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EN 16304:2022 (E)**European foreword**

This document (EN 16304:2022) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 58 “Safety and control devices for burners and appliances burning gaseous or liquid fuels”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

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of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by April 2023, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by October 2025.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CEN shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This document supersedes EN 16304:2013.

The following significant changes compared to the previous edition have been incorporated in this document:

- a) alignment with EN 13611:2019;
- b) requirements from EU Directive 2014/68/EU were not adopted;
- c) terms and definitions are aligned with EN 13611:2019;
- d) reference to EN 437 removed;
- e) clause “Electronic component – sensing element” is not applicable;
- f) clause “Protection against internal faults for the purpose of functional safety” is not applicable;
- g) information on lifetime for safe function (designed lifetime) added to instructions.

This document has been prepared under a Standardization Request given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s) / Regulation(s).

For relationship with EU Directive(s) / Regulation(s), see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

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Introduction

This document is intended to be used in conjunction with EN 13611:2019.

EN 13611:2019 recognizes the safety level specified by CEN/TC 58 and is regarded as a horizontal standard dealing with the safety, construction, performance and testing of controls for burners and appliances burning gaseous and/or liquid fuels.

The general requirements for controls are given in EN 13611:2019, and methods for classification and assessment for new controls and control functions are given in EN 14459:2021 (see Figure 1). EN 126:2012 (see Figure 1) specifies multifunctional controls combining two or more controls and Application Control Functions, one of which is a mechanical control function. The requirements for controls and Application Control Functions are given in the specific control standard (see Figure 1, control functions).

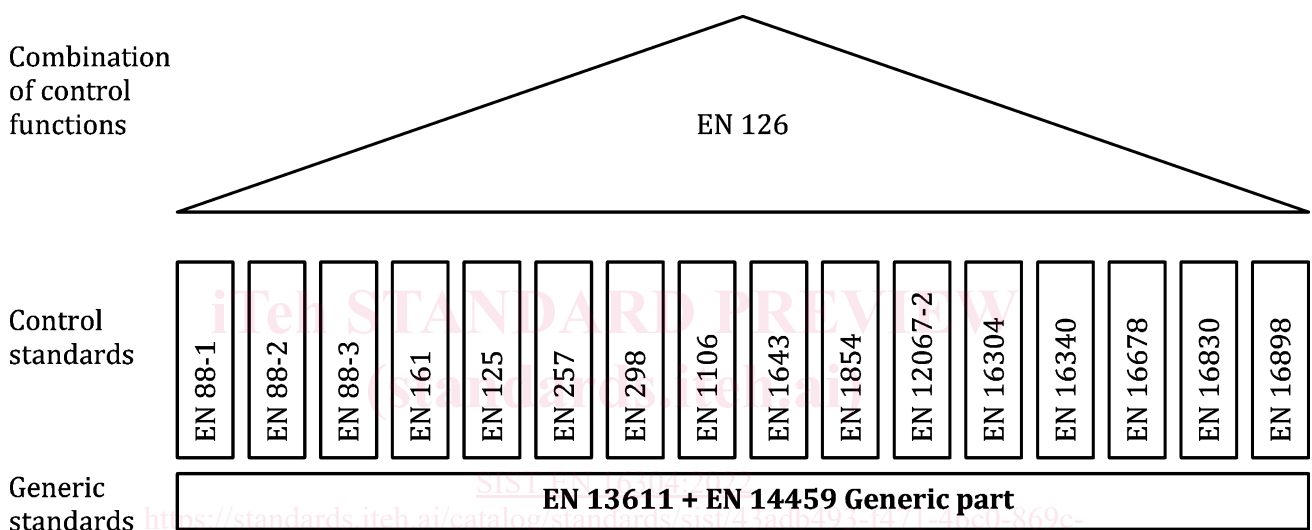


Figure 1 — Interrelation of control standards

EN 13611:2019 should be used in conjunction with the specific standard for a specific type of control (e.g. EN 88-1:2022, EN 88-2:2022, EN 88-3:2022, EN 125:2022, EN 126:2012, EN 161:2022, EN 257:2022, EN 298:2022, EN 1106:2022, EN 1643:2022, EN 1854:—¹, EN 12067-2:2022, EN 16304:2022, EN 16340:2014, EN 16678:2022 and EN 16898:2022), or for controls for specific applications.

EN 13611:2019 can also be applied, so far as reasonable, to controls not mentioned in a specific standard and to controls designed on new principles, in which case additional requirements can be necessary. EN 14459:2021 provides methods for classification and assessment of new control principles.

Primarily in industrial applications it is common practice to rate the safety of a plant based on values describing the likelihood of a dangerous failure. These values are being used to determine Safety Integrity Levels or Performance Levels when the system is being assessed in its entirety.

CEN/TC 58 standards for safety relevant controls do go beyond this approach, because for a certain life time for which the product is specified, designed and tested a dangerous failure is not allowed at all. Failure modes are described and assessed in greater detail.

