
Plastics piping systems for pressure and non-pressure water supply, drainage or sewerage — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) systems based on unsaturated polyester (UP) resin

Systèmes de canalisations en matières plastiques pour l'alimentation en eau, les branchements et les collecteurs d'assainissement avec ou sans pression — Systèmes en plastiques thermodurcissables renforcés de verre (PRV) à base de résine de polyester non saturé (UP)

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Foreword

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This first edition cancels and replaces ISO 10639:2017 (second edition) and ISO 10467:2018 (second edition), which have been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous editions are as follows:

- documents combined;
- editorial changes throughout.

Any feedback or questions on this document should be directed to the user's national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at www.iso.org/members.html.

Introduction

This document has been produced by merging ISO 10639, ISO 10467, EN 1796 and EN 14364. As these standards were almost identical, apart from the requirements for chemical resistance of sewer pipes on the one hand, and no negative impact on water quality of drinking water pipes on the other hand, it was decided that it would be beneficial for users to be able to refer to a single document, irrespective of application or region.

The content of this document is summarized as follows:

[Clause 4](#) specifies the general aspects of GRP UP piping systems.

[Clause 5](#) specifies the characteristics of pipes made from GRP UP with or without aggregates and/or fillers. The pipes can have a thermoplastics or thermosetting resin liner. [Clause 5](#) also specifies the test parameters for the test methods referred to in this document. For pipes intended for sewer applications, the resistance to chemical attack is stated in [5.4](#). For other applications, the requirements in [5.3.4](#) apply.

[Clause 6](#) specifies the characteristics of fittings made from GRP UP, with or without a thermoplastics or thermosetting resin liner. [Clause 6](#) specifies the dimensional and performance requirements for bends, branches, reducers, saddles and flanged adaptors. [Clause 6](#) covers requirements to prove the structural design of fittings. It is applicable to fittings made using any of the following techniques:

- fabrication from straight pipes;
- moulding by
 - 1) filament winding,
 - 2) tape winding,
 - 3) contact moulding, and
 - 4) hot or cold compression moulding.

[Clause 7](#) is applicable to joints to be used in the GRP UP piping systems, both buried and non-buried. It covers requirements to prove the design of the joint. [Clause 7](#) specifies type test performance requirements for the following joints as a function of the declared nominal pressure rating of the pipeline or system:

- a) socket-and-spigot (including double-socket) joints or mechanical joints;
- b) locked socket-and-spigot joints;
- c) cemented or wrapped joints;
- d) bolted flange joints.

Plastics piping systems for pressure and non-pressure water supply, drainage or sewerage — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) systems based on unsaturated polyester (UP) resin

1 Scope

This document specifies the properties of piping system components made from glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) based on unsaturated polyester resin (UP). It is suited for all types of water supply, drainage and sewerage with or without pressure. Types of water supply include, but are not limited to, raw water, irrigation, cooling water, potable water, salt water, sea water, penstocks in power plants, processing plants and other water-based applications. This document is applicable to GRP UP piping systems, with flexible or rigid joints with or without end thrust load-bearing capability, primarily intended for use in direct buried installations.

NOTE 1 For the purpose of this document, the term polyester resin (UP) also includes vinyl-ester resins (VE).

NOTE 2 Piping systems conforming to this document can also be used for non-buried applications, provided the influence of the environment and the supports are considered in the design of the pipes, fittings and joints.

NOTE 3 This document can also apply for other installations, such as slip-lining rehabilitation of existing pipes.

NOTE 4 ISO 10467 and ISO 10639, which are replaced by this document, are also referenced in ISO 25780, which specifies requirements for GRP-pipes used for jacking installation.

The requirements for the hydrostatic pressure design of pipes referring to this document meet the requirements of ISO/TS 20656-1 and the general principle for the reliability of structures detailed in ISO 2394 and in EN 1990. These International Standards provide procedures for the harmonization of design practices and address the probability of failure, as well as possible consequences of failures. The design practices are based on a partial safety factor concept, as well as on risk management engineering.

