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Part 1: Pressure regulators and pressure regulators  
with flow-metering devices

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8.3	13.6 b)	
8.4	9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 13.1, 13.6 c), 13.6 d)	

**WARNING:** Other requirements and other EU Directives may be applicable to the products falling within the scope of this standard.

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## Foreword

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ISO 10524-1 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 121, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment*, Subcommittee SC 6, *Medical gas systems*.

This first edition cancels and replaces ISO 10524:1995 and ISO 10524:1995/Cor 1:1996, which has been technically revised.

ISO 10524 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Pressure regulators for use with medical gases*:

- *Part 1: Pressure regulators and pressure regulators with flow-metering devices*
- *Part 2: Manifold and line pressure regulators*
- *Part 3: Pressure regulators integrated with cylinder valves*
- *Part 4: Low-pressure regulators*

For the purposes of this part of ISO 10524, the CEN annex regarding fulfilment of European Council Directives has been removed.

## Introduction

A pressure regulator is used to reduce high cylinder pressure to a lower pressure suitable for use with medical equipment or for delivery of gas directly to a patient.

These functions cover a wide range of inlet and outlet pressures and flows which require specific design characteristics. It is important that the operating characteristics of the pressure regulators are specified and tested in a defined manner.

A pressure regulator often has coupled to it a device which controls the flow, such as a flow control valve or a fixed orifice. The flow can be indicated by a flowmeter or by a flowgauge.

It is essential that regular inspection and maintenance are undertaken to ensure that pressure regulators continue to meet the requirements of this part of ISO 10524.

This part of ISO 10524 pays particular attention to:

- use of suitable materials;
- safety (mechanical strength, leakage, safe relief of excess pressure and resistance to ignition);
- gas specificity;
- cleanliness;
- type testing;
- marking;
- information supplied by the manufacturer.

Annex B contains rationale statements for some of the requirements of this part of ISO 10524. The clauses and subclauses marked with an asterisk (\*) after their number have corresponding rationale, contained in Annex B, included to provide additional insight into the reasoning that led to the requirements and recommendations that have been incorporated in this part of ISO 10524. It is considered that knowledge of the reasons for the requirements will not only facilitate the proper application of this part of ISO 10524, but will expedite any subsequent revisions.

# Pressure regulators for use with medical gases —

## Part 1:

# Pressure regulators and pressure regulators with flow-metering devices

## 1 Scope

**1.1** This part of ISO 10524 is applicable to the types of pressure regulators listed in 1.3 intended for the administration of the following medical gases in the treatment, management, diagnostic evaluation and care of patients:

- oxygen;
- nitrous oxide;
- air for breathing;
- helium;
- carbon dioxide;
- xenon;
- mixtures of the gases listed above;
- air for driving surgical tools;
- nitrogen for driving surgical tools.

**1.2\*** These pressure regulators are intended to be fitted to cylinders with nominal filling pressures up to 25 000 kPa at 15 °C and can be provided with devices which control and measure the flow of the medical gas delivered.

**1.3** The types of pressure regulators covered by this part of ISO 10524 are as follows:

- a) pressure regulators intended to be connected to cylinders by the operator;
- b) pressure regulators with integral flow-metering devices intended to be connected to cylinders by the operator;
- c) pressure regulators that are an integral part of medical equipment (e.g. anaesthetic workstations, lung ventilators, resuscitators).

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 32:1977, *Gas cylinders for medical use — Marking for identification of content*

ISO 407:2004, *Small medical gas cylinders — Pin-index, yoke-type valve connections*

ISO 5145:2004, *Cylinder valve outlets for gases and gas mixtures — Selection and dimensioning*

ISO 5359:2000, *Low-pressure hose assemblies for use with medical gases*

ISO 9170-1:1999, *Terminal units for medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Terminal units for use with compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 14971:2000, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices*

ISO 15001:2003, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Compatibility with oxygen*

EN 837-1:1996, *Pressure gauges — Part 1: Bourdon tube pressure gauges — Dimensions, metrology, requirements and testing*

EN 13544-2:2002, *Respiratory therapy equipment — Part 2: Tubing and connectors*

SS 01 91 02, *Colour Atlas*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1

#### **accuracy of flow**

difference between the indicated value and the actual value of the flow expressed in percent

### 3.2

#### **adjustable pressure regulator**

pressure regulator that is provided with a means of operator adjustment of the outlet pressure

### 3.3

#### **flow outlet**

outlet intended to deliver a controlled flow of gas

### 3.4

#### **flowgauge**

device that measures pressure and that is calibrated in units of flow

NOTE The flowgauge does not measure flow. It indicates flow by measuring the pressure upstream of a fixed orifice.

### 3.5

#### **flowmeter**

device that measures and indicates the flow of a specific gas or gas mixture

### 3.6

#### **gas-specific connection point**

that part of the terminal unit that is the receptor for a gas-specific probe