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Plastics piping systems — Multilayer pipe systems for indoor gas installations with a maximum operating pressure up to and including 5 bar (500 kPa) —

Part 1: **Specifications for systems**

Systèmes de canalisations en matières plastiques — Tubes multicouches et leurs assemblages pour une pression maximale de service inférieure ou égale à 5 bar (500 kPa) destinés à l'alimentation en gaz à l'intérieur des bâtiments —

Partie 1: Spécifications pour les systèmes

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Foreword

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ISO 17484-1 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 138, *Plastics pipes, fittings and valves for the transport of fluids*, Subcommittee SC 4, *Plastics pipes and fittings for the supply of gaseous fuels*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 17484-1:2006) and ISO 17484-1:2006/Cor.1:2008, of which have been technically revised.

ISO 17484 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Plastics piping systems — Multilayer pipe systems for indoor gas installations with a maximum operating pressure up to and including 5 bar (500 kPa)*:

— *Part 1: Specifications for systems*

— *Part 2: Code of practice*

Introduction

This part of ISO 17484 was developed in response to worldwide demand for minimum specification for multi-layered pipes for indoor gas applications.

Multi-layered pipes are delivered generally as a complete system. Pipes, fittings, tools, etc., are not compatible with components of another brand, generally. An advantage is that all components are perfectly geared to one another, but for repairing, the lack of compatibility might be problematic in the future.

Fire safety of systems

Depending on the construction of the house, pipework layout and other local circumstances, it is possible that additional safety devices are required to fulfill the demands of fire safety. Safety aspects of the system will be described in the planned Part 2.

Code of practice

The planned second part of ISO 17484 will be the code of practice for installation.

Recommendations on design, construction and protection in case of fire of the gas indoor installation are given in EN 1775.

References to ISO/TC 138/SC5 work

Test methods referred to in this part of ISO 17484 have been developed by SC 5 as far as possible. However, not all test methods needed are in the working programme of SC 5. These test methods are placed in Annexes B to K of this part of ISO 17484. It is planned that these tests will be developed as International Standards in the future.

For multilayer pipe construction, consisting of a layer of a reference standard material, an adhesive and a non-stress-designed layer, procedure I and the relevant product standards are followed for all aspects, excluding the aspects of delamination and, if applicable, oxygen permeation.

For example, layers can have the following purposes:

— ability to withstand the pressure;

— ability to realize interlayer adhesion;

— ability to block or greatly diminish incoming UV and/or sunlight;

— ability to mechanically protect the outside layer;

— ability to control the longitudinal expansion;

— ability to give the multilayer pipe a colour (inside layer or outside layer).

Some characteristics can be combined in one layer.

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Part 1:
Specifications for systems

1 Scope

This part of ISO 17484 specifies the general requirements and the performance requirements for multilayer pipe systems based on pipes, fittings and their joints intended to be used for gas supply within buildings.

PE-X and PE * pipes composed of one stress-designed layer, adhesive and a barrier layer are also covered by this part of ISO 17484.

This part of ISO 17484 gives guidance for the design of piping systems consisting of multilayer pipes based on thermoplastics, for which at least 60 % of the wall thickness is polymeric material. Polymeric materials intended for stress-designed layers and all inner layers are required to be polyethylene (PE) and/or crosslinked polyethylene (PE-X) in accordance with Annex A of this part of ISO 17484. The outer layer of a metal multilayer is required to be PE or PE-X. PE-RT is considered as PE but with specific properties concerning hoop-stress performance (see 5.4.2.).

This part of ISO 17484 applies to systems that operate at temperatures of – 20 °C up to 60 °C.

For the purpose of this part of ISO 17484, crosslinked polyethylene (PE-X) and adhesive layers are considered as thermoplastic materials.

For sizes greater than 63 mm the requirements of ISO 18225 have to be fulfilled in addition.

This part of ISO 17484 is applicable for piping systems used in buildings to supply gas with a maximum operating pressure up to and including 500 kPa (5 bar) [1)].

This standard applies to the following fuels:

— Category D gaseous fuel: natural gas; see ISO 13623;

— Category E gaseous fuel: LPG vapour, and natural gas or LPG vapour; see ISO 13623.

* Note:The maximum operation pressure of PE 80 may be lower than 5 bar.