This document is applicable to circular pipes, fittings and their joints of nominal sizes from DN 50 to DN 4000, which are intended to be used for the conveyance of water, sewage and drainage at normal service conditions, with or without pressure.

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 75-2:2013, *Plastics — Determination of temperature of deflection under load — Part 2: Plastics and ebonite*

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

ISO 527-4, *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 4: Test conditions for isotropic and orthotropic fibre-reinforced plastic composites*

ISO 527-5, *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 5: Test conditions for unidirectional fibre-reinforced plastic composites*

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ISO 1452-3, *Plastics piping systems for water supply and for buried and above-ground drainage and sewerage under pressure — Unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-U) — Part 3: Fittings*

ISO 2394:2015, *General principles on reliability for structures*

ISO 2531, *Ductile iron pipes, fittings, accessories and their joints for water applications*

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

ISO 4200, *Plain end steel tubes, welded and seamless — General tables of dimensions and masses per unit length*

ISO 4633, *Rubber seals — Joint rings for water supply, drainage and sewerage pipelines — Specification for materials*

ISO 7432, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Test methods to prove the design of locked socket-and-spigot joints, including double-socket joints, with elastomeric seals*

ISO 7509, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of time to failure under sustained internal pressure*

ISO 7685, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of initial ring stiffness*

ISO 8483, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Test methods to prove the design of bolted flange joints*

ISO 8513:2016, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Test methods for the determination of the initial longitudinal tensile strength*

ISO 8521:2020, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastic (GRP) pipes — Test methods for the determination of the initial circumferential tensile wall strength*

ISO 8533, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Test methods to prove the design of cemented or wrapped joints*

ISO 8639, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Test methods for leaktightness and proof of structural design of flexible joints*

ISO 10466, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Test method to prove the resistance to initial ring deflection*

ISO 10468, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of the ring creep properties under wet or dry conditions*

ISO 10471, *Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of the long-term ultimate bending strain and the long-term ultimate relative ring deflection under wet conditions*

ISO 10928:2016, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Methods for regression analysis and their use*

ISO 10952, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Determination of the resistance to chemical attack for the inside of a section in a deflected condition*

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

ISO 18851, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Test method to prove the structural design of fittings*

CEN/TS 14632, *Plastics piping systems for drainage, sewerage and water supply, pressure and non-pressure — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) based on unsaturated polyester resin (UP) — Guidance for the assessment of conformity*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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

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

3.1

break

condition where the test piece can no longer carry the load to which it is being subjected

3.2

coefficient of variation

V

ratio of the *standard deviation* (3.18) to the absolute value of the arithmetic mean, given by the following formula:

$$V = \text{standard deviation of the population} / \text{mean of the population}$$

Note 1 to entry: In this document, it is expressed as a percentage.

3.3

mean diameter

d_m

diameter of the circle corresponding to the middle of the pipe wall cross-section and given by either of the following formulae:

$$d_m = d_i + e$$

$$d_m = d_e - e$$

where

d_i is the internal diameter, in mm;

d_e is the external diameter, in mm;

e is the wall thickness of the pipe, in mm.

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in millimetres (mm).

