
Plastics piping systems — Mechanical joints between fittings and pressure pipes — Test method for leaktightness under internal pressure of assemblies subjected to bending

Systèmes de canalisations en plastique — Assemblages mécaniques entre raccords et tubes sous pression — Méthode d'essai pour l'étanchéité sous pression interne de montages soumis à une courbure

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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 3503:1976) which has been technically revised. The reason for modification is for applicability to other plastics materials, other sizes, and/or other test conditions and alignment with texts of other International Standards on test methods.

The modifications are the following:

- no material is mentioned;
- test parameters are omitted, although the original test parameters can be found in [Annex A](#);
- the diameter limit is removed;
- no requirements are given;
- editorial changes have been introduced.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for checking the leaktightness under internal pressure of assembled joints between mechanical fittings and plastic pressure pipes when subjected to bending. It defines the calculation method for the average bending radius and how to perform this bending.

Checking of the leaktightness under internal pressure is carried out in accordance with the method given in ISO 3458.

This test method is not applicable to fusion-welded joints.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3458, *Plastics piping systems — Mechanical joints between fittings and pressure pipes — Test method for leaktightness under internal pressure*

3 Principle

Checking of the leaktightness of joints of an assembly, containing one test fitting, to which a bending force is applied throughout its free length (L) under internal pressure.

This bending has an average radius calculated from the pipe nominal diameter and pressure.

4 Test parameters and requirements

The test parameters of the standard which refers to this test standard shall be used and the requirements shall be fulfilled. If one or more parameters are not given in the referring International Standard, the ones given in [Annex A](#) shall apply.

The following test parameters should be given by the standard which refers to this test standard:

- a) test medium;
- b) test pressure (bar or MPa);
- c) test duration (h);