1) 1 bar = 0,1 MPa = 10^5 Pa; 1 MPa = 1 N/mm2

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 3:1973, *Preferred numbers — Series of preferred numbers*

ISO 161-1, *Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Nominal outside diameters and nominal pressures — Part 1: Metric series*

ISO 497:1973, *Guide to the choice of series of preferred numbers and of series containing more rounded values of preferred numbers*

ISO 1167 (all parts), *Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of the resistance to internal pressure*

ISO 3126, *Plastics piping systems — Plastics components — Determination of dimensions*

ISO 3503, *Assembled joints between fittings and polyethylene (PE) pressure pipes — Test of leakproofness under internal pressure when subjected to bending*

ISO 8085-3:2001, *Polyethylene fittings for use with polyethylene pipes for the supply of gaseous fuels — Metric series — Specifications — Part 3: Electrofusion fittings*

ISO 9080, *Plastics piping and ducting systems — Determination of the long-term hydrostatic strength of thermoplastics materials in pipe form by extrapolation*

ISO 10838 (all parts), *Mechanical fittings for polyethylene piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels*

ISO 11357-6, *Plastics — Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) — Part 6: Determination of oxidation induction time*

ISO 12162:1995, *Thermoplastics materials for pipes and fittings for pressure applications — Classification and designation — Overall service (design) coefficient*

ISO 13480, *Polyethylene pipes — Resistance to slow crack growth — Cone test method*

ISO 13623:2000, *Petroleum and natural gas industries — Pipeline transportation systems*

ISO 13951, Plastics piping systems — Test method for the resistance of polyolefin pipe/pipe or pipe/fitting assemblies to tensile loading

ISO 14531-1, *Plastics pipes and fittings — Crosslinked polyethylene (PE-X) pipe systems for the conveyance of gaseous fuels — Metric series — Specifications — Part 1: Pipes*

ISO 14531-2, *Plastics pipes and fittings — Crosslinked polyethylene (PE-X) pipe systems for the conveyance of gaseous fuels — Metric series — Specifications — Part 2: Electrofusion Fittings*

ISO 17454:2006, *Plastics piping systems — Multilayer pipes — Test method for the adhesion of the different layers using a pulling rig*

ISO 17456:—, *Plastics piping systems — Multilayer pipes — Determination of long-term strength*

ISO 18225, *Plastic piping systems — Multilayer piping systems for outdoor gas installations — Specifications for systems*

EN 713, *Plastics piping systems — Mechanical joints between fittings and polyolefin pressure pipes — Test method for leaktightness under internal pressure of assemblies subjected to bending*

EN 1555-3, *Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels — Polyethylene(PE) — Part 3: Fittings*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols

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

3.1 Structural definitions

3.1.1
multilayer pipe
pipe comprising of several stress-designed layers

3.1.2
multilayer M-pipe
Pipe comprised of stress-designed polymeric layers and one or more stress-designed metallic layers

Note The wall thickness of the pipe consists of at least 60% of polymeric materials (e.g. PEX/Al/PEX or PE-RT/Al/PEX).

3.1.3
multilayer P-pipe
pipe comprised of more than one stress-designed polymeric layer (e.g. PE/PE-X)

3.1.4
layer
homogeneous circumferential section of pipe wall that has chemical and/or mechanical and/or physical characteristics different from those of its immediate neighbours

3.1.5
inner layer
layer in contact with the conveyed fluid

3.1.6
outer layer
layer exposed to the external environment

3.2 Geometrical definitions

3.2.1
nominal diameter
d_n
specified diameter, assigned to a nominal size (DN/OD or DN/ID)

NOTE The nominal diameter is expressed in units of millimetres.

3.2.2
outside diameter
d_e
diameter, measured through its cross section at any point of a pipe or the fitting end of a fitting, rounded to the next greater 0,1 mm

3.2.3
mean outside diameter
measured length of the outer circumference of the pipe divided by π, rounded up to the nearest 0,1 mm

NOTE The value for π is taken to be 3,142.

3.2.4
inside diameter
value of the measurement of the diameter through its cross section at any point of a pipe, rounded to the next greater 0,1 mm

3.2.5
SDR_m
metal layer standard dimension ratio, the nominal outside diameter (DN or OD) divided by the nominal wall thickness of the metal layer

3.2.6
wall thickness
difference between the pipe outside diameter used for joining and the pipe bore divided by 2

3.2.7
nominal wall thickness
e_n
wall thickness, corresponding to the minimum wall thickness at any point

NOTE The nominal wall thickness is expressed in units of millimetres.

3.2.8
mean wall thickness
e_m
arithmetic mean of at least four measurements regularly spaced around the same cross-sectional plane of the pipe, including the measured minimum and maximum values obtained, rounded up to the nearest 0,1 mm

3.3 Definitions related to pressure

3.3.1
design pressure
p_D
highest pressure related to the circumstances for which the system has been designed and intended to be used

3.3.2
predicted design pressure
p_{CD}
pressure that represents the predicted design pressure after a lifetime of 50 years, using the 97,5 % reference line

NOTE The predicted design pressure is expressed in units of kilopascals (bars).

3.4 Materials definitions

3.4.1
virgin material
material in a form such as granules or powder that has not been subjected to use or processing other than that required for its manufacture and to which no reprocessable or recyclable material has been added

3.4.2
own reprocessable material
material prepared from rejected unused pipes and fittings, including trimmings from the production of pipes and fittings that can be reprocessed in a manufacturer's plant after having been previously processed by the same manufacturer by a process such as moulding or extrusion and for which the complete formulation is known