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Examination for loss of thickness due to erosion and/or  
corrosion using the TOFD technique

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies the application of the time-of-flight diffraction (TOFD) technique in testing of metals for quantifying loss of thickness due to erosion and/or corrosion.

This document applies to all types of corrosion and/or erosion damage, particularly those defined in EN ISO 16809.

This document applies to unalloyed or low-alloyed steels.

It applies to components with a nominal thickness  $\geq 6$  mm. For smaller thicknesses, feasibility tests are performed to validate the test technique.

For other materials, feasibility tests are essential, too.

The TOFD technique can be used as a stand-alone technique or in combination with other non-destructive testing techniques, for in-service testing, in order to detect material loss caused by erosion and/or corrosion.

This technique is based on analysis of TOFD images using reflected and/or diffracted ultrasonic signals.

This document does not specify acceptance levels.

## 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.

EN ISO 5577, *Non-destructive testing — Ultrasonic testing — Vocabulary (ISO 5577)*

EN ISO 9712, *Non-destructive testing — Qualification and certification of NDT personnel (ISO 9712)*

EN ISO 10863:2020, *Non-destructive testing of welds — Ultrasonic testing — Use of time-of-flight diffraction technique (TOFD) (ISO 10863:2020)*

EN ISO 16828:2014, *Non-destructive testing — Ultrasonic testing — Time-of-flight diffraction technique as a method for detection and sizing of discontinuities (ISO 16828:2012)*

EN ISO 17659, *Welding — Multilingual terms for welded joints with illustrations (ISO 17659)*

EN ISO 22232-1, *Non-destructive testing — Characterization and verification of ultrasonic test equipment — Part 1: Instruments (ISO 22232-1)*

EN ISO 22232-2, *Non-destructive testing — Characterization and verification of ultrasonic test equipment — Part 2: Probes (ISO 22232-2)*

EN ISO 22232-3, *Non-destructive testing — Characterization and verification of ultrasonic test equipment — Part 3: Combined equipment (ISO 22232-3)*