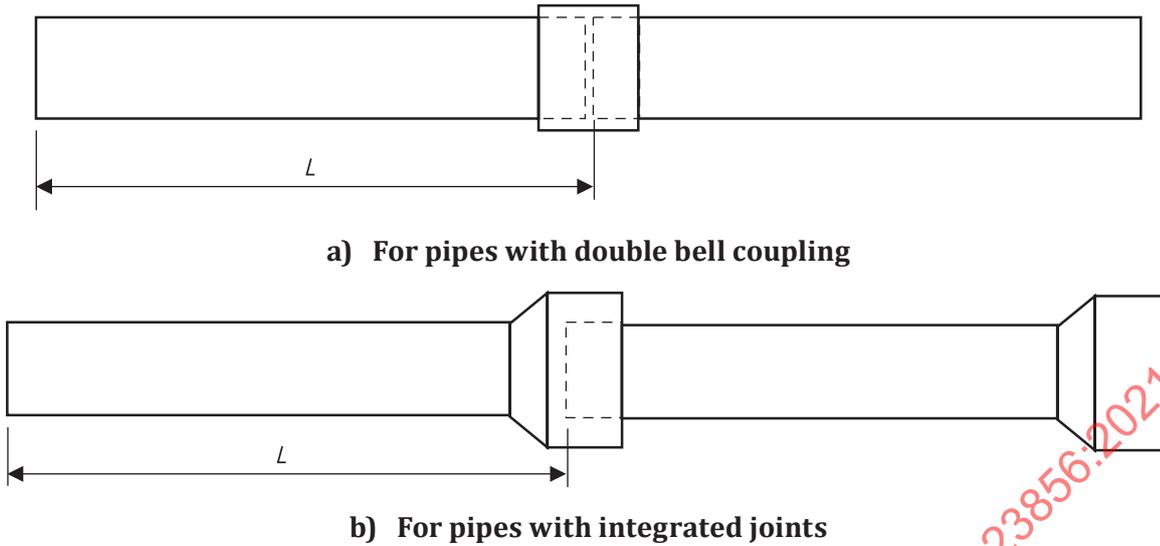
3.4

laying length

L

total length (3.20) of a pipe minus or plus, as applicable, the manufacturer's recommended insertion depth of the spigot(s) in the socket

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).



Key

L laying length

Figure 1 — Laying length

3.5 Joint movement

3.5.1 angular deflection

δ
angle between the axes of two consecutive pipes

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in degrees (°).

Note 2 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).

3.5.2 deformation

M
pipe deformation in the coupling as a result of a vertical force of 20 N/mm of the *nominal size* (3.6), on the pipe and a supported coupling causing a step between the two pipe spigots at the loading position

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in millimetres (mm).

Note 2 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).

3.5.3 draw

D
longitudinal movement of a joint

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in millimetres (mm).

Note 2 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).

3.5.4 flexible joint

joint which allows relative movement between the components being joined

Note 1 to entry: Examples of this type of joint are:

- a) socket-and-spigot joints with an elastomeric sealing element (including double-socket designs) (non-end-load-bearing);
- b) locked socket-and-spigot joints with an elastomeric sealing element (including double-socket designs) (either end-load-bearing or not);
- c) mechanically clamped joints, e.g. bolted couplings including components made of materials other than GRP (either end-load-bearing or not).

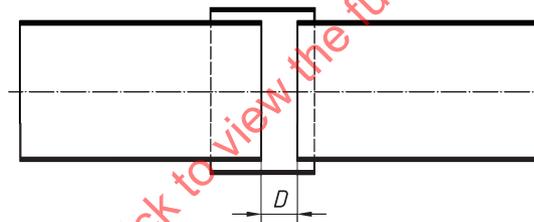
3.5.5 rigid joint

joint which does not allow relative movement between the components being joined

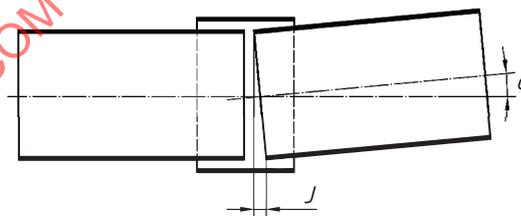
Note 1 to entry: Examples of this type of joint are:

- a) flanged joints including integral or loose ring flanges;
- b) wrapped or cemented joints.

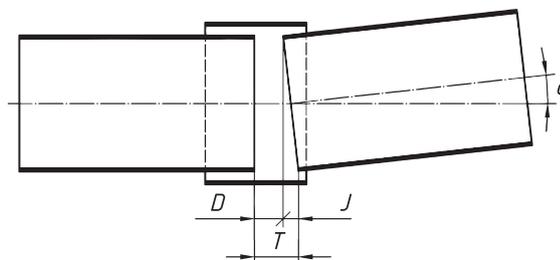
Both a) and b) can be either end-load-bearing or not.

