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excessive pressure —**

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**Controlled safety pressure relief  
systems (CSPRS)**

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## Foreword

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ISO 4126 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure*:

- *Part 1: Safety valves* <https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/d264dfae-328c-44ef-84bc-f4aaafcd8f5/iso-4126-5-2013>
- *Part 2: Bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 3: Safety valves and bursting disc safety devices in combination*
- *Part 4: Pilot operated safety valves*
- *Part 5: Controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS)*
- *Part 6: Application, selection and installation of bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 7: Common data*
- *Part 9: Application and installation of safety devices excluding stand-alone bursting disc safety devices*
- *Part 10: Sizing of safety valves for gas/liquid two-phase flow*
- *Part 11: Performance testing<sup>1)</sup>*

Part 7 contains data that is common to more than one of the parts of ISO 4126 to avoid unnecessary repetition.

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# Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure —

## Part 5: Controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS)

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 4126 specifies the requirements for controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS) irrespective of the fluid for which they are designed.

It is applicable for main valves having a flow diameter of 4 mm and above which are for use at pressures of 0,1 bar gauge and above. No limitation is placed on temperature.

This is a product standard and is not applicable to applications.

### 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 4126-7:2013, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 7: Common data*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **controlled safety pressure relief system**

##### **CSPRS**

system consisting of a main valve in combination with a control unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#) for the components of a CSPRS.

Note 2 to entry: On reaching the set pressure, the operating forces on the main valve are by means of the control unit automatically applied, released or so reduced that a main valve discharges a specified quantity of the fluid so as to prevent the predetermined pressure being exceeded. The system is so designed that the main valve re-closes and prevents a further flow of fluid after normal pressure conditions of service have been restored.

Note 3 to entry: Specific types of CSPRS are installed to protect the downstream system by preventing further fluid input (safety shut-off valve). In this case the closing function shall meet the same requirements as the opening function of the relief valve (see [5.1.5](#)).

#### 3.2

##### **main valve**

valve consisting of the parts of a CSPRS through which the discharge capacity is achieved, and the actuator

#### 3.3

##### **relieving principle**

principle in which a main valve opens when the operating force is released or reduced, and in which the main valve closes when the operating force is re-applied

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), Type 1.

**3.4  
loading principle**

principle in which a main valve opens when the operating force is applied, and in which the main valve closes when the operating force is removed

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), Type 2.

**3.5  
control unit**

unit which establishes the opening and closing of the main valve

Note 1 to entry: The arrangement shall consist of redundant individual control paths in operation (see [5.1.13](#) and [5.1.15](#)). The individual control path may consist of pressure tapping line, pressure sensor, sensing line, control module and control line [see [Figures 1 a](#)), [1 b](#)) and [1 c](#)), principle for two control paths].

**3.6  
pressure tapping line**

line to the pressure sensor

**3.7  
sensing line**

line between the pressure sensor and control module

**3.8  
control line**

line between the control module and the main valve

**3.9  
pressure sensor**

comparator in which a predetermined adjustable value of pressure is compared with the actual system pressure

Note 1 to entry: On reaching the predetermined pressure, a signal is transmitted to the control unit. The signal to the control unit is removed when the system pressure has been lowered to a predetermined pressure.

**3.10  
control module**

module which transforms the signal from the pressure sensor into a force to operate the actuator of the main valve

**3.11  
closed circuit principle**

principle characterized by the fact that on failure of the external control energy, the control unit effects the loading or relief of the main valve

**3.12  
open circuit principle**

principle characterized by the fact that on failure of the external control energy the control unit does not change the loading or relief of the main valve

**3.13  
operating force**

force which causes the main valve to operate

**3.14  
set pressure of a CSPRS**

predetermined pressure at which a main valve disc under operating conditions commences to open

Note 1 to entry: It is the gauge pressure measured at the main valve inlet at which the pressure forces tending to open the main valve for specified service conditions are in equilibrium with the forces retaining the main valve disc on its seat.

