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1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the calibration of spherical tanks with a radius greater than 1 m by means of external measurements using an electro-optical distance-ranging instrument (EODR). It also specifies the subsequent calculation and the compilation of tank capacity tables.

This document applies to spherical tanks built above ground, that are non-insulated, single-shell and with a radial variation up to 1 %. The method specified in this document can also apply to spherical tanks built above the deck when the carrying ship is in the dock.

This document does not apply to the calibration of spheroidal tanks.

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 4512, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Equipment for measurement of liquid levels in storage tanks — Manual methods*

ISO 7507-1:2003, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Calibration of vertical cylindrical tanks — Part 1: Strapping method*

ISO 7507-4:2010, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Calibration of vertical cylindrical tanks — Part 4: Internal electro-optical distance-ranging method*

ISO 7507-5, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Calibration of vertical cylindrical tanks — Part 5: External electro-optical distance-ranging method*

IEC 60825-1, *Safety of laser products — Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements*

3 Terms and definitions

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3.1 station

position from which measurements of angles and slope distance are made