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**prEN 1508:2024 (E)****European foreword**

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This document will supersede EN 1508:1998.

prEN 1508:2024 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to EN 1508:1998:

- improvements related to the long-term resilience and security of drinking water storage and demand management;
- clarification of terms used to describe different types of pumped or gravity fed reservoirs;
- improved and updated figures;
- addressing innovations in ventilation and air control;
- new Clause A.8 added, giving guidance on the selection of ventilation systems;
- new Clause A.9 added, showing a typical inspection checklist.

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## **Introduction**

In specifying the requirements of this document, due regard has been taken of the importance of a reliable and safe supply of water for human consumption as well as for the purpose of trade, industry, agriculture and firefighting.

This document is written for the designer, owner, operator and contractor.

The contractor can be the builder or be performing maintenance, cleaning and inspection.

The widely varying water supply legislative requirements, populations, social and climatic conditions across Europe have also been taken into account.

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**prEN 1508:2024 (E)****1 Scope**

This document specifies and gives guidance on:

- general requirements for storage of water outside consumers' buildings, including service reservoirs for potable water and reservoirs containing water not for human consumption at intake works or within treatment works, excluding those that are part of the treatment process;
- design;
- general requirements for product standards;
- requirements for, quality control and auditing, testing and commissioning;
- operational requirements;
- requirements for inspection, rehabilitation and repair.

The requirements of this document are applicable to:

- the design and construction of new reservoirs;
- the extension and modification of existing reservoirs;
- significant rehabilitation of existing reservoirs.

NOTE 1 It is not intended that existing reservoirs are altered to comply with this document, provided that there are no significant detrimental effects on water quality.

NOTE 2 This document does not apply to reservoirs formed by the building of dams or the use of lakes for water storage purposes.

**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 805:2000, *Water supply — Requirements for systems and components outside buildings*

EN 1992-1-1, *Eurocode 2 — Design of concrete structures — Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings, bridges and civil engineering structures*

EN 15975-1, *Security of drinking water supply — Guidelines for risk and crisis management — Part 1: Crisis management*

EN 15975-2, *Security of drinking water supply — Guidelines for risk and crisis management — Part 2: Risk management*

**3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology 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>

### 3.1

#### **air tightness**

characteristic quality of the structure that prevents the passage of air through the structure in other ways than the intended route

### 3.2

#### **capacity**

volume of the compartment(s) that can be used for the operation of a reservoir

### 3.3

#### **equalisation volume**

volume used to equalize the incoming water flow to the outgoing water flow of the reservoir during day and night

### 3.4

#### **emergency volume**

volume for demands during emergency situations

Note 1 to entry: Examples of emergencies are breaks of water mains, pump failures, water treatment plant interruptions, etc.

### 3.5

#### **firefighting volume**

volume for water demand for firefighting

### 3.6

#### **dead volume**

volume which cannot be used because it is below the level of the entrance to the outlet pipe or is below the minimum acceptable hydraulic gradient

### 3.7

#### **compartment**

self-contained part of a reservoir which has separate inlet, outlet, overflow and washout arrangements, and can be operated independently from other compartments of the same reservoir

Note 1 to entry: See Figures 1 and 2.

### 3.8

#### **control building**

self-contained part of a reservoir used to accommodate the main valves, pumps, controls and monitoring equipment and which can provide the means of access to the water compartment(s)

### 3.9

#### **critical point**

point in the water distribution network whose minimum allowable pressure determines the location and elevation of the service reservoir

**prEN 1508:2024 (E)****3.10****designer**

person responsible for establishing, with the purchaser or water company, the basic criteria to be used for the design, construction, commissioning and operation of the reservoir

**3.11****rehabilitation**

work necessary to upgrade or improve a reservoir

**3.12****repair**

work necessary to remedy a defect and restore a reservoir to satisfactory operation

**3.13****reservoir**

storage facility for water

Note 1 to entry: Examples for reservoirs are artificial lakes and natural lakes whose outlet has been dammed to control the water level.

**3.14****service reservoir**

covered storage facility for potable water which includes water compartment(s), control building, operation equipment and access arrangements, providing reserve supplies and pressure stability, and balancing demand fluctuations

Note 1 to entry: See Figure 1.