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**3.15**

**maximum allowable pressure**

**PS**

maximum pressure for which the protected equipment is designed

**3.16**

**overpressure**

pressure increase over the set pressure, usually expressed as a percentage of the set pressure

**3.17**

**reseating pressure**

value of the inlet static pressure at which the main valve disc re-establishes contact with the seat or at which the lift becomes zero

**3.18**

**cold differential test pressure**

inlet static pressure at which the main valve is set to commence to open on the test bench

Note 1 to entry: This test pressure includes corrections for service conditions, e.g. back pressure and/or temperature.

**3.19**

**relieving pressure**

pressure used for the sizing of a CSPRS which is greater than or equal to the set pressure plus overpressure

**3.20**

**blowdown**

difference between set and reseating pressures, normally stated as a percentage of set pressure except for pressures of less than 3 bar when the blowdown is expressed in bar

**3.21**

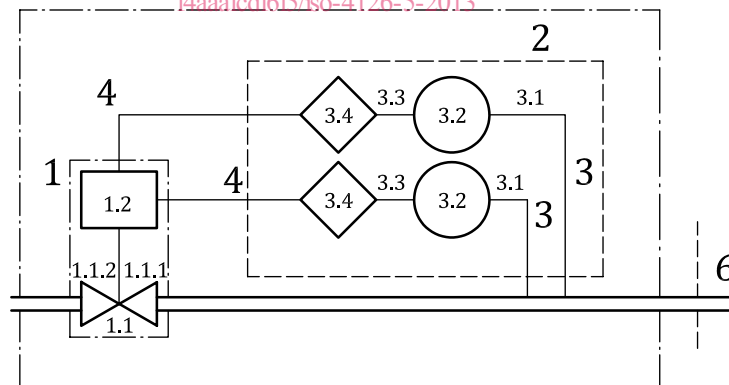
**opening sensing pressure**

predetermined pressure which activates the pressure sensor

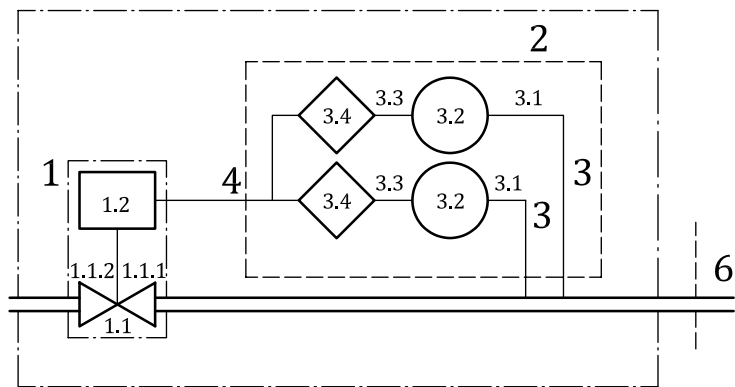
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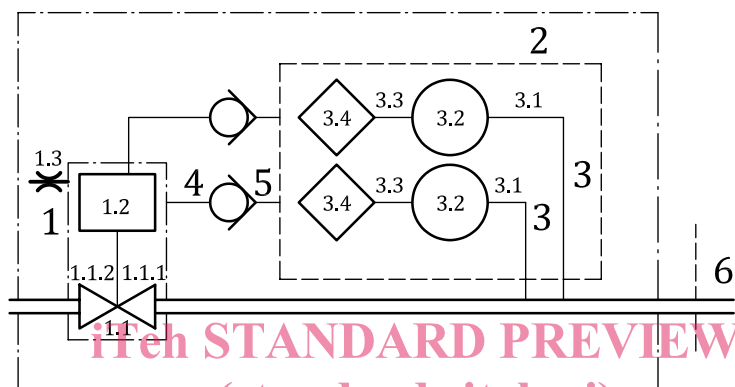
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**a) Two control lines, relieving principle**



b) One control line, relieving principle



c) Two control lines, loading principle

**Key**

- 1 main valve
- 1.1 body
- 1.1.1 inlet port
- 1.1.2 outlet port
- 1.2 actuator
- 1.3 vent
- 2 control unit
- 3 individual control path

