

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

NORME INTERNATIONALE

**Industrial-process control valves –
Part 4: Inspection and routine testing**

**Vannes de régulation des processus industriels –
Partie 4: Inspection et essais individuels de série**



THIS PUBLICATION IS COPYRIGHT PROTECTED

Copyright © 2021 IEC, Geneva, Switzerland

All rights reserved. Unless otherwise specified, no part of this publication may be reproduced or utilized in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying and microfilm, without permission in writing from either IEC or IEC's member National Committee in the country of the requester. If you have any questions about IEC copyright or have an enquiry about obtaining additional rights to this publication, please contact the address below or your local IEC member National Committee for further information.

Droits de reproduction réservés. Sauf indication contraire, aucune partie de cette publication ne peut être reproduite ni utilisée sous quelque forme que ce soit et par aucun procédé, électronique ou mécanique, y compris la photocopie et les microfilms, sans l'accord écrit de l'IEC ou du Comité national de l'IEC du pays du demandeur. Si vous avez des questions sur le copyright de l'IEC ou si vous désirez obtenir des droits supplémentaires sur cette publication, utilisez les coordonnées ci-après ou contactez le Comité national de l'IEC de votre pays de résidence.

IEC Central Office
3, rue de Varembe
CH-1211 Geneva 20
Switzerland

Tel.: +41 22 919 02 11
info@iec.ch
www.iec.ch

About the IEC

The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is the leading global organization that prepares and publishes International Standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.

About IEC publications

The technical content of IEC publications is kept under constant review by the IEC. Please make sure that you have the latest edition, a corrigendum or an amendment might have been published.

IEC publications search - webstore.iec.ch/advsearchform

The advanced search enables to find IEC publications by a variety of criteria (reference number, text, technical committee, ...). It also gives information on projects, replaced and withdrawn publications.

IEC Just Published - webstore.iec.ch/justpublished

Stay up to date on all new IEC publications. Just Published details all new publications released. Available online and once a month by email.

IEC Customer Service Centre - webstore.iec.ch/csc

If you wish to give us your feedback on this publication or need further assistance, please contact the Customer Service Centre: sales@iec.ch.

IEC online collection - oc.iec.ch

Discover our powerful search engine and read freely all the publications previews. With a subscription you will always have access to up to date content tailored to your needs.

Electropedia - www.electropedia.org

The world's leading online dictionary on electrotechnology, containing more than 22 000 terminological entries in English and French, with equivalent terms in 18 additional languages. Also known as the International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) online.

A propos de l'IEC

La Commission Electrotechnique Internationale (IEC) est la première organisation mondiale qui élabore et publie des Normes internationales pour tout ce qui a trait à l'électricité, à l'électronique et aux technologies apparentées.

A propos des publications IEC

Le contenu technique des publications IEC est constamment revu. Veuillez vous assurer que vous possédez l'édition la plus récente, un corrigendum ou amendement peut avoir été publié.

Recherche de publications IEC -

webstore.iec.ch/advsearchform

La recherche avancée permet de trouver des publications IEC en utilisant différents critères (numéro de référence, texte, comité d'études, ...). Elle donne aussi des informations sur les projets et les publications remplacées ou retirées.

IEC Just Published - webstore.iec.ch/justpublished

Restez informé sur les nouvelles publications IEC. Just Published détaille les nouvelles publications parues. Disponible en ligne et une fois par mois par email.

Service Clients - webstore.iec.ch/csc

Si vous désirez nous donner des commentaires sur cette publication ou si vous avez des questions contactez-nous: sales@iec.ch.

IEC online collection - oc.iec.ch

Découvrez notre puissant moteur de recherche et consultez gratuitement tous les aperçus des publications. Avec un abonnement, vous aurez toujours accès à un contenu à jour adapté à vos besoins.

Electropedia - www.electropedia.org

Le premier dictionnaire d'électrotechnologie en ligne au monde, avec plus de 22 000 articles terminologiques en anglais et en français, ainsi que les termes équivalents dans 16 langues additionnelles. Egalement appelé Vocabulaire Electrotechnique International (IEV) en ligne.

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD

NORME INTERNATIONALE

**Industrial-process control valves –
Part 4: Inspection and routine testing**

**Vannes de régulation des processus industriels –
Partie 4: Inspection et essais individuels de série**

INTERNATIONAL
ELECTROTECHNICAL
COMMISSION

COMMISSION
ELECTROTECHNIQUE
INTERNATIONALE

ICS 23.060

ISBN 978-2-8322-1059-3

Warning! Make sure that you obtained this publication from an authorized distributor. Attention! Veuillez vous assurer que vous avez obtenu cette publication via un distributeur agréé.
--

CONTENTS

FOREWORD	4
1 Scope	6
2 Normative references	6
3 Terms and definitions	6
4 Requirements	8
4.1 General	8
4.2 Hydrostatic test	9
4.3 Seat leakage test	9
4.4 Packing test	10
4.5 Rated valve travel test	10
4.6 Dead band tests	10
4.7 Additional tests	10
5 Tests procedures	10
5.1 Measuring instruments	10
5.1.1 General	10
5.1.2 Pressure measuring instruments	10
5.1.3 Flow measuring instruments	10
5.1.4 Travel measuring instruments	10
5.1.5 Calibration	11
5.2 Test medium	11
5.3 Test fixtures	11
5.4 Hydrostatic test	11
5.5 Seat leak test	11
5.5.1 Test medium	11
5.5.2 Actuator adjustments	12
5.5.3 Test procedure	12
5.5.4 Leakage specifications	12
5.6 Packing test	14
5.6.1 General	14
5.6.2 Procedure A	14
5.6.3 Procedure B	15
5.7 Rated valve travel test	15
5.7.1 General	15
5.7.2 Control valves with positioners	15
5.7.3 Control valves with spring-opposed actuators without positioners	16
5.7.4 Control valves with double-acting actuators without positioners	16
5.8 Dead band tests	16
5.8.1 General	16
5.8.2 Test equipment	16
5.8.3 Test procedure	16
5.8.4 Acceptance criteria	17
5.9 Stroking time test	17
5.9.1 General	17
5.9.2 Test equipment	18
5.9.3 Test procedures	18
Annex A (informative) Example calculations of seat leakage	19

