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## Foreword

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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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by January 2000, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by January 2000.

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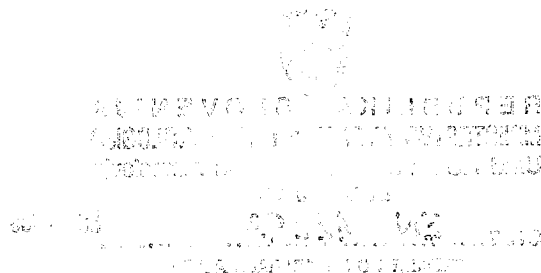
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## 1 Scope

This standard specifies a method for testing the resistance to temperature cycling of joints for piping systems with rigid or flexible thermoplastics pipes.

It is applicable to thermoplastics piping systems intended to be used in hot and cold water pressure applications.

## 2 Principle

A test assembly of pipes and fittings is subjected to temperature cycling by the passage of water under pressure using hot and cold water alternately for a specified number of cycles.

While being subjected to temperature cycling parts of the assembly of pipes and fittings are maintained under tensile stress and/or flexural strain by the use of static clamps.

During and after the test the assembly is monitored for signs of leakage.

NOTE: It is assumed that the following test parameters are set by the standard making reference to this standard:

- a) the test temperatures (see 3.1, 3.2 and 6.1);
- b) the duration of a complete cycle and each part of the cycle (see 3.1, 3.2 and 6.1);
- c) the test pressure (see 3.6 and 6.1);
- d) the tensile stress (see 3.8 and 5.3);
- e) the bending radius (see clause 4 and Figures 1 and 2);
- f) the total number of cycles, including the first five cycles (see 6.2 and 6.3).

## 3 Apparatus

### 3.1 Cold water source, capable of all of the following:

- a) supplying the water volume necessary to maintain the temperature variation throughout the test piece within the specified maximum difference (see 6.2);
- b) supplying this water at the lowest temperature specified in the referring standard to within  $\pm 5$  K;
- c) supplying this water for the duration of at least each cycle as specified in the referring standard.

### 3.2 Hot water source, capable of all of the following:

- a) supplying the water volume necessary to achieve the required water velocity (see 6.2);
- b) supplying this water at the highest temperature specified in the referring standard to within  $\pm 2$  K;
- c) supplying this water for the duration of at least each cycle as specified in the referring standard.

**3.3 Balancing valves**, capable of regulating the water velocity as necessary to maintain the temperature variation throughout the test piece within the specified maximum difference (see 6.2).

**3.4 Alternation equipment**, capable of achieving each change in hot and cold water temperatures at the inlet within 1 min.

**3.5 Thermometer(s)**, capable of checking conformity to the specified test temperatures (see 3.1 3.2 and 6.2).

**3.6 Pressure gauge(s) and a device**, for regulating the water pressure in the test assembly at the pressure specified in the referring standard to an accuracy of  $\pm 0,5$  bar, except for brief pressure spikes that may occur when the temperature of water is changed.

**3.7 Supporting brackets**, as appropriate, comprising anchor brackets (fixed points) capable of restraining piping components, and guide brackets, capable of supporting piping components without inhibiting longitudinal movement (see clause 5 and Figure 1).

**3.8 Tensioning device**, capable of applying the required initial tensile stress (see 5.3).

NOTE: This is to simulate stress which may be induced in any fixed pipe section as a result of contraction caused by cooling to temperatures below those prevailing during installation.

## 4 Test assembly

The test assembly shall comprise an assembly of pipes and fittings jointed and clipped in accordance with Figure 1 and the manufacturer's recommended practice, except as follows.

If, when following the manufacturer's recommended practice, the pipe cannot be bent to the configuration shown for branch C in Figure 1, e.g. because of the material, wall thickness and/or outside diameter of the pipe, then branch C shall conform to Figure 2.

The test assembly as shown in Figure 1 shall include the following:

- a) for branch A: at least three pre-stressed pipes linked by straight connectors, stressed in accordance with 5.3, where the free length of such combination shall be  $(3000 \pm 5)$  mm;
- b) for branch B: at least two straight pipes, each free to move and having a free length of  $(300 \pm 5)$  mm;
- c) for branch C: at least one bend (see Figure 1 or 2, as appropriate) supported by ends. The free length of pipe shall either be in the range of  $27 d_n$  to  $28 d_n$ , where  $d_n$  is the nominal diameter of the pipe, or alternatively shall have a length which enables the minimum pipe bending radius, as stated by the manufacturer, to be formed.