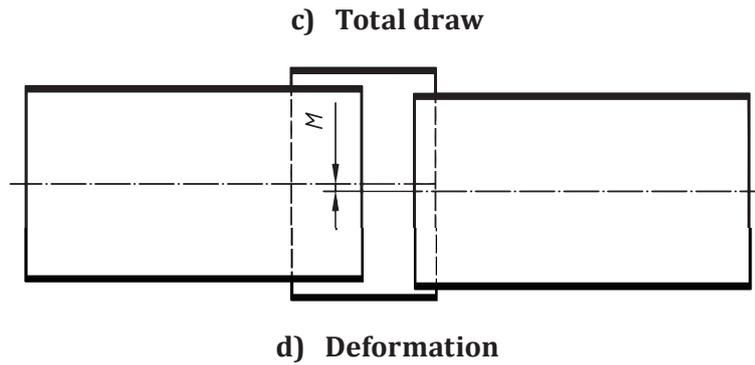


a) Draw



b) Angular deflection





Key

- D draw
- J longitudinal movement arising from angular deflection of the joint
- δ angular deflection of the joint
- T total draw
- M deformation

Figure 2 — Joint movements

3.5.6 total draw

T
sum of the *draw*, D (3.5.3), and the additional longitudinal movement, J , of joint components due to the presence of *angular deflection* (3.5.1)

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in millimetres (mm).

Note 2 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).

3.6 nominal size

DN
alphanumerical designation of size, which is a convenient round number for reference purposes and is related to the internal diameter in millimetres (mm)

Note 1 to entry: The designation for reference or marking purposes consists of the letters DN plus a number.

3.7 nominal length

numerical designation of pipe length which is equal to the *laying length* (3.4), in metres (m), rounded to the nearest whole number

3.8 nominal stiffness

SN
alphanumerical designation for stiffness classification purposes, which has the same numerical value as the minimum initial value required, when expressed in newtons per square metre (N/m²)

Note 1 to entry: See [4.1.3](#).

Note 2 to entry: The designation for reference or marking purposes consists of the letters SN plus a number.

3.9 non-pressure pipe or fitting

pipe or fitting subjected to an internal pressure not greater than 1 bar

3.10**pressure pipe or fitting**

pipe or fitting subjected to an internal pressure greater than 1 bar

Note 1 to entry: Pressure pipes and fittings are classified as:

- a) non-end-load-bearing pressure pipes and fittings are designed to resist internal pressure without hydraulic end thrust
- b) end-load-bearing pressure pipes and fittings are designed to resist internal pressure, including hydraulic end thrust

3.11**normal service conditions**

conveyance of water or sewage in the temperature range 2 °C to 50 °C, with or without pressure, for 50 years

Note 1 to entry: At temperatures above 35 °C, it may be necessary to rerate the pipe, see [3.14](#) and [4.5.1](#).

3.12 Pressure**3.12.1****initial failure pressure**

p_0

mean pressure at which failure occurs with specimens subjected to short-term tests performed in accordance with ISO 8521

3.12.2**nominal pressure**

PN

alphanumeric designation for a pressure, which is the maximum sustained hydraulic internal pressure for which a pipe is designed in the absence of other loading conditions than internal pressure

Note 1 to entry: The designation for reference or marking purposes consists of the letters PN plus a number.

3.12.3**minimum initial failure pressure**

$p_{0,QC}$

initial failure pressure ([3.12.1](#)), determined in accordance with ISO 8521, which 95 % of products are required to exceed

3.12.4**minimum long-term design pressure**

$p_{x,d}$

least value for mean long-term burst failure pressure, which is evaluated in accordance with the procedures described in ISO 10928 and includes a design factor of safety, FS_{mean}

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in bar.

