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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 67 *Materials, equipment and offshore structures for petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Drilling, and completion fluids and well cements*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13503-3:2005), which has been technically revised.

This document supplements API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014).

The technical requirements of this part of ISO 13503 and API RP 13J used to be identical. In the meantime, API RP 13J has been technically revised as API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014). The purpose of this revision is to bring this part of ISO 13503 up-to-date, by referencing the current edition of API RP 13J, and including supplementary content.

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

- The main content of the document is removed to avoid duplication of content in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014). Only content supplemental to API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) is now present in this document.
- The method for measuring crystallization temperature in formate brines is described in this document and differs from the method described in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) due to the specific nature of formate brines.
- The method for measuring pH in formate brines is described in this document and differs from the method described in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), since the API recommended method is unsuitable for formate brines.

A list of all parts in the ISO 13503 series can be found on the ISO website.

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## Introduction

Crystallization temperature is an important property of well construction and intervention fluids used in cold weather conditions and/or under high pressure. API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) defines the crystallization temperature of a brine as the temperature at which crystals will appear in a brine solution of a given density as it cools. The definition of the crystallization temperature of a brine provided by API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) is not suitable for formate brines because of prominent supercooling and metastable phase potassium formate crystals that can form at temperatures much lower than crystallization temperature for stable potassium formate crystals. A more suitable definition of crystallization temperature is therefore “the highest temperature at which crystals and liquid can exist in stable equilibrium”.

Formate brines, especially potassium and cesium formate brines and their blends, behave very differently from most other brines due to strong kinetic effects that complicate crystallization temperature measurements. The following factors complicate crystallization temperature measurements in formate brines:

- crystallization temperatures can be very low and can be lower than the cooling capability of the measuring equipment;
- a significant amount of supercooling;
- existence of metastable potassium formate crystals that form in potassium-rich formate brines.

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# Petroleum and natural gas industries — Completion fluids and materials —

## Part 3: Testing of heavy brines

### 1 Scope

This document covers the physical properties, potential contaminants and test procedures for heavy brine fluids manufactured for use in oil and gas well drilling, completion, and workover fluids.

This document generally refers to API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) for description of methods for assessing the performance and physical characteristics of heavy brines for use in field operations.

This document supplements API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), the requirements of which are applicable with the exceptions specified in this document. This document provides more suitable method descriptions for determining the formate brines pH and crystallization temperature at ambient pressure compared to the methods provided by API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014).

This document is intended for the use of manufacturers, service companies and end-users of heavy brines.

### 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.

API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), *Testing of heavy brines*

### 3 Terms, definitions, and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) 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 crystallization temperature

**CT**

temperature at which crystals and liquid exists in stable equilibrium

Note 1 to entry: The definition provided by API RP 13 J, 5th edition (2014) is not valid for formate brines

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**4 Supplements to API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014)****4.1 General**

The requirements, recommendations and permissions specified in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014) shall apply, with the exceptions specified in [4.2](#) to [4.5](#).

**4.2 Method for determining iron content**

The requirements specified in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), Clause 11 apply with the following exception.

The method for determining iron content shall not be used on formate brines.

**4.3 Method for determining buffering capacity**

The requirements specified in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), Clause 13 apply with the following exception.

The method for determining buffer capacity shall not be used on formate brines.

**4.4 Method for determining CT****4.4.1 General**

The requirements specified in API RP 13J, 5th edition (2014), Clause 7 apply with the following exception.

The method for determining CT of formate brines shall be in accordance with [4.4.2](#) to [4.4.6](#).

**4.4.2 Application and procedure**

The CT can be measured in all formate single-salt and blended brines:

- sodium formate brine;
- potassium formate brine;
- cesium formate brine;
- sodium/potassium formate brine blends;
- potassium/cesium formate brine blends.

The overall procedural steps for measurement of CT of formate brines are:

- a) prepare seeding material (see [4.4.3](#));
- b) select seeding material (see [4.4.4](#));
- c) determine approximate CT (see [4.4.5](#));
- d) determine accurate CT (see [4.4.6](#)).

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