## 5 Preparation of the test assembly

**5.1** If applicable, subject the test assembly to preconditioning in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer(s) of piping components and/or the jointing components (e.g. adhesive).

**5.2** Condition the test assembly at a room temperature of  $(23 \pm 5)$  °C for at least 1 h.

**5.3** Prestress branch A of the test assembly to the tensile stress specified in the referring standard and fix in position the free ends of the stressed branch.

**5.4** Fill the test assembly with cold water so that all air is expelled.

## 6 Procedure

**6.1** Start the sequence of cycles, of cold and then hot water, specified in the referring standard [see b) and f) of the note to clause 2] under the conditions of pressure, temperatures applicable to the class of service conditions as specified in the referring standard.

**6.2** Within the first five cycles:

- a) adjust the balancing valve(s) so that for the remainder of the test, during each part of the water cycle where a temperature is to be maintained the temperature drop between the inlet and the outlet of the test assembly will be less than 5 K;
- b) perform any tightening or adjustment of joints necessary to eliminate any leakage.

**6.3** Throughout and following completion of the number of cycles specified by the referring standard, inspect all joints for any signs of leakage, e.g. scaling.

If leakage occurs, record the type and position of the leakage and when it was observed.

## 7 Test report

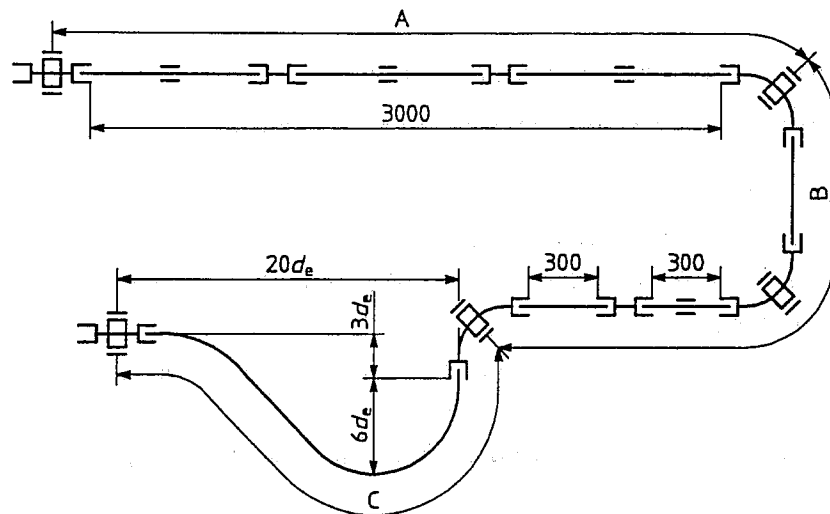
The test report shall include the following information:

- a) the reference to this standard and to the referring standard;
- b) the identification of the components under test, including the class of service condition and the operating pressure;
- c) whether the pipe was flexible or rigid;
- d) in the case of flexible pipes, the bending radius applied in branch C;
- e) the tensile stress in branch A;
- f) the test temperatures (lower and higher temperature of the cycle), in degrees Celsius;
- g) the duration of the complete cycle and each part of the cycle, in minutes;
- h) the total number of complete cycles, (including the first five cycles);
- i) the test pressure, in bars;
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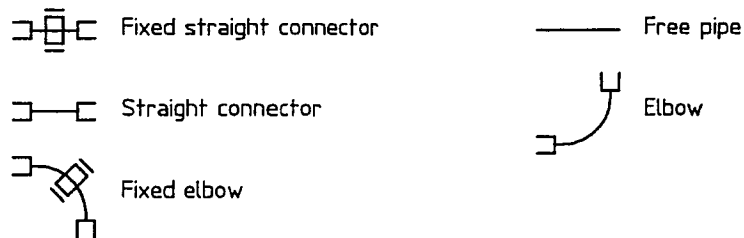
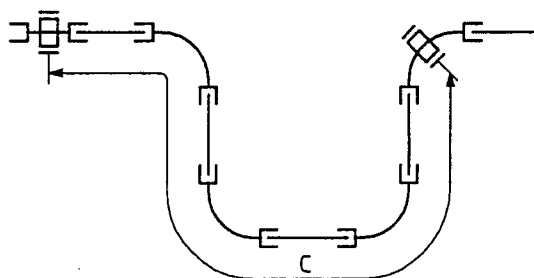


Dimensions in millimetres



- A Branch A (anchored section)
- B Branch B (section free to expand and contract)
- C Branch C (cold bent pipe section)

Figure 1 — Test arrangement



- C Branch C (for rigid pipes)

Figure 2 — Alternative test arrangement of branch C for rigid pipes