
**Safety and control devices for gas
burners and gas-burning appliances —
Particular requirements —**

**Part 6:
Thermoelectric flame supervision
controls**

*Dispositifs de commande et de sécurité pour brûleurs à gaz et
appareils à gaz — Exigences particulières —*

Partie 6: Équipements thermoélectriques de surveillance de flamme

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- updated to align technically and with the revised format of the latest edition of ISO 23550;
- relocation of specific regional requirements into the main body of the standard that were previously contained in regional annexes.

A list of all parts in the ISO 23551 series can be found on the ISO website.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at www.iso.org/members.html.

Introduction

This document is designed to be used in combination with ISO 23550. Together with ISO 23550, this document establishes the full requirements as they apply to the product covered by this document.

Where needed, this document adapts ISO 23550 by stating in the corresponding clause:

- “with the following modification”;
- “with the following addition”;
- “is replaced by the following”; or
- “is not applicable”.

In order to identify specific requirements that are particular to this document, and that are not already covered by ISO 23550, this document can contain clauses or subclauses that are additional to the structure of ISO 23550. These subclauses are indicated by the introductory sentence: “Subclause (or Annex) specific to this document.”

To ensure global relevance of this document, the differing requirements resulting from practical experience and installation practices in various regions of the world have been taken into account. The variations in basic infrastructure associated with gas and/or oil controls and appliances have also been recognized, some of which are addressed in [Annexes F, G](#) and [H](#). This document intends to provide a basic framework of requirements that recognize these differences.

Safety and control devices for gas burners and gas-burning appliances — Particular requirements —

Part 6: Thermoelectric flame supervision controls

1 Scope

This document specifies safety, constructional, and performance and testing requirements for thermoelectric flame supervision controls, energized by a thermocouple, intended for use with gas burners and gas-burning appliances, hereafter referred to as “controls”.

This document applies to thermoelectric flame supervision controls for gas burners and gas-burning appliances of nominal connection size up to, and including DN 50, that can be used and tested independently of these appliances.

These thermoelectric flame supervision controls are suitable for fuel gases, such as natural gas, manufactured gas or liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) at inlet pressures up to and including 50 kPa. It is not applicable to corrosive and waste gases.

This document covers type testing only.

This document is not applicable to:

- a) the thermocouple; and
- b) controls which use auxiliary energy (e.g. electrical energy supplied externally).

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 23550:2018, *Safety and control devices for gas and/or oil burners and appliances — General requirements*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 23550 and the following apply.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

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thermocouple

thermoelectric flame sensing element that responds to the temperature of the supervised flame, resulting in an electromotive force (e.m.f.)