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Foreword

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Gas welding equipment — Rubber hoses for welding, cutting and allied processes

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for rubber hoses (including twin hoses) for welding, cutting and allied processes.

This International Standard specifies requirements for rubber hoses for normal duty of 2 MPa (20 bar) and light duty [limited to hoses for maximum working pressure of 1 MPa (10 bar) and with bore up to and including 6,3 mm].

This International Standard applies to hoses operated at temperatures –20 °C to +60 °C and used in:

— gas welding and cutting;

— arc welding under the protection of an inert or active gas;

— processes allied to welding and cutting, in particular, heating, brazing, and metallization.

This International Standard applies neither to thermoplastics hoses nor to hoses used for high pressure [>0,15 MPa (>1,5 bar)] acetylene.

2 Normative references

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

ISO 37, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tensile stress-strain properties*

ISO 188, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Accelerated ageing and heat resistance tests*

ISO 1307:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Hose sizes, minimum and maximum inside diameters, and tolerances on cut-to-length hoses*

ISO 1402, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Hydrostatic testing*

ISO 1746, *Rubber or plastics hoses and tubing — Bending tests*

ISO 1817, *Rubber, vulcanized — Determination of the effect of liquids*

ISO 4080, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Determination of permeability to gas*

ISO 4671, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Methods of measurement of the dimensions of hoses and the lengths of hose assemblies*

ISO 4672:1997, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Sub-ambient temperature flexibility tests*

ISO 7326:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Assessment of ozone resistance under static conditions*

ISO 8033:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Determination of adhesion between components*

ISO 8330, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Vocabulary*

ISO 11114-3, *Transportable gas cylinders — Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents — Part 3: Autogenous ignition test in oxygen atmosphere*

ISO 23529, *Rubber — General procedures for preparing and conditioning test pieces for physical test methods*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 8330 and the following apply.

3.1
twin hose
two normal rubber hoses joined together longitudinally

3.2
universal fuel gas hose
hoses which can be used for all fuel gases except fluxed fuel gas

NOTE Fuel gases are listed in Table 4.

3.3
flux fuel gas hose
hose suitable for fuel gas containing a flux

4 Abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the following abbreviations apply.

LPG liquefied petroleum gases

MPS methylacetylene-propadiene mixtures

5 Application

Hoses shall only be used for the gas service for which they are identified (see 10.2).

6 Hose designation

The hoses covered by this International Standard are designated using the following information:

a) nominal bore, see Table 1;

b) light or normal duty (pressure rating), see Table 3;

c) colour and marking (gas service), see Table 4.

EXAMPLE 1 6,3 mm, light duty.

EXAMPLE 2 10 mm, normal duty.

EXAMPLE 3 6,3 mm, light duty, FLUX.

7 Materials

7.1 Construction

7.1.1 General

The hose shall consist of:

a) a rubber lining of minimum thickness 1,5 mm;

b) reinforcement applied by any suitable technique;

c) a rubber cover of a minimum thickness of 1,0 mm.

7.1.2 Flux fuel gas hose

The flux fuel gas hose shall consist of:

a) a rubber lining with an additional inner plastic layer, which shall be of maximum thickness 0,5 mm, to give a minimum total thickness of 1,5 mm;

b) reinforcement applied by any suitable technique;

c) a rubber cover of minimum thickness 1,0 mm.

7.1.3 Twin hose

Each hose used for twin hose construction shall be as specified in 7.1.1 or 7.1.2. The two hoses shall be joined longitudinally during the extrusion and/or vulcanization process. They shall be capable of being separated free of damage to enable end fittings to be fitted. See 9.3.7.

7.2 Manufacture

The lining and cover shall be of uniform thickness and free from holes, porosity and other defects.

8 Dimensions and tolerances

8.1 Internal diameter

The internal diameter of the hoses shall be in accordance with the dimensions and tolerances shown in Table 1.

Table 1 — Nominal bore, internal diameter, tolerances and concentricity

Nominal bore	Internal diameter mm	Tolerance mm	Concentricity max. mm
4	4	±0,40	1
4,8	4,8		
5	5		
6,3	6,3		
7,1	7,1		
8	8	±0,50	
9,5	9,5		
10	10		
12,5	12,5	±0,60	
16	16		
20	20		1,25
25	25		
32	32	±1,0	
40	40	±1,25	1,50
50	50		

NOTE 1 The tolerances and internal diameters (excluding nominal bore of 20 mm) do not comply with ISO 1307:2006, Table 1.

