
**Rubber and plastics hose assemblies —
Flexing combined with hydraulic impulse
test (half-omega test)**

*Flexibles hydrauliques en caoutchouc et en plastique — Essai de flexion
combiné avec des impulsions de pression (essai demi-oméga)*

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Introduction

Hydraulic hose assemblies are frequently flexed in service, especially when used on mobile equipment. This test is designed to accelerate the same type of failure of the test pieces as that which may occur in service.

This International Standard is an alternative method to ISO 6802, which also specifies a method of flexing during impulse testing. ISO 8032 provides a method including more severe bending and higher impulse pressures to accelerate failure results.

NOTE - It shall be clearly understood that this test method uses pressure and bend radius conditions considerably more severe than those specified in the hose product specifications and does not imply that the assemblies may be used in service under these conditions.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method of flexing, in an arrangement known as a ‘half-omega’, hydraulic hose assemblies during impulse testing.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 6802 : 1991, Rubber and plastics hose and hose assemblies with wire reinforcements - Hydraulic impulse test with flexing.

ISO 6803 : 1994, Rubber or plastics hoses and hose assemblies - Hydraulic-pressure impulse test without flexing.

3 Apparatus and materials

3.1 **Flex test rig**, on which the test pieces can be installed, capable of producing flexing as shown in figure 1, according to the test parameters specified in clause 5.

The test rig comprises a manifold mounted on a revolving arm, and a stationary manifold.

The manifold on the revolving arm is geared so that it stays perpendicular to the stationary manifold at all times (see figure 1).