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3.1 pressure tapping line

3.2 pressure sensor

3.3 sensing line

3.4 control module

4 control line

5 check valve

6 protected system

Figure 1 — Typical examples of redundancy for two individual control paths



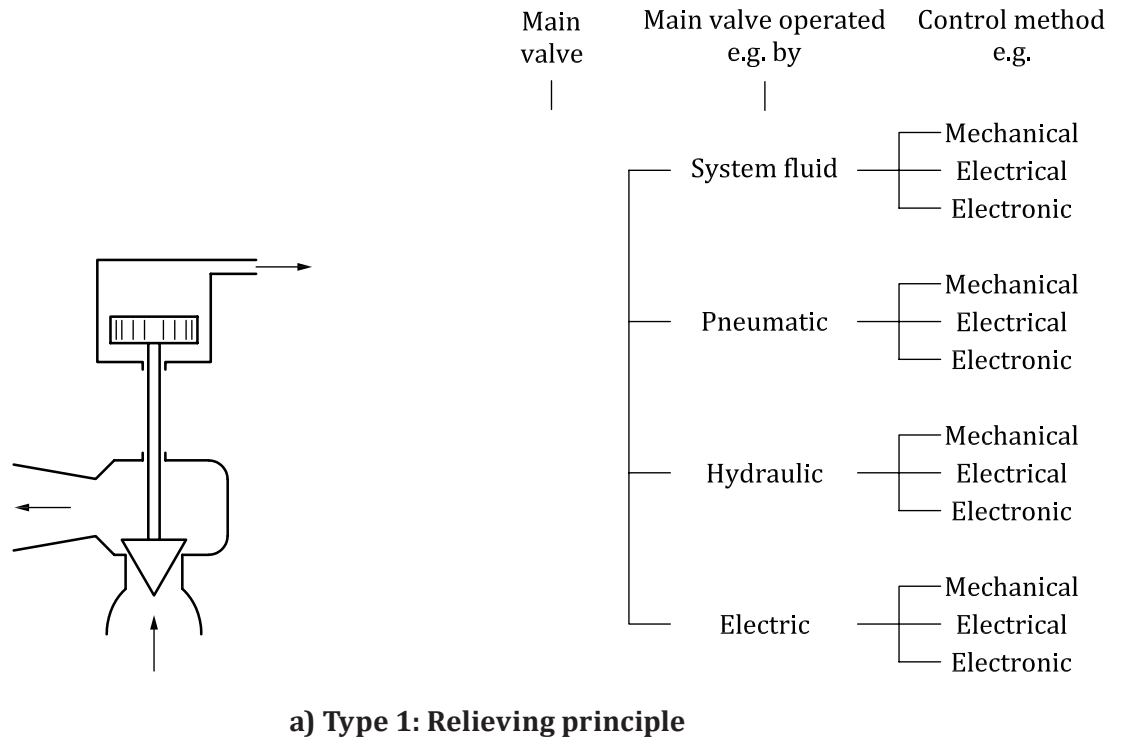


Figure 2 — Operating principle of the main valve

**3.22**

**closing sensing pressure**

predetermined pressure which deactivates the pressure sensor

**3.23**

**back pressure**

pressure that exists at the outlet of a safety valve as a result of the pressure in the discharge system

Note 1 to entry: The back pressure is the sum of the superimposed and built-up back pressures.

**3.24**

**built-up back pressure**

pressure existing at the outlet of the main valve caused by flow through the main valve and the discharge system

**3.25**

**superimposed back pressure**

pressure existing at the outlet of the main valve at the time when the device is required to operate

Note 1 to entry: It is the result of pressure in the discharge system from other sources.