A.1	General.....	19
A.1.1	Overview	19
A.1.2	Valve description	19
A.1.3	Test differential pressures	19
A.1.4	Calculation of rated valve capacity.....	19
A.1.5	Calculated maximum allowable seat leakages	22
A.2	General.....	22
A.2.1	Overview	22
A.2.2	Valve description	22
A.2.3	Test differential pressure	22
A.2.4	Calculation of class VI maximum allowable seat leakage	23
Annex B (informative) Inspection and routine testing checklist (per IEC 60534-4)		24
Bibliography.....		25
Figure 1 – Hysteresis and dead band.....		7
Table 1 – Tests.....		9
Table 2 – Maximum seat leakage for each leakage class		13
Table 3 – Maximum recommended values of dead band		17
Table A.1 – Maximum seat leakage for each leakage class.....		22

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

INDUSTRIAL-PROCESS CONTROL VALVES –**Part 4: Inspection and routine testing****FOREWORD**

- 1) The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is a worldwide organization for standardization comprising all national electrotechnical committees (IEC National Committees). The object of IEC is to promote international co-operation on all questions concerning standardization in the electrical and electronic fields. To this end and in addition to other activities, IEC publishes International Standards, Technical Specifications, Technical Reports, Publicly Available Specifications (PAS) and Guides (hereafter referred to as "IEC Publication(s)"). Their preparation is entrusted to technical committees; any IEC National Committee interested in the subject dealt with may participate in this preparatory work. International, governmental and non-governmental organizations liaising with the IEC also participate in this preparation. IEC collaborates closely with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in accordance with conditions determined by agreement between the two organizations.
- 2) The formal decisions or agreements of IEC on technical matters express, as nearly as possible, an international consensus of opinion on the relevant subjects since each technical committee has representation from all interested IEC National Committees.
- 3) IEC Publications have the form of recommendations for international use and are accepted by IEC National Committees in that sense. While all reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the technical content of IEC Publications is accurate, IEC cannot be held responsible for the way in which they are used or for any misinterpretation by any end user.
- 4) In order to promote international uniformity, IEC National Committees undertake to apply IEC Publications transparently to the maximum extent possible in their national and regional publications. Any divergence between any IEC Publication and the corresponding national or regional publication shall be clearly indicated in the latter.
- 5) IEC itself does not provide any attestation of conformity. Independent certification bodies provide conformity assessment services and, in some areas, access to IEC marks of conformity. IEC is not responsible for any services carried out by independent certification bodies.
- 6) All users should ensure that they have the latest edition of this publication.
- 7) No liability shall attach to IEC or its directors, employees, servants or agents including individual experts and members of its technical committees and IEC National Committees for any personal injury, property damage or other damage of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, or for costs (including legal fees) and expenses arising out of the publication, use of, or reliance upon, this IEC Publication or any other IEC Publications.
- 8) Attention is drawn to the Normative references cited in this publication. Use of the referenced publications is indispensable for the correct application of this publication.
- 9) Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this IEC Publication may be the subject of patent rights. IEC shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

IEC 60534-4 has been prepared by subcommittee 65B: Measurement and control devices, of IEC technical committee 65: Industrial-process measurement, control and automation. It is an International Standard.

This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition published in 2006. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) remove details about hydrostatic test but state that to be performed according to valve design code;
- b) include mandatory test for valve packing;
- c) put in evidence limits of reduced differential pressure seat leakage test procedure;
- d) introduce details about low temperature seat leakage test;
- e) extend dimensional range for leakage class VI to less than 25 mm and over 400 mm seat diameter;

f) include stroking time tests.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

Draft	Report on voting
65B/1208/FDIS	65B/1211/RVD

Full information on the voting for its approval can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

The language used for the development of this International Standard is English.

This document was drafted in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, and developed in accordance with ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1 and ISO/IEC Directives, IEC Supplement, available at www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs. The main document types developed by IEC are described in greater detail at www.iec.ch/standardsdev/publications.

A list of all parts in the IEC 60534 series, published under the general title *Industrial-process control valves*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this document will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under webstore.iec.ch in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

INDUSTRIAL-PROCESS CONTROL VALVES –

Part 4: Inspection and routine testing

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60534 specifies the requirements for the inspection and routine testing of control valves manufactured in conformity with the other parts of IEC 60534.

This document is applicable to valves with pressure ratings not exceeding Class 2500. The requirements for actuators apply only to pneumatic actuators.

This document does not apply to the types of control valves where radioactive service, fire safety testing, or other hazardous service conditions are encountered. If a standard for hazardous service conflicts with the requirements of this document, the standard for hazardous service should take precedence.

NOTE This document can be extended to higher pressure ratings by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

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.

IEC 60534 (all parts), *Industrial-process control valves*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in the IEC 60534 series and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

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

3.1

bench range

range of pressures to the actuator within which the nominal travel is performed in both directions, with no pressure in the valve, but including friction forces

Note 1 to entry: The actuator operating range, i.e. when the valve is installed under actual process conditions, will be different from the bench range.

3.2

dead band

finite range of values within which reversal of the input variable does not produce any noticeable change in the output variable (see Figure 1)