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This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition (ISO 3821:2008) which has been technically revised.

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

- the definition of maximum working pressure has been added;
- [Clauses 7](#) to [9](#) have been revised;
- the requirements for marking have been revised;
- editorial changes have been made.

This corrected version of ISO 3821:2019 incorporates the following corrections:

- the publication year has been corrected from 2018 to 2019 on the cover page as well as in the headers and footers of the document.

Gas welding equipment — Rubber hoses for welding, cutting and allied processes

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for rubber hoses (including twin hoses) for welding, cutting and allied processes.

This document specifies requirements for rubber hoses for normal duty of 2 MPa (20 bar) and light duty [limited to hoses for maximum working pressure of 1 MPa (10 bar) and with bore up to and including 6,3 mm].

This document applies to hoses operated at temperatures $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and used in:

- gas welding and cutting;
- arc welding under the protection of an inert or active gas;
- processes allied to welding and cutting, in particular, heating, brazing, and metallization.

This document does not specify requirements for hose assemblies; these are detailed in ISO 8207.

This document applies neither to thermoplastics hoses nor to hoses used for high pressure [$>0,15\text{ MPa}$ ($>1,5\text{ bar}$)] acetylene.

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 37, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tensile stress-strain properties*

ISO 188, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Accelerated ageing and heat resistance tests*

ISO 1307:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Hose sizes, minimum and maximum inside diameters, and tolerances on cut-to-length hoses*

ISO 1402, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Hydrostatic testing*

ISO 10619-1, *Rubber and plastics hoses and tubing — Measurement of flexibility and stiffness — Part 1: Bending tests at ambient temperature*

ISO 10619-2, *Rubber and plastics hoses and tubing — Measurement of flexibility and stiffness — Part 2: Bending tests at sub-ambient temperatures*

ISO 1817, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of the effect of liquids*

ISO 4080, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Determination of permeability to gas*

ISO 4671, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Methods of measurement of the dimensions of hoses and the lengths of hose assemblies*

ISO 7326, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Assessment of ozone resistance under static conditions*

ISO 8033, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Determination of adhesion between components*

ISO 8330, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Vocabulary*

ISO 11114-3, *Gas cylinders — Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents — Part 3: Autogenous ignition test for non-metallic materials in oxygen atmosphere*

ISO 15296, *Gas welding equipment — Vocabulary*

ISO 23529, *Rubber — General procedures for preparing and conditioning test pieces for physical test methods*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 8330 and ISO 15296 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 twin hose

two normal rubber hoses joined together longitudinally

3.2 universal fuel gas hose

hose which can be used for all fuel gases except fluxed fuel gas

Note 1 to entry: Fuel gases are listed in [Table 5](#).

3.3 flux fuel gas hose

hose suitable for fuel gas containing a flux

3.4 maximum working pressure

maximum pressure to which the equipment may be subjected in service

4 Abbreviated terms

LPG	liquefied petroleum gases
MPS	methylacetylene-propadiene mixtures

5 Application

Hoses shall only be used for the gas service for which they are identified (see [10.2](#)).

6 Hose designation

The hoses covered by this document are designated using the following information:

- a) inside diameter, see [Table 1](#);
- b) light or normal duty (pressure rating), see [Table 4](#);
- c) colour and marking (gas service), see [Table 5](#).

EXAMPLE 1 6,3 mm, light duty. Blue (Oxygen).

EXAMPLE 2 10 mm, normal duty. Red and Orange (Universal fuel gases).

EXAMPLE 3 6,3 mm, light duty, FLUX. Red (Fluxed fuel gases).

7 Materials

7.1 Construction

7.1.1 Light and normal duty hoses

The hose shall consist of:

- a) a rubber lining of minimum thickness 1,3 mm for hoses with total wall thickness of 3,0 mm or less and 1,5 mm for hoses with total wall thickness greater than 3,0 mm;
- b) reinforcement applied by any suitable technique;
- c) a rubber cover of a minimum thickness of 1,0 mm.

7.1.2 Flux fuel gas hose

The flux fuel gas hose shall consist of the following:

- a) a rubber lining with an additional inner plastic layer, which shall be of maximum thickness 0,5 mm, to give a minimum total thickness of a rubber lining of 1,3 mm for hoses with total wall thickness of 3,0 mm or less and 1,5 mm for hoses with total wall thickness greater than 3,0 mm;
- b) reinforcement applied by any suitable technique;
- c) a rubber cover of minimum thickness 1,0 mm.

7.1.3 Twin hose

Each hose used for twin hose construction shall be as specified in 7.1.1 or 7.1.2. The two hoses shall be joined longitudinally during the extrusion and/or vulcanization process. They shall be capable of being separated free of damage to enable end fittings to be fitted (see 9.3.7).

7.2 Manufacture

The lining and cover shall be of uniform thickness and free from holes, porosity and other defects.

8 Dimensions and tolerances

8.1 Inside diameters

The inside diameters of the hoses shall be in accordance with the dimensions and tolerances shown in [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Dimensions and tolerances on inside diameter

Nominal size	Inside diameter	
	Basic dimension mm	Tolerance mm
4,0	4,0	±0,4
4,8	4,8	
5,0	5,0	
6,3	6,3	
7,1	7,1	
8,0	8,0	±0,5
9,5	9,5	
10,0	10,0	
12,5	12,5	±0,6
16,0	16,0	
20,0	20,0	
25,0	25,0	
32,0	32,0	±1,0
40,0	40,0	±1,25
50,0	50,0	

NOTE 1 Nominal sizes, basic dimensions and their tolerances on inside diameters do not comply with ISO 1307:2006, Table 1.

NOTE 2 For intermediate dimensions, numbers are chosen from the R20 series of preferred numbers (see ISO 3) with tolerances for the next larger inside diameter listed.

8.2 Outside diameters

The basic dimensions of the outside diameters of the hoses shall be determined by the manufacturer by determining the total wall thickness of the hoses (including rubber lining, rubber cover and reinforcement layer) relative to the basic dimensions of the inside diameter by the manufacturer. The tolerances on the basic dimensions of the outside diameters shall be in accordance with the values shown in [Table 2](#).

Table 2 — Outside diameter ranges and its corresponding tolerance and concentricity

OD range	Tolerance on OD	Concentricity maximum
	mm	mm
Up to and including 12,0 mm	±0,6	0,6
Greater than 12,0 mm up to and including 16,0 mm	±0,8	0,7
Greater than 16,0 mm up to and including 22,5 mm	±1,0	0,8
Greater than 22,5 mm up to and including 42,0 mm	±1,5	1,0
Greater than 42,0 mm	±1,8	1,3

8.3 Wall thickness

The wall thickness of rubber lining, rubber cover and inner plastic layer of the hoses shall be not less than the minimum thickness specified in [7.1.1](#) and [7.1.2](#).