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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 22434:2006), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- update of the scope;
- update of the normative references;
- update of terms and definitions;
- modifications of [subclauses 5.1](#), [5.2.2](#), [5.3.2](#);
- [clause 6](#) Testing is now given in [5.4](#) and has been modified;
- modification of marking requirements;
- update of the Bibliography.

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Introduction

This document has been written so that it is suitable to be referenced in the UN Model Regulations^[1].

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Gas cylinders — Inspection and maintenance of valves

1 Scope

This document specifies the requirements for the inspection and maintenance of valves (including ball valves and valves with integrated pressure regulator (VIPRs)) for:

- a) refillable transportable gas cylinders;
- b) cylinder bundles;
- c) pressure drums and tubes;

which convey compressed, liquefied or dissolved gases.

This document does not apply to valves for LPG.

NOTE Where there is no risk of ambiguity, gas cylinders, cylinder bundles, pressure drums and tubes are addressed with the collective term “gas cylinders” within this document.

This document applies to valves reused at the time of the periodic inspection of gas cylinders, cylinder bundles, pressure drums and tubes, and may be applied at any other time, e.g. at change of gas service (see ISO 11621).

This document does not apply to routine inspection of valves e.g. carried out at the time of gas cylinder filling.

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.

ISO 10286, *Gas cylinders — Terminology*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10286 and the following apply.

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

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

3.1

inspection

procedure to determine if a valve is suitable for further service

3.2

dismantling

separation of the valve into its component parts, such that the main pressure barrier of the valve is breached

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3.3

removal

disconnection of the valve from the gas cylinder

3.4

maintenance

operations required to keep the valve in working condition

Note 1 to entry: Note to entry: This covers minor repairs, major repairs and refurbishment.

3.4.1

minor repair

operation including cleaning, and replacement of non-pressure-retaining components, e.g. handwheel, outlet flow restrictor, residual pressure device fitted in the valve outlet

3.4.2

major repair

operation including replacement of valve accessories which are incorporated within the pressure boundary, but do not require dismantling of the valve, e.g. pressure relief device (PRD), pressure gauges, flowmeter

3.4.3

refurbishment

operation involving dismantling of the valve, evaluation, re-use or replacement (if necessary) of its internal components, and reassembly to make it suitable for further service

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4 General requirements

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4.1 Frequency of inspection and maintenance

If a valve is deemed to require maintenance at any time, e.g. at time of periodic inspection and tests of a gas cylinder, it shall either be subject to the maintenance procedures in accordance with [5.3](#) or be scrapped in accordance with [Clause 8](#).

4.2 Personnel

Valves shall be inspected, maintained and removed from gas cylinders by competent personnel only.

4.3 Safety concerns

Prior to removing the valve from a gas cylinder it shall be verified that no pressure remains in the cylinder.

NOTE ISO 25760 provides guidance for the safe removal of cylinder valves and assessment related to gas hazards.

Inspection and minor repairs may be carried out on valves while they are connected to a pressurized gas cylinder, but this requires special procedures.

Major repairs and refurbishment shall only be performed on a valve in a de-pressurized gas cylinder or on a removed valve.

5 Inspection and maintenance

5.1 General

Inspection will determine if a valve is suitable for continued service or if maintenance is required, and the level of that maintenance.