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equipment — Wellhead and tree
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*Industries du pétrole et du gaz naturel — Équipement de forage et de
production — Équipement pour têtes de puits et arbres de Noël*

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Foreword

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This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition (ISO 10423:2009), which has been technically revised.

This document supplements API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018).

The technical requirements of this document and API Spec 6A used to be identical. In the meantime API Spec 6A has been technically revised as API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018). The purpose of this edition of ISO 10423 is to bring it up to date, by referencing the current edition of API Spec 6A and including supplementary content.

The main change are as follows:

- full reorganization of the document;
- supplementary requirements for closure bolting, fittings and pressure boundary penetrations, wellhead equipment data sheet, and typical wellhead and tree configurations.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at www.iso.org/members.html.

Introduction

Users of this document are informed that further or differing requirements can be needed for individual applications. This document is not intended to inhibit a vendor from offering, or the purchaser from accepting, alternative equipment or engineering solutions for the individual application. This can be particularly applicable where there is innovative or developing technology. Where an alternative is offered, the vendor needs to identify any variations from this document and provide details.

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Petroleum and natural gas industries — Drilling and production equipment — Wellhead and tree equipment

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and gives recommendations for the performance, dimensional and functional interchangeability, design, materials, testing, inspection, welding, marking, handling, storing, shipment, and purchasing of wellhead and tree equipment for use in the petroleum and natural gas industries.

This document does not apply to field use or field testing.

This document does not apply to repair of wellhead and tree equipment except for weld repair in conjunction with manufacturing.

This document does not apply to tools used for installation and service (e.g. running tools, test tools, wash tools, wear bushings, and lubricators).

This document supplements API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), the requirements of which are applicable with the exceptions specified in this document.

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 Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), *Specification for Wellhead and Tree Equipment*

ISO 13628-4:2010, *Petroleum and natural gas industries — Design and operation of subsea production systems — Part 4: Subsea wellhead and tree equipment*

ISA 75.01.01, *Industrial-process control valves, Part 2-1: Flow capacity – Sizing equations for fluid flow under installed conditions*

ISA 75.02.01, *Control valve capacity test procedure*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018) 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/>

4 Supplements to API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018)

4.1 General requirements

The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018) shall apply, with the additions and exceptions specified in 4.2 to 4.6.

4.2 Closure bolting

The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), 8.1 shall apply with the following additions.

The manufacturer shall install closure bolting in accordance with their documented specifications.

4.3 Fittings and pressure boundary penetrations

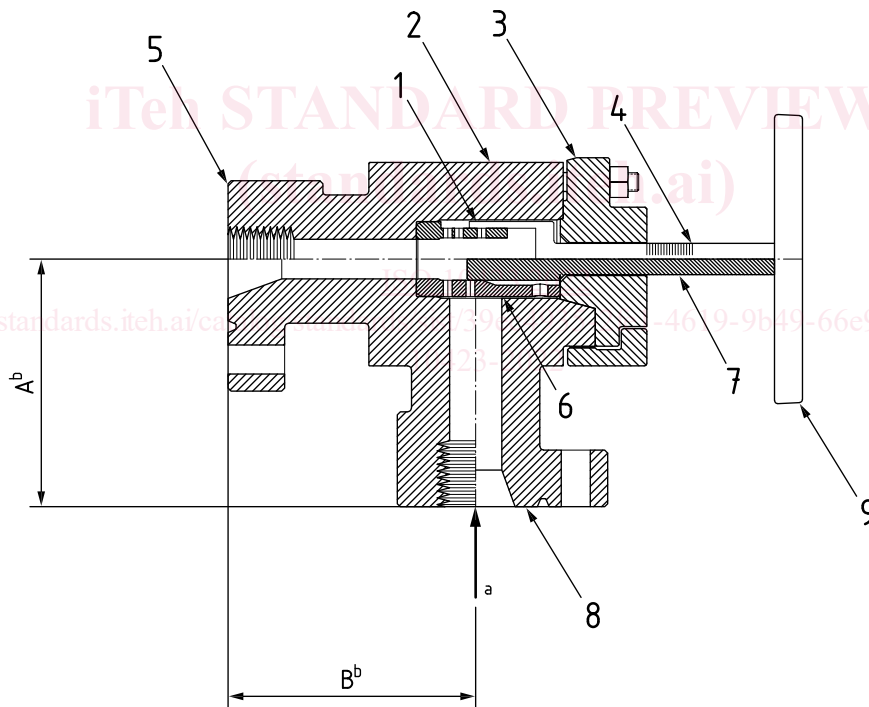
The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), 9.3 shall apply with the following additions.

The manufacturer shall install fittings in test and gauge connector ports in accordance with their documented specifications.

4.4 Chokes

The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), 14.15 shall apply with the following additions.

Figure 1 shows a typical cage choke.



Key

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| 1 | obturator (plug or external sleeve) | 6 | cage |
| 2 | body | 7 | stem |
| 3 | bonnet | 8 | inlet connector |
| 4 | indicating mechanism (type is optional) | 9 | handwheel or lever |
| 5 | outlet connector | | |
| a | Flow direction. | | |
| b | Dimensions A and B are agreed between manufacturer and purchaser and may be specified using API Spec 6A, 21 st edition (2018), Figure B.11. | | |

Figure 1 — Typical cage choke

Referring to 14.15.2.4, for cage chokes type, the manufacturer may alternatively reference the model nominal size and/or the flow capacity instead of the inlet connector size and maximum orifice size. The choke flow capacity shall be determined in accordance with the requirements of ISA 75.01.01 and ISA 75.02.01 for anticipated or actual production flow rate and fluid conditions (pressures and temperature). The purchasing information as provided in ISO 13628-4:2010, Annex M shall be supplied to the choke manufacturer for the sizing of the choke.

NOTE For the purposes of this document, IEC 60534-2-1 is equivalent to ISA 75.01.01, IEC 60534-2-3 is equivalent to ISA 75.02.01 and API Spec 17D, 2nd edition (2011) is equivalent to ISO 13628-4:2010.

Referring to 14.15.2.9, manually actuated cage chokes type can be equipped with a visible linear scale valve opening indicating mechanism to define the orifice area and/or flow capacity at any adjusted choke setting throughout its operating range. This mechanism shall be calibrated to indicate the orifice area and/or flow capacity at any adjustable choke setting.

Referring to 14.15.5, cage chokes may be marked with flow capacity instead of the maximum orifice size.

4.5 Wellhead equipment data sheet – General

The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), Figure B.1 shall apply with the following addition.

Joules-Thomson cooling with gas flowing through chokes and/or partially closed valves can lead to temperatures significantly below the identified minimum ambient temperature and can require a minimum temperature rating of the equipment below the ambient temperature.

4.6 Typical wellhead and tree configurations

The requirements specified in API Spec 6A, 21st edition (2018), B.3 shall apply with the following exceptions.

Figures B.13 and B.14 show typical minimum configurations appropriate for wells with no requirements for additional barriers. Many wells will have additional valves, which are not shown in these figures, to provide barriers for situations, such as equipment failure, sustained casing pressure and/or artificial lift.

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