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Introduction

The main objective of the test using the test bench described in this International Standard is to determine whether and for a safety period a non-metallic hose (made of rubber) assembly or non-metallic compensator (bellow made of rubber) can be exposed to fire without becoming inoperable when subjected to the design working pressure. Although the attacking fire is simulated such that it corresponds to a fire occurring in practice, it cannot be assumed that the duration of fire resistance as recorded during that test will also occur in the event of an actual fire, as the installation conditions, which greatly affect to the duration of fire resistance, may vary from case to case.

When carried out using the test bench specified in ISO 15541, the test procedure according to this International Standard is intended to lead to results capable of being reproduced by testing the same size and

A specimen test certificate is specified in Annex A.

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Ships and marine technology — Fire resistance of non-metallic hose assemblies and non-metallic compensators — Test methods

Scope

This International Standard specifies a test procedure for determining the fire resistance of non-metallic hose assemblies and non-metallic compensators with nominal diameter of up to 150 mm. It may be used for larger sizes provided proper test bench conditions are obtained.

It serves for proving whether, after the period of fire effect on the test bench specified in ISO 15541, hose assemblies and non-metallic compensators continue to be tight, even when subjected to proof pressure.

Only water is permitted as a test medium. With a view to ensuring maximum safety for both the operating personnel and the test bench in the event of damage to the hose or non-metallic compensator during the test, the use of combustible test media is excluded.

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 15541, Ships and marine technology Eire resistance of non-metallic hose assemblies and nonmetallic compensators — Requirements for the test bench

Designation

The designation of the test for determining the fire resistance is composed of the elements quoted in the example below:

In this designation the elements have the following meaning:

Test: designation

ISO 15540: number of this International Standard

test duration in minutes 30:

5: working pressure during flame application, in bar

400: proof pressure following flame application, in bar

F: test specimen with fire sleeve

4 Test specimen and specimen preparation

Non-metallic hose assemblies with a hose length of a least 500 mm shall be used as test specimen.

Each series of non-metallic compensators which have the same shape and identical construction shall be tested in their standard configuration.

The purchaser and operator of the test bench shall agree which fitting types are be used for the test.

The test specimen may be tested either with or without fire sleeves subject to agreement; identification letter B for test without fire sleeves, identification letter F for tests with fire sleeves. If fire sleeves are used, then all specimens qualifying a series of non-metallic hose or non-metallic compensator shall be tested with fire sleeves.

Prior to the test, the test specimen shall be stored at ambient temperature for 24 h.

5 Number of test specimen

The type tests shall be carried out on a minimum of three non-metallic hose assemblies or non-metallic compensators with different nominal diameters of up to 150 mm but of identical hose or compensator construction. The smallest, the middle and the largest nominal diameter of each series shall be tested.

For an approval of non-metallic compensators with size range above 150 mm one additional test with half of the biggest size shall be tested.

6 Test bench

The test shall be carried out on a test bench according to ISO 15541.

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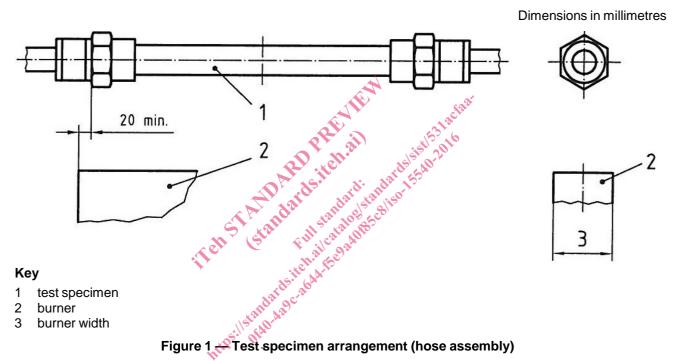
7 Test performance

7.1 Installation of test specimen

The test specimen shall be installed on the test bench such that the burner end extends beyond one hose end fitting by at least 20 mm such that the fitting and hose is completely enclosed by the flames (see Figure 1).

In case of non-metallic compensators, the specimen shall be arranged such that the bellow (or other compensator design shape) and both end fittings or flanges are parallel to the surface of the burner and are completely enclosed by the flames.

The test specimen shall be centred above the burner surface (see Figure 1) in order to provide a flame appearance according to ISO 15541 Annex A, Figures A.1 and A.2.



7.2 Burner width

In order to ensure that the flames reliably enclose the test specimen, the minimum burner widths shown in Table 1 shall be observed.

Table 1 — Burner width

Dimensions in millimetres

Minimum width of burner	Outside diameter of test specimens	
50	up to 25	
100	over 25 up to 75	up to 100 ^a
150	over 75 up to 125	
200	over 125 up to 150 ^a	
250	over 150 up to 200	
a Up to 150 the flames shall be fully enclose the test specimen.		

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