Note 2 to entry: It is one of the parameters used to determine the minimum initial design pressure.

Note 3 to entry: See [4.6](#) for subscript x.

Note 4 to entry: The value of the design factor of safety, FS_{mean} , see [Table A.1](#).

3.12.5**minimum long-term failure pressure**

$p_{x,min}$

least value for long-term burst failure pressure, which is evaluated in accordance with the procedures described in ISO 10928 and includes a factor of safety, FS_{min}

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in bar.

Note 2 to entry: It is one of the parameters used to determine the minimum initial design pressure.

Note 3 to entry: For the value of the factor of safety, FS_{\min} , see [Table A.1](#).

3.12.6 mean design pressure

$p_{0,d}$
mean design initial failure pressure to ensure 95 % of products will exceed the *minimum initial failure pressure*, $p_{0,QC}$ ([3.12.3](#))

3.12.7 pressure regression ratio

$R_{R,p}$
ratio of the *projected failure pressure at 50 years*, p_{50} ([3.12.10](#)), to the *projected failure pressure at 6 min*, p_6 ([3.12.9](#)), obtained from long-term pressure tests performed in accordance with ISO 7509 and analysed in accordance with ISO 10928

Note 1 to entry: See [Annex A](#).

3.12.8 pressure pipe or fitting

pipe or fitting having a nominal pressure classification, greater than 1 bar and which is intended to be used at internal pressures up to its *nominal pressure (PN)* ([3.12.2](#))

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in bar.

3.12.9 projected failure pressure at 6 min

p_6
value at 6 min derived from the pressure regression line obtained from long-term pressure tests performed in accordance with ISO 7509 and analysed in accordance with ISO 10928

3.12.10 projected failure pressure at 50 years

p_{50}
value at 50 years derived from the pressure regression line obtained from long-term pressure tests performed in accordance with ISO 7509 and analysed in accordance with ISO 10928

3.12.11 working pressure

p_w
maximum internal hydrostatic pressure, excluding surge, at which a system shall be continuously operated

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in bar.

Note 2 to entry: Working pressure is represented by the following formula:

$$p_w \leq PN$$

where

p_w is the working pressure, in bar;
PN is the nominal pressure, in bar.

3.12.12 correction factor

C
ratio of the mean value of the tested *initial failure pressure*, $p_{0,\text{mean}}$ ([3.12.1](#)) to the *projected 6 min failure pressure*, p_6 ([3.12.9](#)) calculated from the regression line

3.13**quality control test**

test carried out for the purpose of process control and/or release of product

3.14**rating factor**
 R_{RF}

multiplication factor that quantifies the relationship of a product's mechanical, physical and chemical properties under service temperature above 35 °C [*service temperature* (3.20)] to those applicable at a standard test temperature of 23 °C

3.15 Ring deflection**3.15.1****extrapolated long-term relative ultimate ring deflection**
 $y_{u,wet,x}/d_m$

ratio of the deflection value at x years, derived from the ultimate deflection regression line obtained from long-term deflection tests performed under wet conditions in accordance with ISO 10471 and analysed in accordance with ISO 10928, to the *mean diameter*, d_m (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: For x years, see 4.6.

Note 2 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

3.15.2**relative ring deflection**
 y/d_m

ratio of the change in diameter of a pipe, y , to its *mean diameter*, d_m (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: See 3.3.

Note 2 to entry: It is derived as a percentage from the formula:

$$\text{relative ring deflection} = \frac{y}{d_m} \cdot 100$$

3.15.3**minimum initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking occurs**
 $(y_{2,bore}/d_m)_{min}$

initial relative ring deflection at 2 min which a test piece is required to pass without bore cracking when tested in accordance with ISO 10466

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

3.15.4**minimum initial relative ring deflection before structural failure occurs**
 $(y_{2,struct}/d_m)_{min}$

initial relative ring deflection at 2 min which a test piece is required to pass without structural failure when tested in accordance with ISO 10466

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

3.15.5**minimum long-term relative ultimate ring deflection**
 $(y_{u,wet,x}/d_m)_{min}$

required minimum extrapolated value at x years derived from the ultimate deflection regression line obtained from long-term deflection tests performed under wet conditions in accordance with ISO 10471

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

Note 2 to entry: For x years, see 4.6.

