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In 8.2:

- $S_f$  has been changed to  $S_F$ , in Equations (1) and (2).  
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- List item a) has been deleted, therefore b) has been moved into normal text.
- Equation (2) has been replaced.

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# Thermoplastics piping systems for non-pressure underground drainage and sewerage — Thermoplastics shafts or risers for inspection chambers and manholes — Determination of ring stiffness

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a test method for assessing the initial (short-term) tangential ring stiffness of riser shafts for thermoplastics inspection chambers or manholes.

## 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 48, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of hardness (hardness between 10 IRHD and 100 IRHD)*

ISO 9969, *Thermoplastics pipes — Determination of ring stiffness*  
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## 3 Terms and definitions

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

### 3.1

#### **inspection chamber**

drainage and sewerage fitting used for the connection of drainage or sewerage installations and for changing the direction of drainage or sewerage runs

**NOTE** An inspection chamber terminates at ground level, permitting the introduction of cleaning, inspection and test equipment and the removal of debris, but it does not provide access for personnel. The riser shaft connected to these fittings has a minimum outside diameter of 200 mm and a maximum inside diameter of less than 800 mm.

### 3.2

#### **manhole**

drainage and sewerage fitting used for the connection of drainage or sewerage installations and for changing the direction of drainage or sewerage runs

**NOTE** A manhole terminates at ground level, permitting the introduction of cleaning, inspection and test equipment and the removal of debris, and also providing access for personnel. The minimum inside diameter of a manhole riser shaft is 800 mm.

### 3.3

#### **structured-wall ancillary fitting**

fitting with an optimized structural design with regard to material usage, but which still achieves the relevant performance requirements

**NOTE** These fittings can be circular or rectangular in design.

**3.4 regular cross section shaft**

riser shaft either fabricated from plain pipe or from structured wall pipe or fittings with a regular symmetrical design on their external surface

NOTE These products can be manufactured by extrusion, injection moulding, blow moulding or rotational moulding.

**3.5 irregular cross section shaft**

riser shaft with an irregular asymmetrical design on its external surface, such as those with additional reinforcing rings or structures intended to strengthen the riser in specific areas

NOTE These products can be manufactured by extrusion, injection moulding, blow moulding or rotational moulding.

**4 Principle**

**4.1 General**

The ring stiffness of a shaft shall be determined using the ISO 9969 test method when the shaft has a circular and regular cross-section.

Where a shaft has a square or rectangular cross-section, or if the shape is irregular, the ISO 9969 test shall be modified as described in this International Standard to determine the ring stiffness (see Table 1).

**Table 1 — Relevant International Standards for determination of ring stiffness**

External shaft design	Type of cross-section	Relevant International Standard for determination of ring stiffness
Plain surface	Regular cross-section and circular	ISO 9969
	Irregular cross-section, circular, square or rectangular	This International Standard
Structured wall surface	Regular cross-section and circular	ISO 9969
	Irregular cross-section, circular, square or rectangular	This International Standard

**4.2 Principle for shafts with circular and regular cross-section**

The ring stiffness shall be determined by measuring the force and the deflection while deflecting the shaft at a constant rate.

A length of shaft supported horizontally shall be compressed vertically between two parallel flat plates moved at a constant speed, which is dependent upon the diameter of the shaft.

A plot of force versus deflection shall be generated. The ring stiffness shall be calculated as a function of the force necessary to produce a deflection of  $0,03d_i$  diametrically across the shaft.

**4.3 Principle for shafts with circular and irregular cross-section or square or rectangular**

The ring stiffness shall be determined by measuring the force and deflection whilst deflecting the shaft at a constant rate or constant load, until sufficient force is applied to obtain a resulting deflection in the range of 2 % to 6 %.

A riser shaft or segment of shaft shall be placed symmetrically between two rigid parallel plates or beams or, alternatively, between one rigid beam and a V-shaped support. A compressive force shall be applied to the shaft or segment using a bearer shaped to the external surface of the test piece.

The ring stiffness shall be calculated as a function of the force required to produce the deflection.

## 5 Apparatus

### 5.1 Shaft with circular and regular cross-section

The apparatus shall conform to that described in ISO 9969.