**3.26**

**balanced bellows**

bellows device which minimizes the effect of superimposed back pressure on the set pressure of a safety valve

**3.27**

**lift**

actual travel of the main valve disc away from the closed position

**3.28**

**flow area**

minimum cross-sectional flow area (but not the smallest area between seat and disc) between inlet and seat which is used to calculate the theoretical flow capacity, with no deduction for any obstruction

**3.29**

**flow diameter**

diameter corresponding to the flow area

**3.30**

**theoretical discharge capacity**

calculated capacity of a theoretically perfect nozzle having a cross-sectional flow area equal to the flow area of the main valve

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Note 1 to entry: Expressed in mass or volumetric units.

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**3.31**

**coefficient of discharge**

value of actual flowing capacity (from tests) divided by the theoretical flowing capacity (from calculation)

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**3.32**

**certified (discharge) capacity**

that portion of the measured capacity permitted to be used as a basis for the application of the CSPRS

Note 1 to entry: It may, for example, equal: a) the measured capacity times the de-rating factor; or b) the theoretical capacity times the coefficient of discharge times the de-rating factor; or c) the theoretical capacity times the certified de-rated coefficient of discharge.

**3.33**

**DN (nominal size)**

alphanumeric designation of size that is common for components used in a piping system, used for reference purposes, comprising the letters DN followed by a dimensionless number having an indirect correspondence to the physical size of the bore or outside diameter of the component end connection

Note 1 to entry: The dimensionless number does not represent a measurable value and is not used for calculation purposes.

Note 2 to entry: Prefix DN usage is applicable to components bearing PN designations according to ISO 7268.

Note 3 to entry: Adapted from ISO 6708:1995, definition 2.1.

**3.34**

**opening time**

time interval for the main valve disc to move from the closed to the fully open position

**3.35****reseating time**

time interval for the main valve disc to move from the fully open to the closed position

**3.36****opening dead time**

time interval from the detection of the opening sensing pressure and the commencement of the opening of the main valve

**3.37****reseating dead time**

time interval from the detection of the closing sensing pressure and the commencement of the closing of the main valve

**4 Symbols and units****Table 1 — Symbols and their descriptions**

Symbol	Description	Unit
$A$	Flow area of a safety valve (not smallest area between seat and disc)	mm <sup>2</sup>
$K_d$	Coefficient of discharge <sup>a</sup>	—
$K_{dr}$	Certified de-rated coefficient of discharge ( $K_d \times 0,9$ ) <sup>a</sup>	—
$n$	Number of tests	—
$q_m$	Theoretical specific discharge capacity	kg/(h·mm <sup>2</sup> )
$q'_m$	Specific discharge capacity determined by tests	kg/(h·mm <sup>2</sup> )
<sup>a</sup> $K_d$ and $K_{dr}$ are expressed as 0,xxx.		

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**5 Design****5.1 General**

**5.1.1** The design shall incorporate guiding arrangements necessary to ensure consistent operation and seat tightness.

**5.1.2** The seat of any valve in the system, other than where it is an integral part of the valve shell, shall be fastened securely to prevent the seat becoming loose in service.

**5.1.3** All external adjustments shall be locked and/or sealed in such a manner so as to prevent or reveal unauthorized adjustments of the CSPRS.

**5.1.4** In the case of main valves with restricted lift, the lift restricting device shall limit the main valve lift but shall not otherwise interfere with the operation of the main valve. The lift restricting device shall be designed so that, if adjustable, the adjustable feature can be mechanically locked and sealed. The lift restricting device shall be installed and sealed in accordance with the design of the manufacturer.

The valve lift shall not be restricted to a value less than 30 % of the unrestricted lift or 1 mm, whichever is greater.

**5.1.5** For CSPRS working as safety shut-off valves it has to be assumed that the main valve cannot be closed completely as a result of particles in the fluid. Upstream of the main valves, devices such as perforated discs or strainers shall be installed. With the size of these bores or perforations, the leakage rate of the main valve shall be determined.

**5.1.6** Any CSPRS for toxic or flammable fluids shall be so designed to prevent leakage to atmosphere or if vented it shall be disposed of in a safe place.