3.16 Resistance to strain corrosion

3.16.1

minimum long-term relative ring deflection in a corrosive environment

$(y_{\text{corr},x}/d_m)_{\text{min}}$

required minimum extrapolated value at x years derived from the ultimate deflection regression line obtained from long-term deflection tests performed under corrosive conditions in accordance with ISO 10952

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

Note 2 to entry: For x years, see [4.6](#).

3.16.2

relative ring deflection for test lasting t hours

$y_{\text{test},t}/d_m$

relative ring deflection for test pieces to resist for t hours in a test performed in accordance with ISO 10952 in a corrosive environment

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed as a percentage by multiplying by 100.

3.16.3

required relative strain

$\epsilon_{t,\text{reqd}}$

strain value, which the specimen is required to resist for a given time period, t

3.17 Ring stiffness

3.17.1

initial ring stiffness

S_0

value of ring stiffness, S , obtained when determined in accordance with ISO 7685

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in newtons per square metre (N/m²).

3.17.2

long-term ring creep stiffness

$S_{x,\text{creep}}$

value of ring stiffness ([3.17.3](#)), S , at x years, determined in accordance with ISO 10468

Note 1 to entry: For x years, see [4.6](#).

3.17.3

ring stiffness

S

measure of the resistance of a pipe to ring deflection per metre (m) length under external load as defined by the formula:

$$S = \frac{E \cdot I}{d_m^3}$$

where

E is the apparent modulus of elasticity as determined in a ring stiffness test, in N/m^2 ;

d_m is the mean diameter of the pipe, in m (see 3.3);

I is the second moment of area in the longitudinal direction per metre length, in m^4/m , i.e.

$$I = \frac{e^3}{12}$$

where e is the wall thickness, in m.

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in newtons per square metre (N/m^2).

3.18 standard deviation

σ

positive square root of the *variance* (3.23)

3.19

surge

rapid change in internal pressure, either positive or negative, caused by a change in the flow velocity

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in bar.

3.20

service temperature

maximum sustained temperature at which a system is expected to operate

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in degrees Celsius ($^{\circ}\text{C}$).

Note 2 to entry: This temperature is used for the rating of the product (see 3.14).

Note 3 to entry: This term is different to the design temperature, which is maximum temperature at which a system can be exposed to occasionally.

3.21

total length

distance between two planes normal to the pipe axis and passing through the extreme end points of the pipe including, where applicable, the affixed sockets

Note 1 to entry: It is expressed in metres (m).

3.22

type test

TT

test performed to prove that the material, product, joint, fittings or assembly is capable of conforming to the requirements given in this document

3.23

variance

measure of dispersion based on the mean square deviation from the arithmetic mean

3.24

creep factor

$\alpha_{x, \text{creep}}$

ratio of the *long-term ring creep stiffness*, $S_{x, \text{creep}}$ (3.17.2), at x years, determined under sustained loading in accordance with ISO 10468, to the ring stiffness, $S_{0,1}$, both measured at the same position referred to as reference position 1

Note 1 to entry: For x years, see 4.6.

Note 2 to entry: It is given by the formula:

$$\alpha_{x,creep} = \frac{S_{x,1,creep}}{S_{0,1}}$$

where

$S_{x,1,creep}$ is the long-term creep stiffness at position 1 at time x , in N/m²;
 $S_{0,1}$ is the ring stiffness at position 1, in N/m², at 0,1 hour.

4 General

4.1 Classification

4.1.1 Categories

Pipes and fittings shall be classified according to nominal size (DN), nominal pressure (PN) and joint type.

In addition, pipes shall include nominal stiffness (SN) in their classification.