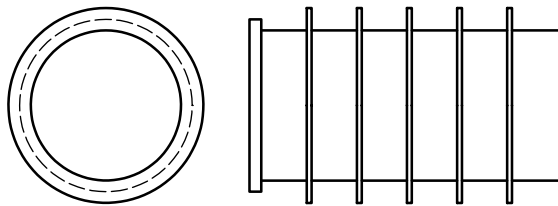


Figure 1 — Shaft with circular and regular cross-section

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### 5.2 Shaft with circular and irregular cross-section or square or rectangular

NOTE Examples for representative test pieces are shown in Figures 2 and 3.

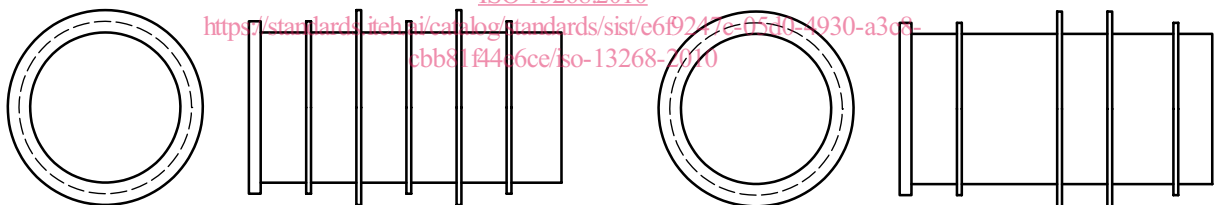


Figure 2 — Shafts with circular and irregular cross-section

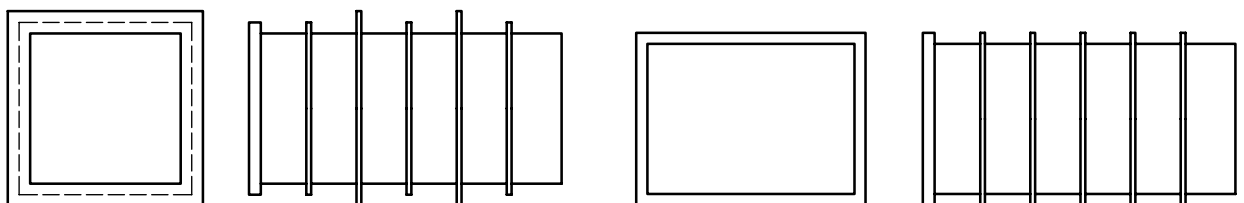


Figure 3 — Square and rectangular shaft

**5.2.1 Loading frame**, with two rigid parallel plates or beams, between which a compressive force,  $F$ , can be applied to the test piece such that the force and the resulting deflection of the test piece in the direction of the force can be measured to an accuracy of  $\pm 1\%$ .

Where a V-shaped support is used, the included angle shall be  $170^\circ$  or more.

For shafts with square or rectangular cross-sections, the bearers shall have a width,  $W$ , not greater than 25 mm.

For circular shafts with irregular cross-section, the maximum width of bearers shall be for:

- $DN/ID \leq 400$ : 50 mm;
- $400 < DN/ID \leq 1\,200$ :  $0,12 \times [DN/ID]$ , expressed in millimetres;
- $DN/ID > 1\,200$ : 150 mm.

NOTE The above values have been taken from EN 476:1997, 9.2.1<sup>[1]</sup>.

