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## Foreword

The text of the International Standard from Technical Committee ISO/TC 28 "Petroleum products and lubricants" of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) has been taken over as an European Standard by Technical Committee CEN/TC 19 "Petroleum products, lubricants and related products", the secretariat of which is held by NNI.

This European Standard supersedes EN ISO 4256:1995.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by December 1998, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by December 1998.

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## Endorsement notice

The text of the International Standard ISO 4256:1996 has been approved by CEN as a European Standard without any modification.

NOTE: Normative references to International Standards are listed in annex ZA (normative).



**Annex ZA (normative)****Normative references to international publications  
with their relevant European publications**

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN</u>	<u>Year</u>
ISO 4257	1988	Liquefied petroleum gases - Method of sampling	EN ISO 4257	1995

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**ISO 4256:1996(E)****Foreword**

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Draft International Standards adopted by the technical committees are circulated to the member bodies for voting. Publication as an International Standard requires approval by at least 75 % of the member bodies casting a vote.

International Standard ISO 4256 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 28, *Petroleum products and lubricants*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 4256:1978), which has been technically revised.

Annexes A and B form an integral part of this International Standard.

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# Liquefied petroleum gases — Determination of gauge vapour pressure — LPG method

**WARNING** — The use of this International Standard may involve hazardous materials, operations and equipment. This standard does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this International Standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

## 1 Scope

This International Standard describes a method for the determination of gauge vapour pressures of liquefied petroleum gas products (see clause 3) at temperatures within the approximate range of 35 °C to 70 °C.

### NOTES

1 Information on the vapour pressure of liquefied petroleum gases is required for the selection of properly designed storage vessels, shipping containers and customer utilization equipment, to ensure the safe handling of these products, and to ensure that maximum operating design pressures are not exceeded under the foreseen ambient operating conditions.

2 The vapour pressure of liquefied petroleum gases is an indirect measure of the lowest temperature at which initial vaporization can be expected to occur. It may also be considered to be an indirect indication of the most volatile constituent present in the product.

## 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members

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ISO 3007:1986, *Petroleum products — Determination of vapour pressure — Reid method*.

ISO 4257:1988, *Liquefied petroleum gases — Method of sampling*.

## 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definitions apply.

**3.1 vapour pressure:** Pressure exerted by the vapour of a liquid when in equilibrium with the liquid.

In this International Standard, the term “vapour pressure” shall be understood as gauge vapour pressure, which is absolute vapour pressure minus atmospheric pressure.

**3.2 liquefied petroleum gas (LPG):** Hydrocarbon gas that can be stored and/or handled in the liquid phase under moderate conditions of pressure and at ambient temperature. It consists essentially of C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> alkanes or alkenes, or a mixture of these, contains generally less than 5 % by liquid volume of material of higher carbon number, and has a gauge vapour pressure not exceeding approximately 1 600 kPa at 40 °C.