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- in Clause 1 Scope for the different group of materials in a) for sheets, pipes and fittings, group 1 includes also ABS; b) is for lining membranes and flooring. In c) for pipes and fittings, the group 10 is for PA-U 11 or PA-U 12;
- in Table 2 for the group of material 6 PVC-P the range of e_n has been modified from $e_n = 2$ to $1 \le e_n \le 3$ and the Sub groups 6.5 and 6.6 has been added; for the group of material 7 PE, the Sub groups 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9, 7.10 have been added and the range of the nominal wall thickness is: $0.75 \le e_n \le 1$;
- Figure 9 Test piece for lining membranes Butt weld with V preparation, has been added and the numbering of the other ones has been changed;
- Subclause 10.4 Non-destructive tests on the high voltage test, has been added.

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Introduction

This document covers the principles to be observed in the qualification testing of welder performance for the welding of thermoplastic materials.

The ability of the welder to follow verbal or written instructions and testing of his skill are important factors in ensuring the quality of the welded product.

This document is intended to provide the basis for the mutual recognition by examining bodies for qualification relating to welders competence in the various fields of application.

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1 Scope

This document specifies the method of testing the knowledge and skill of a welder who is required to carry out welds on thermoplastics in new constructions and repair work.

The skill examination of a welder is an essential condition for the assurance of the quality of the welding work.

The application of this document guarantees that the examination is carried out according to a uniform test procedure.

This document applies when the contractor or the authorities responsible for the application require it. Gas and water utility network industries with alternative qualification programmes are excluded from this document.

This document applies to the following welding processes:

- hot gas welding: round nozzle, high speed nozzle, wedge;
- extrusion welding;
- heated tool welding: butt, saddle, socket, wedge;
- electrofusion welding: socket, saddle;
- solvent welding: socket. STANDARD PREVIEW

This document applies to the welding of the following products:

- sheet:
- fittings; en-13067-2020
- lining membrane.

This document covers the welding of the following groups of materials:

- a) for sheets, pipes and fittings:
 - group 1: PVC (including all kinds of PVC-U, PVC-C) or ABS;
 - group 2: PP (including all kinds of PP);
 - group 3: PE (including all kinds of PE);
 - group 4: PVDF;
 - group 5: ECTFE or PFA or FEP;
- b) for lining membranes and flooring:
 - group 6: PVC-P;
 - group 7: PE (including all kinds of PE);

- group 8: ECB;
- group 9: PP.
- c) for pipes and fittings only:
 - group 10: PA-U 11 or PA-U 12

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

EN 12814-1, Testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semi-finished products — Part 1: Bend test

EN 12814-2:2000, Testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semi-finished products — Part 2: Tensile test

EN 12814-4, Testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semi-finished products — Part 4: Peel test

EN 12814-8, Testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semi-finished products — Part 8: Requirements

EN 13100-1, Non destructive testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semi-finished products — Part 1: Visual examination

EN 13100-4, Non destructive testing of welded joints of thermoplastics semifinished products — Part 4: High voltage testing

EN 14728, Imperfections in thermoplastic welds — Classification

CEN/TS 16892, Plastics — Welding of thermoplastics — Specification of welding procedures

ISO 13955, Plastics pipes and fittings — Crushing decohesion test for polyethylene (PE) electrofusion assemblies

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following term and definition apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at http://www.iso.org/obp

3.1

AD-WLD break

failure mode in an extrusion welded membrane peel test specimen where the failure is through the weld material

3.2

applicant

person who has submitted an application to be admitted into the certification process

3.3

assessment

process that evaluates a person's fulfilment of the requirements of the certification scheme

3.4

candidate

applicant who has fulfilled specified prerequisites and has been admitted to the certification process

3.5

certificate

document issued by the certificate issuing authority under the provisions of this document, indicating that the named person has fulfilled the certification requirements

3.6

certificate issuing authority

CIA

establishment responsible for issuing the welder qualification test certificate and for approving the PWE and or the Invigilator, working for example in compliance with EN ISO/IEC 17024

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invigilator

qualified person, approved by Certificate Issuing Authority (CIA), who can supervise the practical and theoretical tests

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3.8

manufacturer

company, contractor or organization who is responsible for the welding

3.9

Plastics Welding Examiner

PWE

qualified person approved by Certificate Issuing Authority (CIA), who verifies the compliance with this standard

3.10

qualification test

theoretical and practical tests in order to verify the knowledge and the skill of the welder

3.11

range of qualification

welding processes, types of joint, materials, thicknesses and diameters for which a welder is qualified

3.12

test piece

assembly which is welded during the practical test

3.13

test specimen

part or portion cut from the test piece for the test specified

3.14

test house

establishment having all relevant test equipment to carry out the required tests and working for example in compliance with EN ISO/IEC 17025

3.15

training centre

educational establishment for training plastics welding personnel and/or Plastics Welding Examiner approved by CIA

3.16

welding process

technique characterized by the method of softening to obtain permanent assembly

3.16.1

electrofusion welding

softening of fitting and pipe surfaces to be welded is obtained by means of a heating element embedded in the fitting which remain between welded joints

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extrusion welding

welding process in which an extruder unit with a melting chamber gives the extruded material required by the thickness and shape of the joint

Note 1 to entry: Hot air or inert gas heats simultaneously the parent material.

