liner are linearly superimposed. Due to different techniques of manufacture, this part of ISO 15869 does not give a definite method for design.

### 6.2 Test pressure

The minimum test pressure used in manufacture shall be 1,5 times working pressure.

### 6.3 Burst pressure and fibre stress ratio

The metal liner shall have a minimum actual burst pressure of 1,25 times working pressure.

The minimum actual burst pressure of the tank shall not be less than the values given in Table 1. The composite over-wrap shall be designed for high reliability under sustained loading and cyclic loading. This reliability shall be achieved by meeting or exceeding the composite reinforcement stress ratio values given in Table 1.

The stress ratio calculations shall include:

- a) an analysis method with capability for non-linear materials (special purpose computer program or finite element analysis program);
- b) correct modelling of the elastic-plastic stress-strain curve for liner material;
- c) correct modelling of the mechanical properties of composite materials;
- d) calculations at autofrettage pressure, zero pressure after autofrettage, working pressure, and minimum burst pressure;
- e) account for the prestresses from winding tension;
- f) the minimum burst pressure, chosen such that the calculated stress at minimum burst pressure divided by the calculated stress at working pressure meets the stress ratio requirements for the fibre used;
- g) when analyzing tanks with hybrid reinforcement (two or more different fibres), consideration of the load share between the different fibres based on the different elastic moduli of the fibres. The stress ratio requirements for each individual fibre type shall be in accordance with the values given in Table 1.

Verification of the stress ratios may also be performed using strain gauges. An acceptable method is outlined in ISO 15869-1, Annex A.

**Table 1 — Minimum actual burst pressure and stress ratios**

Fibre type	Stress ratio	Burst pressure
Glass	2,75	2,5 times working pressure <sup>a</sup>
Aramid	2,35	2,35 times working pressure
Carbon	2,35	2,35 times working pressure
Hybrid	<sup>b</sup>	
<sup>a</sup> Minimum actual burst pressure. In addition, calculations shall be performed in accordance with 6.3 to confirm that the minimum stress ratio requirements are also met.		
<sup>b</sup> Stress ratios and burst pressures shall be calculated in accordance with 6.3g).		

### 6.4 Stress analysis

The stresses in the composite and in the liner after prestress shall be calculated at zero pressure, working pressure, test pressure and design burst pressure. The calculations shall use suitable analysis techniques taking account of non-linear material behaviour of the liner to establish stress distributions.

For designs using auto-frettage to provide prestress, the limits within which the auto-frettage pressure shall fall shall be calculated and specified. For designs using controlled tension winding to provide prestress, the temperature at which it is performed, the tension required in each layer of composite and the consequent prestress in the liner shall be calculated.

## 6.5 Maximum defect size

The tank manufacturer shall specify the maximum defect size at any location in the metal liner.

The allowable defect size for NDE shall be determined by an appropriate method, e.g. as per ISO 15869-1, Annex B. This method shall demonstrate that a tank with defects of the specified defect size will meet the ambient temperature pressure cycling requirements of 8.1.4. The NDE method shall be capable of detecting the maximum defect size allowed.

## 6.6 Fire protection

The tank, its materials, pressure relief devices and any added insulation or protective material shall be designed collectively to ensure adequate safety during fire conditions in the test specified in 8.1.6.. A manufacturer may specify alternative pressure relief devices locations for specific land vehicle installations to optimize safety considerations.

# 7 Construction and workmanship

## 7.1 General

The composite tank shall be fabricated from a liner over-wrapped with continuous filament windings. Fibre winding operations shall be computer or mechanically controlled. The fibres shall be applied under controlled tension during winding. After winding is complete, thermosetting resins shall be cured by heating, using a predetermined and controlled time-temperature profile.

## 7.2 Neck threads

Threads shall be clean cut, even, without surface discontinuities, to gauge, and conform to international standards.

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## 7.3 Fibre winding

The tanks shall be fabricated by a fibre winding technique. During winding the significant variables shall be monitored to demonstrate that they remain within specified tolerances. The results shall be documented in a winding record that shall be retained by the tank manufacturer for the intended life of each batch of tanks. These variables can include but are not limited to:

- a) fibre type including sizing;
- b) manner of impregnation;
- c) winding tension;
- d) winding speed;
- e) number of rovings;
- f) band width;
- g) type of resin and composition;
- h) temperature of the resin;
- i) temperature of the liner;



j) winding angle.

#### 7.4 Curing of thermosetting resins

If a thermosetting resin is used, the resin shall be cured after filament winding. During the curing, the curing cycle (i.e. the time-temperature history) shall be documented and retained by the tank manufacturer for the intended life of each batch of tanks.

The maximum curing time and temperature for tanks with aluminium alloy liners shall be below the time and temperature that adversely affect metal, resin and fibre properties.

#### 7.5 Auto-frettage

Auto-frettage, if used, shall be carried out before the hydraulic test specified in 10 f). The auto-frettage pressure shall be within the limits established in 6.4, and the tank manufacturer shall establish the method to verify that the appropriate pressure is applied. Records of auto-frettage pressure shall be retained by the tank manufacturer for the intended life of each batch of tanks.

#### 7.6 Exterior environmental protection

Exterior protection may be provided by using any of the following:

- a) a surface finish giving adequate protection (e.g. metal sprayed on aluminium, anodizing); or
- b) the use of a suitable fibre and matrix material (e.g. carbon fibre in resin); or
- c) a protective coating (e.g. organic coating, paint).

If exterior coating is part of the design, the coatings shall be evaluated using the test methods in ISO 15869-1, clause C.7.

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Any coatings applied to tanks shall be such that the application process does not adversely affect the mechanical properties of the tank. The coating shall be designed to facilitate subsequent in-service inspection and the manufacturer shall provide guidance on coating treatment during such inspection to ensure the continued integrity of the tank.

## 8 Prototype tests

### 8.1 Qualification testing of new designs

#### 8.1.1 Material tests for steel liners

If the liner of the tank is made of steel, material tests as required in clauses 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4 of ISO 9809-1:1999, or clauses 10.2, 10.3, and 10.4 of ISO 9809-2:2000 as appropriate, shall be carried out on one liner. The tensile strength shall meet the manufacturer's design specifications. The steel elongation shall be at least 14%.

The hydrogen compatibility of metallic materials in contact with hydrogen shall be demonstrated in accordance with ISO 15869-1, clause C.22. Steels that conform to paragraph 6.3 and 7.2.2 of ISO 9809-1:1999 are exempted from this test.