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Partie 1: Températures inférieures à -80 °C

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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 21028-1:2004), which has been technically revised.

ISO 21028 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Cryogenic vessels — Toughness requirements for materials at cryogenic temperature*:

- *Part 1: Temperatures below -80 °C*
- *Part 2: Temperatures between -80 °C and -20 °C*

Introduction

The use of materials at low temperatures entails special problems which are to be addressed. Consideration is to be given, in particular, to changes in mechanical characteristics, expansion and contraction phenomena and the thermal conduction of the various materials. Austenitic stainless steel can transform from the austenitic to the martensitic phase when cooled down, leading to dimensional change that needs to be considered during design.

However, the most important property to be considered is material toughness at low temperatures.

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Cryogenic vessels — Toughness requirements for materials at cryogenic temperature —

Part 1: Temperatures below -80 °C

1 Scope

This part of ISO 21028 specifies the toughness requirements of metallic materials for use at a temperature below -80 °C to ensure their suitability for cryogenic vessels.

This part of ISO 21028 is not applicable to unalloyed steels and cast materials.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

minimum working temperature

lowest temperature likely to be reached by the vessel or by one of the vessel components during operation

4 Toughness requirements

4.1 General

The toughness of the materials used shall be either guaranteed by the material producer or verified by conducting an impact test on the material in accordance with the following requirements.

The toughness of the materials used shall be guaranteed by the material producer or cryogenic vessel manufacturer by conducting an impact test on each heat (lot) of the material in accordance with the following requirements.

Additionally, impact tests shall be performed on welded vessels as part of welding procedure qualification and production weld tests as specified in the product standard.

4.2 Steels

4.2.1 The materials used for the manufacture of the vessels, the welds and the heat-affected zone shall meet either the minimum impact energy or lateral expansion values.

a) Ferritic steels: Minimum impact energy value: 34 J/cm².

NOTE 1 34 J/cm² corresponds to a 27 J energy for a full-size specimen.

b) Austenitic steels: Minimum impact energy value: 40 J/cm².

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NOTE 2 40 J/cm² corresponds to a 32 J energy for a full-size specimen.

c) Minimum lateral expansion value: 0,38 mm.

4.2.2 The requirements of [4.2.1](#) apply to parent metal, welds and heat-affected zones at minimum working temperature and for the following steels.

a) Ferritic alloy steel Ni ≤ 9 %

NOTE 1 Product standards specify more stringent requirements in some cases (e.g. ISO 20421-1).

b) Austenitic stainless steels (CrNi, CrNiMo, CrNiMn, etc., see, for example, EN 10028-7)

NOTE 2 The values relate to V-notch impact test pieces as specified in ISO 148-1.

4.2.3 The extent of testing should be as follows.

a) For working temperatures warmer or equal to -196 °C, only the weld should be subjected to the impact test.

b) For working temperatures colder than -196 °C, base metal, heat-affected zones and weld metal should be impact tested. It is sufficient to perform the impact test at -196 °C, but either minimum impact energy value should be 48 J/cm² or the minimum lateral expansion value should be 0,53 mm. For the base material, the value guaranteed in the material test certificate may be used.

For working temperatures colder than -196 °C, base metal, heat-affected zones and weld metal should be impact tested. It is sufficient to perform the impact test at -196 °C, but

- minimum impact energy value should be 48 J/cm²,
- or minimum impact energy value should be 40 J/cm² if, during the welding procedure test, it was demonstrated that there are no significant differences of the impact energy values of -196 °C and the values of the lower temperature,
- or the minimum lateral expansion value should be 0,53 mm.

For the base material, the value guaranteed in the material test certificate may be used.

4.3 Aluminium or aluminium alloys

The toughness of aluminium and aluminium alloys is inherently high enough at low temperatures to render impact tests unnecessary (see, for example, ISO 6361-3 and ISO 6361-4).

4.4 Copper or copper alloys

The toughness of copper and copper alloys is inherently high enough at low temperatures to render impact energy unnecessary (see, for example, EN 1652, EN 1653, EN 1981 and EN 12163).

