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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a full-scale method of test for determination of arrest or propagation of a crack initiated in a thermoplastics pipe at a specified temperature and internal pressure.

It is applicable to the assessment of the performance of thermoplastics pipes intended for the supply of gases or liquids, in the latter case when air may also be present in the pipe.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1167:1996, *Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Resistance to internal pressure — Test method*.

ISO 3126:1974, *Plastics pipes — Measurement of dimensions*.

ISO 11922-1:1997, *Thermoplastics pipes for the conveyance of fluids — Dimensions and tolerances — Part 1: Metric series*.

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the definitions given in ISO 11922-1 apply.

4 Principle

A thermoplastics pipe, maintained at a specified temperature and containing a fluid at a specified test pressure, is subjected to an impact designed to initiate a crack.