
**Containers and accessories for
pharmaceutical preparations —**

**Part 1:
Drop-dispensing glass bottles**

*Réipients et accessoires pour préparations pharmaceutiques —
Partie 1: Flacons compte-gouttes en verre*

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Foreword

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 76, *Transfusion, infusion and injection, and blood processing equipment for medical and pharmaceutical use*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 11418-1:2005), which has been technically revised by

- updating [Figure 1](#) on typical drop-dispensing glass bottle and [Table 1](#) on nominal volume, brimful capacity and dimensions of drop-dispensing glass bottles,
- deleting the sizes 25 ml and 75 ml in [Table 1](#), and
- editorially revising this document.

A list of all the parts of ISO 11418 can be found on the ISO website.

Containers and accessories for pharmaceutical preparations —

Part 1: Drop-dispensing glass bottles

1 Scope

This document specifies the design, dimensions, material and requirements of drop-dispensing glass bottles. Drop-dispensing glass bottles are applicable to primary packs used in direct contact with a drug.

This document is applicable to drop-dispensing glass bottles used in pharmacy. Together with the corresponding closure systems, they serve for packaging of pharmaceutical preparations which are not intended for parenteral use.

NOTE The potency, purity, stability and safety of a drug during its manufacture and storage can be strongly affected by the nature and performance of the primary pack.

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 719, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 98 degrees C — Method of test and classification*

ISO 720, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 121 degrees C — Method of test and classification*

ISO 1101, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Geometrical tolerancing — Tolerances of form, orientation, location and run-out*

ISO 4802-1, *Glassware — Hydrolytic resistance of the interior surfaces of glass containers — Part 1: Determination by titration method and classification*

ISO 4802-2, *Glassware — Hydrolytic resistance of the interior surfaces of glass containers — Part 2: Determination by flame spectrometry and classification*

ISO 7459, *Glass containers — Thermal shock resistance and thermal shock endurance — Test methods*

ISO 8113, *Glass containers — Resistance to vertical load — Test method*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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>

4 Dimensions and designation

4.1 Dimensions

The dimensions of drop-dispensing glass bottles shall be as shown in [Figure 1](#) and as given in [Table 1](#).

Tolerancing of form, orientation, location and run-out not specified in this document shall be in accordance with ISO 1101.

4.2 Designation

Drop-dispensing glass bottles for pharmaceutical use shall be designated by a reference to this document, followed by the nominal volume and the colour of the glass.

EXAMPLE A drop-dispensing glass bottle of nominal volume 100 ml, made of colourless glass (cl) of hydrolytic resistance container class ISO 4802-HC 3, in accordance with this document is designated as follows:

Drop-dispensing glass bottle ISO 11418-1 - 100 - cl

5 Requirements

5.1 Material

The material shall be colourless (cl) or amber (br) borosilicate glass (see ISO 4802-1 or ISO 4802-2) or soda-lime-silica glass (see ISO 4802-1 or ISO 4802-2) of hydrolytic resistance grain class ISO 719-HGB 3 or ISO 720-HGA 2.

5.2 Performance

5.2.1 Vertical load resistance

The resistance to vertical load shall be in accordance with ISO 8113.

5.2.2 Hydrolytic resistance

When tested in accordance with ISO 4802-1 and ISO 4802-2, the hydrolytic resistance of the internal surface of the drop-dispensing glass bottle shall comply with the requirements of the hydrolytic resistance container class ISO 4802-HC 3.

5.2.3 Thermal shock resistance

Drop-dispensing glass bottles shall withstand the thermal shock of a temperature difference of 42 °C when tested in accordance with the thermal shock resistance test specified in ISO 7459.

6 Marking

The drop-dispensing glass bottle shall be marked with the information specified in [Figure 1](#).

Table 1 — Nominal volume, brimful capacity and dimensions of drop-dispensing glass bottles

Dimensions in millimetres

| Nominal volume ml | Minimum brimful capacity ml | <i>a</i> | <i>d</i> ₁ | | <i>h</i> ₁ | | <i>h</i> ₂ | <i>h</i> ₃ | <i>h</i> ₄ | <i>r</i> ₁ | <i>r</i> ₂ | <i>r</i> ₄ | <i>t</i> | Mass g |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|------|-----------------------|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | nom. | tol. | nom. | tol. | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 7 | 0,80 | 22,5 | ±0,5 | 53,2 | ±0,6 | 37,8 | 34,1 | 45,5 | 1,5 | 2,5 | 1,5 | 1,5 | 27 |
| 10 | 14 | 0,85 | 25,0 | ±0,5 | 60,7 | ±0,8 | 45,2 | 37,5 | 54,0 | 3,0 | 7,1 | 2,0 | 1,5 | 28 |
| 15 | 20 | 1,00 | 28,5 | ±0,5 | 65,2 | ±0,9 | 49,5 | 39,5 | 58,5 | 3,0 | 8,0 | 2,0 | 2,0 | 33 |
| 20 | 25 | 1,00 | 29,5 | ±0,6 | 72,2 | ±0,9 | 56,5 | 46,0 | 65,5 | 4,0 | 8,0 | 2,0 | 1,5 | 38 |
| 30 | 36 | 1,05 | 33,0 | ±0,5 | 80,2 | ±1,0 | 64,5 | 52,5 | 72,0 | 4,0 | 9,0 | 2,5 | 2,0 | 45 |
| 50 | 58 | 1,20 | 38,0 | ±0,6 | 91,7 | ±1,0 | 76,0 | 60,0 | 84,0 | 5,0 | 12,0 | 2,5 | 2,0 | 65 |
| 100 | 110 | 1,50 | 47,0 | ±0,6 | 110,7 | ±1,1 | 95,0 | 75,0 | 103,4 | 5,0 | 14,0 | 3,0 | 2,0 | 108 |

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