NOTE 2 For intermediate dimensions, numbers should be chosen from the R20 series of preferred numbers (see ISO 3) with tolerances as for the next larger internal diameter listed.

8.2 Concentricity (total indicator reading)

The concentricity of the hose, measured in accordance with ISO 4671, shall be in accordance with the values given in Table 1.

8.3 Cut lengths and tolerances

The tolerances for cut lengths shall be in accordance with ISO 1307.

9 Requirements and type tests

9.1 General

A summary of requirements and type tests with the corresponding number of samples is given in Annex D.

9.2 Basic requirements

9.2.1 Tensile strength and elongation at break

Measurements shall be made on test specimens cut from the hoses. The materials used in the lining and cover, when tested in accordance with ISO 37, shall have a tensile strength and elongation at break not less than the values given in Table 2.

Table 2 — Tensile strength and elongation at break

Rating	Tensile strength MPa	Elongation at break %
Rubber lining	5	200
Cover	7	250
Inner plastic layer	5	120

9.2.2 Accelerating ageing

Measurements shall be made on test specimens cut from the hoses. After ageing for 7 days at a temperature of 70 °C as specified in ISO 188 (air oven), the tensile strength and elongation at break respectively of the lining and cover shall not decrease from the original values obtained by more than 25 % for the tensile strength and 50 % for elongation at break.

9.2.3 Adhesion

When tested in accordance with ISO 8033:2006 using the type 2 or type 4 test piece, the minimum adhesion between adjacent components shall be 1,5 kN/m. For flux fuel gas hoses, see 9.3.4. For flux fuel gas hoses, the inner plastic lining should be removed prior to the test.

9.2.4 Hydrostatic requirements

The hose, when tested in accordance with ISO 1402 at ambient temperature, shall meet the requirements of Table 3.

Table 3 — Hydrostatic requirements

Rating	Light duty (Nominal bore ⩽6,3)	Normal duty (all sizes)
Maximum working pressure	1 MPa (10 bar)	2 MPa (20 bar)
Proof pressure	2 MPa (20 bar)	4 MPa (40 bar)
Minimum burst pressure	3 MPa (30 bar)	6 MPa (60 bar)
Change in length at maximum operating pressure	±5 %	
Change in diameter at maximum operating pressure	±10 %	

9.2.5 Flexibility, general

When tested in accordance with ISO 1746 at standard laboratory temperature as defined in ISO 23529 using a diameter of curvature, D_c, of $10d_i$, where d_i is the internal diameter (with a minimum of 80 mm), the coefficient of deformation, K, shall not be less than 0,8. There shall be no kink in the curved portion of the hose.

9.2.6 Low-temperature flexibility

When tested in accordance with ISO 4672:1997, method B, at (-25 ± 3) °C, using a D_c of $10d_i$ (with a minimum of 80 mm), the hose shall show no signs of leakage when subjected to the proof pressure (carried out at ambient temperature) stated in Table 3.

9.2.7 Resistance to incandescent particles and hot surfaces

The cover of the hose shall have sufficient resistance to contact with incandescent particles and hot surfaces. To meet this requirement, the test piece shall resist for 60 s the test conditions given in Annex C without leaking.

If the first test fails, the two subsequent tests shall be satisfactory.

9.2.8 Ozone resistance

Hoses up to 25 mm internal diameter shall be tested in accordance with ISO 7326:2006, method 1, using a D_c as specified in 9.2.5. Hoses above 25 mm internal diameter shall be tested in accordance with ISO 7326:2006 method 3. For both methods the cover shall show no evidence of cracking when viewed under two times magnification.

9.3 Special requirements

9.3.1 Non-ignition requirement for oxygen hoses

The non-ignition test shall be carried out either according to ISO 11114-3 or Annex A.

When tested according to ISO 11114-3 the initial conditions shall be set at 2 MPa (20 bar) (ambient temperature) and the autogenous ignition temperature shall be higher than 150 °C.

When tested by the method described in Annex A, three samples of the lining shall remain in the apparatus at a constant temperature of 360 °C to 365 °C for 2 min without ignition.

If more than one of the samples show evidence of ignition in less than 2 min, the hose shall be considered not to comply. If only one sample shows evidence of ignition in less than 2 min, three further samples shall be prepared and tested. If any of the three samples in this second series shows evidence of ignition in less than 2 min, the hose shall be deemed not to comply.

