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# Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Test method to prove the resistance to initial ring deflection

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for testing the ability of glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes to withstand specified levels of initial ring deflection without displaying surface damage and/or structural failure.

## 2 Definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the following definitions apply:

**2.1 vertical deflection ( $y$ ):** The vertical change in diameter of a pipe in a horizontal position in response to a vertical compressive load (see 7.3).

It is expressed in metres.

**2.2 relative vertical deflection ( $y/d_m$ ):** The ratio of the vertical deflection  $y$  (see 2.1) to the mean diameter of the pipe  $d_m$  (see 2.3).

**2.3 mean diameter ( $d_m$ ):** The diameter of the circle corresponding with the middle of the pipe wall cross section.

It is given, in metres, by either of the following equations:

$$d_m = d_i + e$$

$$d_m = d_e - e$$

where:

$d_i$  is the average of the measured internal diameters (see 5.3.2),  
in metres;

$d_e$  is the average of the measured external diameters (see 5.3.2),  
in metres;

$e$  is the average of the measured wall thicknesses of the pipe  
(see 5.3.1), in metres.

**2.4 visual evidence of structural failure:** Unless otherwise specified by the referring standard, a failure apparent in any of the following forms (see 7.3):

- interlaminar separation;
- tensile failure of the glass fibre reinforcement;
- buckling of the pipe wall;
- if applicable, separation of the thermoplastic liner from the structural wall.