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Measures to prevent from dangerous situations are defined. Field experience over many decades is reflected in the CEN/TC 58 standards. Requirements of EN 13611:2019 can be considered as proven in practice.

This document refers to clauses of EN 13611:2019 or adapts clauses by stating “with the following modification”, “with the following addition”, “is replaced by the following” or “is not applicable” in the corresponding clause.

This document adds clauses or subclauses to the structure of EN 13611:2019 which are particular to this document. Subclauses which are additional to those in EN 13611:2019 are numbered starting from 101. Additional annexes are designated as Annex AA, Annex BB, Annex CC etc. It should be noted that these clauses, subclauses and Annexes are not indicated as an addition.

If by reference to EN 13611:2019 the term “control” is given, this term should be read as “valve”.

This document establishes methodologies for the determination of a Performance Level (PL) in accordance with EN 13611:2019, Annexes K and L.

EN 16304 compliance for valves cannot be claimed based upon Performance Level (PL) classification according to EN ISO 13849-1:2015 or Safety Integrity Level (SIL) classification according to EN 61508-1:2010.

Valves with PL or SIL classification do not automatically meet the requirements of this document.

Performance Level (PL) classification according to EN ISO 13849-1:2015 or Safety Integrity Level (SIL) classification according to EN 61508-1:2010 cannot be claimed based upon compliance with this standard only.

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1 Scope

EN 13611:2019, Clause 1 applies with the following modification and addition:

Modification:

The 1st paragraph of EN 13611:2019, Clause 1 is replaced by:

This document specifies the safety, design, construction, and performance requirements and testing for automatic vent valves for burners and appliances burning one or more gaseous fuels, hereafter referred to as “valves”.

This document is applicable to valves with declared maximum inlet pressures up to and including 500 kPa and of nominal connection sizes up to and including DN 100.

Addition:

This document is applicable to:

- electrically actuated valves;
- valves actuated by fluids where the control valves for these fluids are actuated electrically, but not to any external electrical devices for switching the control signal or actuating energy;
- valves fitted with open position indicator switches.

The 4th paragraph of EN 13611:2019, Clause 1 is removed.

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 13611:2019², *Safety and control devices for burners and appliances burning gaseous and/or liquid fuels — General requirements*

EN 13906-1:2013, *Cylindrical helical springs made from round wire and bar — Calculation and design — Part 1: Compression springs*

EN 13906-2:2013, *Cylindrical helical springs made from round wire and bar — Calculation and design — Part 2: Extension springs*

EN 60730-1:2016³, *Automatic electrical controls for household and similar use — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60730-1:2013, modified)*

EN IEC 61058-1:2018, *Switches for appliances — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 61058-1:2016)*

EN 175301-803:2006, *Detail Specification: Rectangular connectors — Flat contacts, 0,8 mm thickness, locking screw not detachable*

² As impacted by EN 13611:2019/AC:2021.

³ As impacted by EN 60730-1:2016/A1:2019 and EN 60730-1:2016/A2:2022.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 13611:2019 and the following apply.

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

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

3.101

automatic vent valve

device which closes when energized and opens automatically when de-energized

3.102

actuating mechanism

part of the valve which moves the closure member

[SOURCE: EN 161:2022, 3.102]

3.103

open position indicator switch

switch fitted to a valve which indicates when the closure member is in the open position

3.104

actuating energy

required energy for the actuating mechanism to move the closure member to the closed position

Note 1 to entry: The actuating energy can have an external source (electrical, pneumatic or hydraulic) and can be transformed inside the valve.

3.105

opening force

force required to open the valve, independent of any force provided by fuel gas pressure

3.106

frictional force

largest force required to move the actuating mechanism and the closure member from the closed position to the open position with the opener spring removed, independent of any force provided by fuel gas pressure

3.107

actuating pressure

hydraulic or pneumatic pressure supplied to the actuating mechanism of the valve

[SOURCE: EN 161:2022, 3.111]

3.108

opening time

time interval between de-energizing the valve and the closure member attaining the open position

3.109

closing time

time interval between energizing the valve and the closure member attaining the closed position

3.110**delay time**

time interval between energizing the valve and the start of the closure member moving to the closed position

3.111**control valve**

valve, which controls the fluid (e.g. compressed air) supplied to the actuating mechanism

[SOURCE: EN 161:2022, 3.115]

3.112**power saving circuit**

circuit, which reduces the power consumption of the valve during the closed phase

4 Classification**4.1 Classes of control**

EN 13611:2019, 4.1 is not applicable.

4.2 Groups of control

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 4.2.

4.3 Classes of control functions

EN 13611:2019, 4.3 is not applicable.

4.4 Types of DC supplied controls

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 4.4.

5 Test conditions and uncertainty of measurements

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, Clause 5.

6 Design and construction**6.1 General**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 6.1 with the following modification:

The 3rd paragraph of EN 13611:2019, 6.1 is not applicable.

6.2 Mechanical parts of the control**6.2.1 Appearance**

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 6.2.1.

6.2.2 Holes

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 6.2.2.

6.2.3 Breather holes

Shall be according to EN 13611:2019, 6.2.3.