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de la résistance à la propagation de la fissure — Méthode d'essai de la
propagation lente de la fissure d'un tube entaillé (essai d'entaille)*



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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 13479:2009), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- warnings have been added to follow the method of test piece preparation and the test procedure because of the influence on the result;
- a maximum notch radius has been specified;
- in case of premature failure, alternative test pressures and times for PE 80 and PE 100 have been added to allow retesting at a lower pressure for a longer time;
- an accelerated method by testing with an external detergent has been added.

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Polyolefin pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of resistance to crack propagation — Test method for slow crack growth on notched pipes

1 Scope

This document specifies a test method for determining the resistance to slow crack growth of polyolefin pipes, expressed in terms of time to failure in a hydrostatic pressure test on a pipe with machined longitudinal notches in the outside surface. The test is applicable to pipes of wall thickness greater than 5 mm.

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 161-1, *Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Nominal outside diameters and nominal pressures — Part 1: Metric series*

ISO 1167-1, *Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of the resistance to internal pressure — Part 1: General method*

ISO 1167-2, *Thermoplastics pipes, fittings and assemblies for the conveyance of fluids — Determination of the resistance to internal pressure — Part 2: Preparation of pipe test pieces*

ISO 3126, *Plastics piping systems — Plastics components — Determination of dimensions*

ISO 11922-1, *Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Dimensions and tolerances — Part 1: Metric series*

ISO 15510, *Stainless steels — Chemical composition*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 161-1 and ISO 11922-1 and the following apply.

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

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

3.1 Terms related to geometrical dimensions

3.1.1

nominal outside diameter

d_n

specified outside diameter assigned to a nominal size DN/OD

Note 1 to entry: Nominal outside diameter is expressed in millimetres.