9.3.2 Resistance to acetone and dimethylformamide

A sample of the lining, when immersed in the acetone or dimethylformamide at standard laboratory temperature as defined in ISO 23529 for 70 h, shall not increase in mass by more than 8 % when calculated in accordance with the method specified in ISO 1817.

9.3.3 Resistance to *n*-pentane

A sample of the hose lining, when tested as described in Annex B, shall show absorbed *n*-pentane not exceeding 15 % mass fraction and *n*-pentane extractable matter not exceeding 10 % mass fraction.

9.3.4 Resistance to azeotrope of trimethylborate with methanol for flux fuel gas hoses

9.3.4.1 Adhesion after conditioning in trimethylborate-methanol azeotrope

The hose when tested in accordance with the following method shall have a minimum adhesion between the rubber lining and the reinforcement of 1,5 kN/m. The inner plastic layer should be removed for this test.

Seal one end of the test hose and fill the hose with the test fluid and condition for (70 ± 2) h at (23 ± 2) °C. After this period empty the test fluid from the hose and leave for 24 h.

An adhesion test in accordance with ISO 8033:2006 using the type 2 or type 4 test piece shall be carried out on three test specimens taken from the hose after the fluid has been removed.

The adhesion between the rubber lining and the reinforcement shall meet the specified requirements.

9.3.4.2 Tensile strength and elongation at break after conditioning in trimethylborate-methanol azeotrope

The hose when tested in accordance with the following method, shall have a variation in the tensile strength and elongation at break of less than 30 % from the original values obtained under 9.2.1.

Seal one end of the test hose and fill the hose with the test fluid and condition for (70 ± 2) h at (23 ± 2) °C. After this period empty the test fluid from the hose and leave for 24 h.

Tensile strength and elongation at break tests in accordance with ISO 37 shall be carried out on five test specimens of plastic lining cut from a hose after the fluid has been emptied. The measurement shall be carried out 24 h after the emptying of the hose.

The variation of the tensile strength and elongation at break shall meet the specified requirements.

9.3.4.3 Change in mass and volume after immersion in trimethylborate-methanol azeotrope

A mass and volume variation test in accordance with ISO 1817 shall be carried out on three test specimens of plastic lining, cut from a hose and immersed in the test liquid for (70 ± 2) h at (23 ± 2) °C.

The mass and volume variation of the plastic lining shall not exceed 8 %. The measurement shall be carried out within 30 min after taking the test pieces out of the test liquid.

9.3.5 Flexibility of flux fuel gas hoses

One sample of hose shall be filled with trimethylborate-methanol azeotrope for 70 h at 23 °C. The flux fuel gas hoses shall then be submitted to the same test as specified in 9.2.5. The test shall be carried out within 30 min after the emptying of the hose. In addition to the requirements of 9.2.5, the hose shall show no signs of leaks when subjected to the proof pressure (carried out at ambient temperature) specified in Table 3.

9.3.6 Permeability to LPG, MPS, and natural gas of methane hoses, universal fuel gas hoses, and flux fuel gas hoses

When tested in accordance with ISO 4080 using a test gas of 95 % volume fraction propylene at cylinder pressure [approximately 0,6 MPa (6 bar)] and standard laboratory temperature of 23 °C as defined in ISO 23529, the gas permeance shall not exceed 25 $cm^3/m \cdot h$, irrespective of internal diameter.

9.3.7 Requirements for twin hoses

9.3.7.1 General

Both of the hoses from the twin hose construction shall after separation by the following test method, conform to this International Standard. Each individual hose shall meet all the requirements when subjected to the relevant tests for the specific hose type.

9.3.7.2 Separation test for twin hose

It shall be possible to separate twin hose into two single hoses with a force between 25 N to 100 N. The test shall be carried out using a tensile test machine. Initially separate using a knife, a sufficient length of the twin hose to enable each individual hose to be secured in the jaws. Mark 200 mm of unseparated hose. Start the test with a jaw separation speed of 100 mm/min. The value of the force to be taken into account is the mean value measured during the propagation phase of the notch, excluding the beginning of the curve.

9.3.8 Requirements for universal fuel gas hose

Hoses shall comply with the requirements of 9.3.2, 9.3.3 and 9.3.6.