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European foreword

This document (prEN 1555-1:2024) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 155 "Plastics piping and ducting systems", the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

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System Standards are based on the results of the work being undertaken in ISO/TC 138 "Plastics pipes, fittings and valves for the transport of fluids", which is a Technical Committee of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

They are supported by separate standards on test methods to which references are made throughout the System Standard.

The System Standards are consistent with general standards on functional requirements and on recommended practice for installation.

EN 1555 consists of the following parts:

- EN 1555-1, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels Polyethylene (PE) Part 1: General (this document);
- EN 1555-2, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels Polyethylene (PE) Part 2: Pipes;
- EN 1555-3, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels Polyethylene (PE) Part 3: Fittings;
- EN 1555-4, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels Polyethylene (PE) Part 4: Valves;
- EN 1555-5, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels Polyethylene (PE) Part 5: Fitness for purpose of the system;

In addition, the following document provides guidance on the assessment of conformity:

— CEN/TS 1555-7, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels — Polyethylene (PE) —Part 7: Guidance for assessment of conformity.

The revision of this System Standard has been carried out to add information related to the suitability of PE pipe systems for 100 % hydrogen and its admixtures with natural gas.

NOTE EN 12007-2 prepared by CEN/TC 234 "Gas infrastructure" deals with the recommended practice for installation of plastics pipes system in accordance with EN 1555 (all parts).

Introduction

The EN 1555 series specifies the requirements for a piping system and its components made from polyethylene (PE) compounds, which is intended to be used for the supply of gaseous fuels.

This document covers materials and the general aspects of the plastics piping system.

Requirements and test methods for components of the piping system are specified in EN 1555-2, EN 1555-3 and EN 1555-4.

Characteristics for fitness for purpose of the system are covered in EN 1555-5. CEN/TS 1555-7 gives guidance for assessment of conformity.

Recommended practice for design, handling and installation is given in EN 12007-2.

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1 Scope

This document specifies materials and the general aspects of polyethylene (PE) piping systems in the field of the supply of gaseous fuels.

NOTE For the purpose of this document the term gaseous fuels include for example natural gas, methane, butane, propane, hydrogen, manufactured gas, biogas, and mixtures of these gases.

It also specifies the test parameters for the test methods referred to in this document.

In conjunction with EN 1555-2, EN 1555-3, EN 1555-4 and EN 1555-5, this document is applicable to PE pipes, fittings and valves, their joints and to joints with components of other materials intended to be used under the following conditions:

- a) a maximum operating pressure, MOP, up to and including 10 bar^1 at a design reference temperature of $20 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$:
- b) an operating temperature between -20 °C and 40 °C.

For operating temperatures between 20 °C and 40 °C, derating coefficients are defined in EN 1555-5.

The EN 1555 series covers a range of MOPs and gives requirements concerning colours.

It is the responsibility of the purchaser or specifier to make the appropriate selections from these aspects, taking into account their particular requirements and any relevant national guidance or regulations and installation practices or codes.

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.

prEN 1555-2:2024, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels — Polyethylene (PE) — Part 2: Pipes

EN 1555-3, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels — Polyethylene (PE) — Part 3: Fittings

EN 1555-4, Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels — Polyethylene (PE) — Part 4: Valves

EN 12099, Plastics piping systems — Polyethylene piping materials and components — Determination of volatile content

EN ISO 472, Plastics — Vocabulary (ISO 472)

EN ISO 1043-1, Plastics — Symbols and abbreviated terms — Part 1: Basic polymers and their special characteristics (ISO 1043-1)

EN ISO 1133-1, Plastics — Determination of the melt mass-flow rate (MFR) and melt volume-flow rate (MVR) of thermoplastics — Part 1: Standard method (ISO 1133-1)

EN ISO 1167-1, Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of the resistance to internal pressure — Part 1: General method (ISO 1167-1)

¹ bar = $0.1 \text{ MPa} = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$; 1 MPa = 1 N/mm^2 .

EN ISO 1167-2, Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of the resistance to internal pressure — Part 2: Preparation of pipe test pieces (ISO 1167-2)

EN ISO 1183-1, Plastics — Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics — Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pycnometer method and titration method (ISO 1183-1)

EN ISO 1183-2, Plastics — Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics — Part 2: Density gradient column method (ISO 1183-2)

EN ISO 6259-1, Thermoplastics pipes — Determination of tensile properties — Part 1: General test method (ISO 6259-1)

EN ISO 6259-3, Thermoplastics pipes — Determination of tensile properties — Part 3: Polyolefin pipes (ISO 6259-3)

EN ISO 9080, Plastics piping and ducting systems — Determination of the long-term hydrostatic strength of thermoplastics materials in pipe form by extrapolation (ISO 9080)

EN ISO 11357-6, Plastics — Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) — Part 6: Determination of oxidation induction time (isothermal OIT) and oxidation induction temperature (dynamic OIT) (ISO 11357-6)

EN ISO 12162, Thermoplastics materials for pipes and fittings for pressure applications — Classification, designation and design coefficient (ISO 12162)

EN ISO 13477, Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of resistance to rapid crack propagation (RCP) — Small-scale steady-state test (S4 test) (ISO 13477)

EN ISO 13478, Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of resistance to rapid crack propagation (RCP) — Full-scale test (FST) (ISO 13478)

EN ISO 15512, Plastics — Determination of water content (ISO 15512)

EN ISO 16871, Plastics piping and ducting systems — Plastics pipes and fittings — Method for exposure to direct (natural) weathering (ISO 16871)

ISO 6964, Polyolefin pipes and fittings — Determination of carbon black content by calcination and pyrolysis — Test method