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3.16.3

heated tool welding

welding process in which the joint surfaces are adequately heated by exposure, through direct contact with heated elements and are welded under pressure, which includes butt fusion welding (also called hot plate welding, platen welding or mirror welding) and socket fusion welding

3.16.4

heated wedge

welding process in which the lining membrane welded is gripped by rollers which guide and propel the welding machine which uses either hot gas to heat the lining membrane and the wedge to effect the weld or electrically heated wedge to heat the lining membrane in the area being welded

3.16.5

high-speed nozzle

welding process in which the welding rod is suitably guided and pre-heated and the nozzle tip is provided with a profiled area to apply the welding pressure

3.16.6

hot gas welding

welding process in which the materials to be unified are softened by hot air or inert gas and are pressed together

3.16.7

round nozzle

welding process in which the pressure is applied via the welding rod or a suitable attachment such as a pressure roller

3.16.8

solvent welding

softening of fitting and pipe surfaces, by means of a solvent contained in the cement

Note 1 to entry: After suitable cure time, the solvent dries leaving the parent material in the interface between welded joints.

3.17

welding Procedure Specification

WPS

document providing in detail the required variables for a specific application to assure repeatability

3.18

welding record sheet

document recording in detail the variables used during the practical test

3.19

welder

person making a welded assembly by any process, whose manual skill and knowledge are two of the determining factors influencing the quality of the welded joint, or person performing a welding operation by means of mechanical or automatic equipment

4 Admission to the qualification tests

Only applicants whose training and/or for whose previous activities show that they are likely to pass the planned test may be admitted as a candidate. As a rule this is the case if one of the following conditions is met:

- completed apprenticeship as plastics fabricator;
- at least two years experience as a plastics welder confirmed by manufacturer's declaration;
- completion of both a technical and practical training course in preparation for the plastic welders qualification test.

An example of a suitable training course is defined in Entry [1] in the Bibliography or may be identified in national standards.

5 Testing of skill and knowledge

5.1 General

During the qualification test, the candidate shall demonstrate his practical skill according to 5.2 and his theoretical knowledge according to 5.3.

5.2 Practical test

This part of the qualification test is carried out under the supervision of the PWE or Invigilator.

The candidate shall complete the test piece specified by the required sub-group in Table 1 or Table 2 in accordance with the relevant WPS.

All welding equipment, materials and documents necessary to complete the test piece shall be available to the candidate.

All welding shall be performed in a horizontal position.

The time taken by the candidate to complete the test piece shall correspond to that taken under production conditions.

5.3 Theoretical test

5.3.1 General

This part of the qualification test is carried out under the supervision of the PWE or Invigilator.

The candidate's knowledge of the practical working rules for skilful and safe working shall be evaluated in the theoretical test.

5.3.2 Lining membranes (M) and sheets (S)

The candidate shall answer 20 multiple-choice questions for one welding process. If the candidate is being tested in more than one welding process, the number of multiple-choice questions shall be increased by five per welding process up to a maximum of forty.

Completion of the 20 questions theoretical test shall not exceed one hour and be continuous without access to teaching aids. For any extra question a maximum time of 3 min shall be added to the previous hour.

The questions shall cover the subjects in 5.3.4 as appropriate.

5.3.3 Pipes and fittings (P)

The candidate shall answer 20 multiple-choice questions for each welding process. If the candidate is being tested in more than one subgroup the number of multiple-choice questions shall be increased by seven for each subgroup.

EXAMPLE The number of questions for testing subgroups: 2.4+3.4+3.6 is 47 questions

Completion of the 20 questions theoretical test shall not exceed one hour and be continuous without access to teaching aids. For any extra question a maximum time of 3 min shall be added to the previous hour.

The questions shall cover the subjects in 5.3.4 as appropriate.

5.3.4 Questions

The questions shall cover the following subjects, as appropriate:

- rules for welding of thermoplastics to which the test is designed to apply, meaning of the welding signs and symbols of the range of work;
- operation and control of the welding equipment;
- welding processes;
- knowledge concerning on-site welding;
- correct preparation of the work pieces for welding;