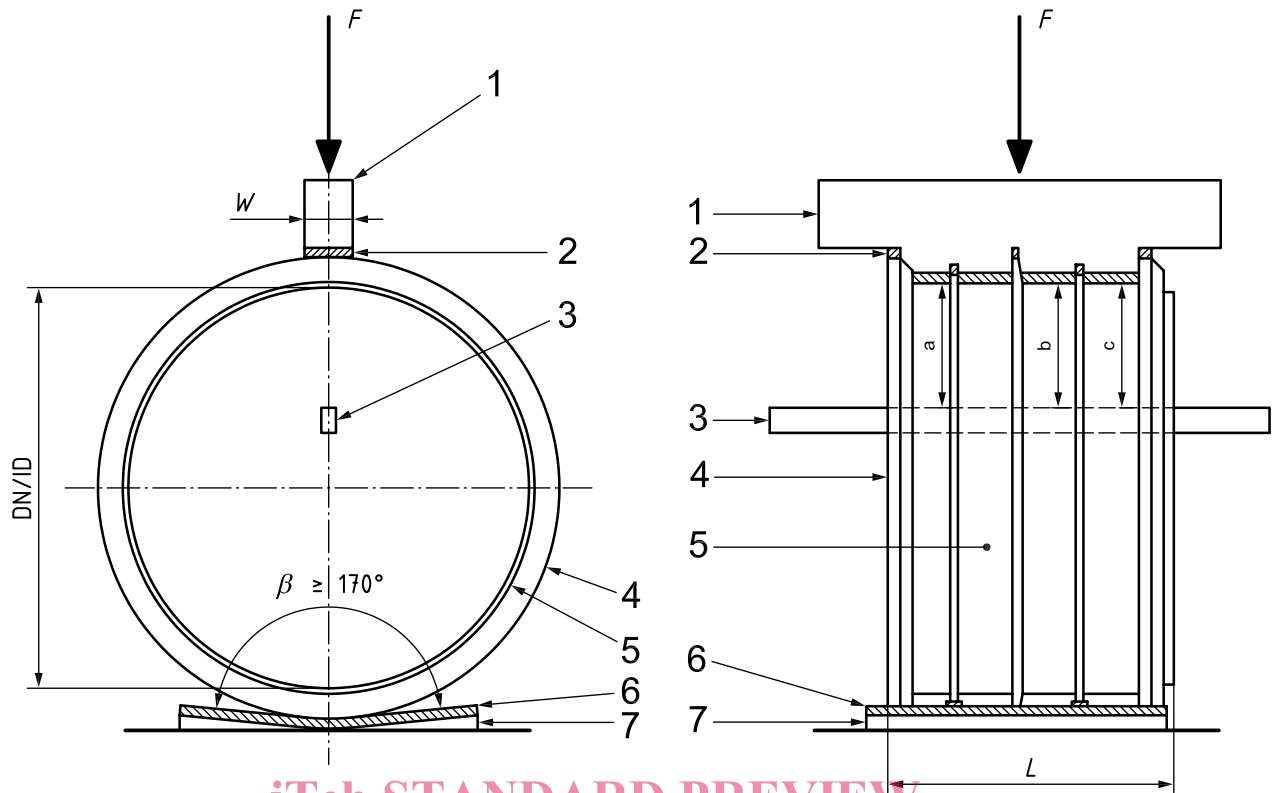
Where the outside of an irregular shaft has a change in cross-section incorporated within the test piece, the bearers shall be shaped to accommodate this (see Figure 4). Where square or rectangular shafts have a regular rib configuration, this shall not be considered not to be a change in cross-section, and the load,  $F$ , imposed shall be applied just to the crests of the ribs.

The centre of loading shall be so arranged that the vertical deflection of the two ends of the test piece differs by not more than 0,5 % of the nominal size of the shaft.

Where the surface of the outside of the shaft does not provide a smooth bearing contact, the bearers shall be surfaced with a strip, not less than 3 mm thick, of elastomeric material of  $(50 \pm 5)$  IRHD hardness in accordance with ISO 48.

The length of each bearer shall be not less than the length of the test piece.





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#### Key

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| 1 | bearer, accommodated to shape of test piece                                      | $F$ | load, applied to upper bearer |
| 2 | elastomeric strips   | $L$ | length of test piece          |
| 3 | reference beam for measuring   | $W$ | width of bearer               |
| 4 | joint element, assembled, comprising standard sealing system of the manufacturer | a   | Measuring point 1.            |
| 5 | test piece   | b   | Measuring point 2.            |
| 6 | elastomeric material   | c   | Measuring point 3.            |
| 7 | support  |     |                               |

Figure 4 — Loading arrangement

**5.2.2 Measuring devices**, capable of determining the length to an accuracy of  $\pm 0,5$  mm and the force and deflection along the length of the test piece to an accuracy of  $\pm 1$  % in the direction of the applied force.

## 6 Test pieces

### 6.1 Number of test pieces

Three test pieces shall be taken, each consisting of a riser or an appropriate length of riser segment incorporating a joint element, if required.

### 6.2 Age of test pieces

Test pieces shall be  $(21 \pm 2)$  days old and conditioned, in air, at ambient temperature for at least 24 h prior to testing.