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**Petroleum and liquid petroleum products —  
Measurement of level and temperature in  
storage tanks by automatic methods —**

Part 4:  
**Measurement of temperature in  
atmospheric tanks**

*Pétrole et produits pétroliers liquides — Mesurage du niveau et de la  
température dans les réservoirs de stockage par méthodes automatiques —*

*Partie 4: Mesurage de la température dans les réservoirs à pression  
atmosphérique*



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## Foreword

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Draft International Standards adopted by the technical committees are circulated to the member bodies for voting. Publication as an International Standard requires approval by at least 75 % of the member bodies casting a vote.

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International Standard ISO 4266-4 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 28, *Petroleum products and lubricants*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Static petroleum measurement*.

ISO 4266-4, together with ISO 4266-1 to ISO 4266-3 and ISO 4266-5 and ISO 4266-6, cancels and replaces ISO 4266:1994, which has been technically revised.

ISO 4266 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Measurement of level and temperature in storage tanks by automatic methods*:

- *Part 1: Measurement of level in atmospheric tanks*
- *Part 2: Measurement of level in marine vessels*
- *Part 3: Measurement of level in pressurized storage tanks (non-refrigerated)*
- *Part 4: Measurement of temperature in atmospheric tanks*
- *Part 5: Measurement of temperature in marine vessels*
- *Part 6: Measurement of temperature in pressurized storage tanks (non-refrigerated)*

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# Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Measurement of level and temperature in storage tanks by automatic methods —

## Part 4:

## Measurement of temperature in atmospheric tanks

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 4266 gives guidance on the selection, accuracy, installation, commissioning, calibration and verification of automatic tank thermometers (ATTs) in fiscal/custody transfer applications in which the ATT is used for measuring the temperature of petroleum and liquid petroleum products having a Reid vapour pressure less than 100 kPa, stored in atmospheric storage tanks.

This part of ISO 4266 is not applicable to the measurement of temperature in caverns or in refrigerated storage tanks.

### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 4266. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 4266 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1998 (all parts), *Petroleum industry — Terminology*

ISO 4266-1:2002, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Measurement of level and temperature in storage tanks by automatic methods — Part 1: Measurement of level in atmospheric tanks*

ISO 4268:2000, *Petroleum and liquid petroleum products — Temperature measurements — Manual methods*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 4266, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1998, and the following, apply.

#### 3.1

##### **automatic tank thermometer**

##### **ATT**

instrument that continuously measures temperature in storage tanks

NOTE An ATT, which may also be known as an automatic tank temperature system, typically includes precision temperature sensors, field-mounted transmitters for electronic signal transmission, and receiving/readout device(s).

#### 3.2

##### **resistance temperature detector**

##### **RTD**

electrical temperature-sensing element in common use to measure the temperature of the contents of a storage tank