Note 2 to entry: Service reservoirs can be operated with or without pumping stations.

Note 3 to entry: In English literature and in common practice the term tank is also used.

**3.15****ground service reservoir**

service reservoir whose bottom of the water volume is at or near ground level

**3.16****buried service reservoir**

service reservoir whose top of the water volume is at or near ground level

**3.17****water demand**

estimated quantity of water required per unit of time

**3.18****water tightness**

characteristic quality of the structure that prevents the passage of water through the structure in excess of any permitted quantity

**3.19****water tower**

reservoir constructed with the compartment(s) above ground level with an elevation sufficient to provide water by gravity to the supply area

Note 1 to entry: In the literature and in common practice, the terms elevated tank and elevated service reservoir are also used.

## 4 Abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the following abbreviated terms apply.

CFD	computerized fluid dynamics
WSA	water supply area

## 5 General requirements

### 5.1 General

#### 5.1.1 General

This document is written principally for application to service reservoirs. In the case of other reservoirs, the designer or operator will determine which parts of this document shall apply, for example disinfection is not always required for reservoirs containing water not for human consumption.

#### 5.1.2 Functions

The purpose of service reservoirs is to store the necessary amount of water required for water supply in the area concerned. To achieve this their functions, include:

- a) to equalize the difference between water intake and output and to cover peaks in demand;
- b) to maintain the required pressure in the water distribution systems;
- c) to keep stocks in reserve in case of plant malfunctions and interruptions in the water distribution systems;
- d) to provide water for firefighting, taking into account local requirements.

See also A.1.

#### 5.1.3 Decision criteria and system configuration

Important decision criteria are:

- a) security of supply and water quality;
- b) overall cost of construction, operation and maintenance;
- c) integration into the water supply system;
- d) town and landscape planning;
- e) system resilience, for example multiple compartments to enable inspection and maintenance without interruption of services;
- f) pipework constraints, for example separate inlets and outlets or common pipework.

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The above-mentioned criteria can be achieved by elevated service reservoirs, water towers or by low level service reservoirs with pumping systems. Service reservoirs can be designed as buried, partially buried or above ground structures.

The construction of an elevated service reservoir is advisable if suitable high ground is available.

The construction of a water tower may be considered where the necessary ground elevation at a suitable point near the supply area is not available for an elevated service reservoir.

A pumping station with a low-level service reservoir is a viable option if measures have been taken to ensure continuity of power supply.

Service reservoirs are mainly constructed from reinforced, pre-cast or pre-stressed concrete. They may also be constructed using steel, glass fibre reinforced plastic or other materials that fulfil the requirements of this document.

See also A.2.

**5.2 Functional requirements****5.2.1 Functional requirements - water quality****5.2.1.1 General**

Service reservoirs shall be designed, constructed and operated to prevent contamination or other chemical, physical and biological changes that are detrimental to the water quality.

NOTE Service reservoirs and their components are subject to European, national and local laws, regulations, directives, standards and technical approvals, in particular concerning water quality.

**5.2.1.2 Materials**

Materials which meet test requirements as specified in relevant product standards and codes and will not cause the stored water to deteriorate shall be used in the structure of the water compartments and on the surfaces in contact with the stored water.

Concrete and cement mortars generally satisfy this requirement, but special care shall be taken if additives are used. In order to facilitate subsequent cleaning and to avoid bacterial growth internal surfaces shall be as smooth and pore-free as possible.

This can be achieved by high quality concrete finishes including form work liners or by the application of suitable coatings or linings. It shall be verified that materials such as applied coatings do not increase microbial growth, release of chemical contaminants or break down.

All metallic parts to be installed within the compartments shall be protected, stainless steel is recommended.

The designer should consider materials and the chemical properties of water being stored and be durable against chemical attack (e.g. soft water).

**5.2.1.3 Water circulation**

Stagnant zones shall be minimized. This can be achieved by suitable design of the physical shape of the water compartments and the arrangement of inlet and outlet pipework for the particular storage capacity. The capacity of a service reservoir shall not be larger than the sum of the equalization volume, the emergency volume and the firefighting volume. Any larger volume will lead to higher risk for stagnant zones and longer retention time in the service reservoir.