4.5 Test methods

4.5.1 General

The impact energy and lateral expansion values specified in [4.2](#) relate to test pieces measuring 10 mm × 10 mm with a V-notch.

For materials of thickness less than 10 mm but greater than or equal to 5 mm, test pieces with a cross-section of 10 × *e*, where *e* is the thickness of the material in millimetres, shall be used. If standard test pieces cannot be obtained from the material, reduced section test pieces, with a width equal to the product thickness, 7,5 mm or 5 mm, may be used as specified in ISO 148-1. A minimum value as specified in [4.2](#) shall be met.

Impact testing shall not be carried out on plates of thickness less than 5 mm or on their welds.

4.5.2 Test piece locations for plates

The impact test shall be performed on three test pieces. Each test piece shall be taken transverse to the rolling direction and the notch and, therefore, parallel to the direction of rolling and perpendicular to the plate surface.

4.5.3 Test piece locations for welds and heat-affected zones

4.5.3.1 For thicknesses $e \leq 10$ mm

The test pieces shall be taken as follows:

- three test pieces from the centre of the weld;
- three test pieces from the heat-affected zone created by the weld, with the notch being completely outside the fused zone but as close as possible to it;

i.e. six test pieces in total (see [Figure 1](#)).

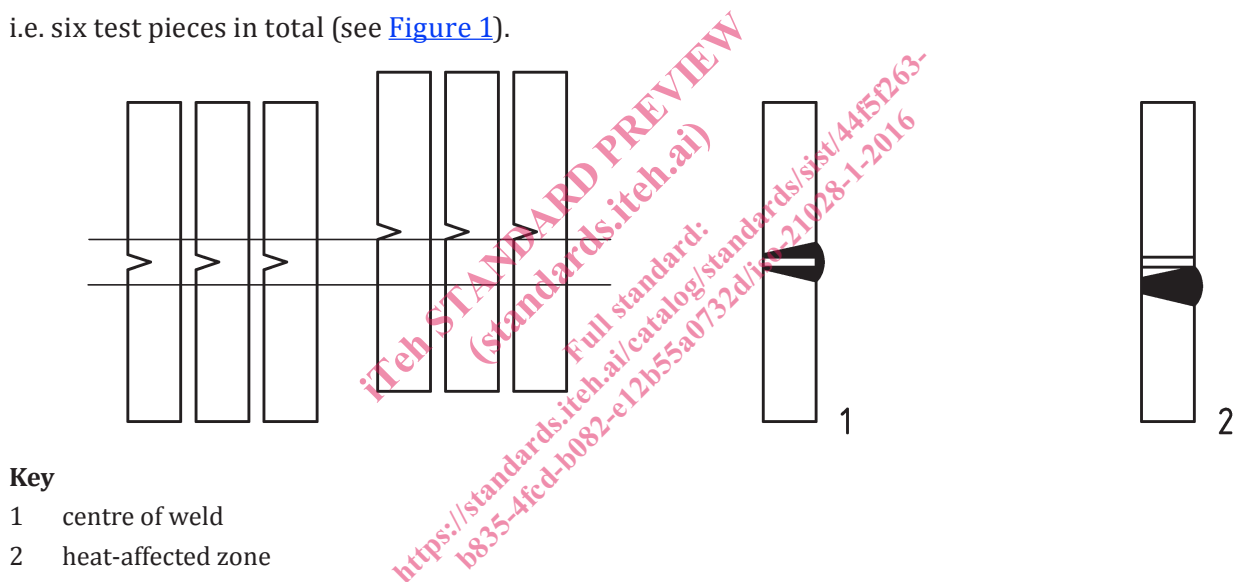


Figure 1 — Test pieces for $e \leq 10$ mm

4.5.3.2 For thicknesses $10 \text{ mm} < e \leq 20$ mm

The test pieces shall be taken as follows:

- three test pieces from the centre of the weld;
- three test pieces from the heat-affected zone;

i.e. six test pieces in all (see [Figure 2](#)).