ISO 11413:2019, Plastics pipes and fittings — Preparation of test piece assemblies between a polyethylene (PE) pipe and an electrofusion fitting

ISO 11414:2009, Plastics pipes and fittings — Preparation of polyethylene (PE) pipe/pipe or pipe/fitting test piece assemblies by butt fusion

ISO 13953, Polyethylene (PE) pipes and fittings — Determination of the tensile strength and failure mode of test pieces from a butt-fused joint

ISO 13954, Plastics pipes and fittings — Peel decohesion test for polyethylene (PE) electrofusion assemblies of nominal outside diameter greater than or equal to 90 mm

ISO 13479:2022, Polyolefin pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of resistance to crack propagation — Test method for slow crack growth on notched pipes

ISO 16770, Plastics — Determination of environmental stress cracking (ESC) of polyethylene — Full-notch creep test (FNCT)

ISO 18488, Polyethylene (PE) materials for piping systems — Determination of Strain Hardening Modulus in relation to slow crack growth — Test method

ISO 18489:2015, Polyethylene (PE) materials for piping systems — Determination of resistance to slow crack growth under cyclic loading — Cracked Round Bar test method

ISO 18553, Method for the assessment of the degree of pigment or carbon black dispersion in polyolefin pipes, fittings and compounds

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 472 and EN ISO 1043-1 and the following apply.

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

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

3.1 Terms related to geometry

3.1.1

nominal size

DN/OD

numerical designation of the size of a component related to the outside diameter

Note 1 to entry: It is a convenient round number approximately equal to the manufacturing dimension in millimetres (mm). It is not applicable to components designated by thread size.

3.1.2

nominal outside diameter

 $d_{\mathbf{n}}$

specified outside diameter assigned to a *nominal size* (3.1.1)

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in millimetres (mm).

3.1.3

mean outside diameter

d_{em}

value of the measurement of the outer circumference of the pipe or spigot end of a fitting in any cross-section divided by π (= 3,142), rounded to the next greater 0,1 mm

3.1.4

minimum mean outside diameter

$d_{em,min}$

minimum value for the mean outside diameter (3.1.3) as specified for a given nominal size (3.1.1)

3.1.5

maximum mean outside diameter

d_{em.max}

maximum value for the *mean outside diameter* (3.1.3) as specified for a given *nominal size* (3.1.1)

3.1.6

out-of-roundness

ovality

difference between the maximum outside diameter (3.1.5) and the minimum outside diameter (3.1.4) in the same cross-section of a pipe or spigot

3.1.7

nominal wall thickness

numerical designation of the wall thickness of a component, which is a convenient round number, approximately equal to the manufacturing dimension in millimetres (mm)

Note 1 to entry: For thermoplastics components conforming to the EN 1555 series, the value of the nominal wall thickness, e_n , is identical to the specified minimum wall thickness at any point (3.1.9)

3.1.8

wall thickness at any point

wall thickness at any point around the circumference of a component rounded to the next greater 0,1 mm

Note 1 to entry: The symbol for the wall thickness of a fitting and valve body at any point is E.

3.1.9

minimum wall thickness at any point **Document Preview**

minimum value for the *wall thickness at any point* (3.1.8) around the circumference of a component

3.1.10

mean wall thickness

arithmetical mean of a number of measurements of the wall thickness, regularly spaced around the circumference and in the same cross-section of a component, including the measured minimum and the measured maximum values of the wall thickness in that cross-section

3.1.11

tolerance

permitted variation of the specified value of a quantity, expressed as the difference between the permitted maximum and the permitted minimum values

3.1.12

wall thickness tolerance

permitted difference between the wall thickness at any point (3.1.8) and the nominal wall thickness (3.1.7)

Note 1 to entry: $e_n \le e \le e_n + T_v$

3.1.13

standard dimension ratio

SDR

numerical designation of a *pipe series* (3.1.14), which is a convenient round number, approximately equal to the dimension ratio of the *nominal outside diameter* (3.1.2) and the *nominal wall thickness* (3.1.7)

3.1.14

pipe series

S

number for pipe designation

Note 1 to entry: The relationship between the pipe series, *S*, and the *standard dimension ratio*, SDR (3.1.13) is given by the following formula as specified in ISO 4065 [12]:

$$S = \frac{SDR - 1}{2}$$

3.2 Terms related to material

3.2.1

compound

clearly defined homogenous extruded mixture of *base polymer* (3.2.5) (polyethylene) and additives (i.e. antioxidants, pigments, carbon black, UV-stabilizers and others) at a dosage level necessary for the processing and use of components

3.2.2

virgin material

plastics material in the form of pellets or granules that has not been subjected to use or processing other than that required for its initial manufacture

Note 1 to entry: Does not contain any reworked plastics material and/or plastics recyclate.

[SOURCE: EN 14541-1:2022, 3.1, modified – powder, floc, etc. removed, Note 2 to entry removed and Note 3 to entry removed [4]]

3.2.3

reworked material

plastics material from rejected unused products or trimmings capable of being reclaimed within the same process that generated it

Note 1 to entry: Restrictions for use of reworked material for pipes are specified in EN 1555-2, fittings in EN 1555-3 and for valves in EN 1555-4.

Note 2 to entry: Previously referred to as "own reprocessed material".

[SOURCE: EN 14541-1:2022, 3.2 –Note 1 to entry removed, Note 2 to entry changed [4]]

3.2.4

recyclate

plastics material resulting from the recycling of pre-consumer and post-consumer plastics products

Note 1 to entry: Also referred to as "secondary raw material" or "recycled plastics" or "regenerate".

Note 2 to entry: Recycling can be chemical, physical or mechanical.