4.1.2 Nominal size

The nominal size (DN) of pipes and fittings shall conform to the appropriate tables in [Clause 5](#). If a thermoplastics liner is present, its internal diameter shall be declared by the manufacturer. The tolerance on the diameter shall be as specified in [Clause 5](#).

4.1.3 Nominal stiffness

The nominal stiffness (SN) shall conform to one of those given in [Table 1](#) (see NOTE to [Table 1](#)).

Table 1 — Nominal stiffness (SN)

Stiffness in N/m²

Nominal stiffness
1 250
2 500
5 000
10 000
NOTE These nominal stiffnesses correspond to the values specified in Clause 5 for the minimum initial ring stiffness in newtons per square metre (N/m ²).

Where special applications require the use of pipes having a higher nominal stiffness than those given in [Table 1](#), the pipe shall be marked SN X , where X is the nominal stiffness of the pipe.

4.1.4 Nominal pressure

The nominal pressure (PN) shall conform to one of those given in [Table 2](#).

Where pressures other than the nominal values in [Table 2](#) are to be supplied by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser the pressure marking shall be PN X , where X is the value.

Table 2 — Nominal pressure (PN)

Pressure in bar

Nominal pressure
1
(2,5)
(4)
6
(9)
10
(12,5)
(15)
16
(18)
(20)
25
32
NOTE 1 Values in parentheses are non-preferred nominal pressures.
NOTE 2 Pipes marked PN 1 are non-pressure (gravity) pipes.

The nominal pressure shall be equal to or greater than the working pressure.

4.2 Materials

4.2.1 General

The pipe or fitting shall be constructed using chopped and/or continuous glass filaments, strands or rovings, mats or fabric, synthetic veils, and polyester resin with or without fillers and, if applicable, with additives necessary to impart specific properties to the resin. The pipe or fitting may also incorporate aggregates and, if required, a thermoplastics or any other thermosetting liner.

NOTE For the purpose of this document, the term polyester resin includes both polyester and vinyl-ester resin.

4.2.2 Reinforcement

The glass used for the manufacture of the reinforcement shall be of one of the following types:

- type "E" glass, comprising primarily either oxides of silicon, aluminium and calcium (aluminocalcosilicate glass) or silicon, aluminium and boron (alumino-borosilicate glass);
- type "C" glass, comprising primarily oxides of silicon, sodium, potassium, calcium and boron (alkali metal calcium glass with an increased boron trioxide content) which is intended for applications requiring enhanced chemical resistance;
- type "R" glass, comprising primarily oxides of silicon, aluminium, calcium and magnesium without added boron;
- type "E-CR" glass, comprising boron-free modified E-glass compositions for improved resistance to corrosion by most acids.

In either of these types of glass, small amounts of oxides of other metals will be present.

NOTE These descriptions for type C glass and type E glass are consistent with, but more specific than, those given in ISO 2078.

The reinforcement shall be made from continuously drawn filaments of type E (E-CR), type C or type R glass, and shall have a surface finish compatible with the resin to be used. It may be used in any form, e.g. as continuous or chopped filaments, strands or rovings, mat or fabric. Surface mats or veils of synthetic (organic) fibres may be used on the surfaces of the components.

4.2.3 Resin

The resin used in the structural layer (see 4.3.2) shall be unsaturated, thermosetting polyester (or vinylester) and have a temperature of deflection of at least 70 °C when tested in accordance with ISO 75-2:2013, method A with the test specimen in the flatwise position.

4.2.4 Aggregates and fillers

The particle size of aggregates and fillers shall not exceed 1/5 of the total wall thickness of the pipe or fitting or 2,5 mm, whichever is the smaller.

4.2.5 Thermoplastics liners

When using a thermoplastics liner that requires a bonding material, care shall be taken to ensure that the bonding material is compatible with other materials used in the pipe construction.

4.2.6 Elastomers

The elastomeric material(s) of the seal shall conform to ISO 4633 or EN 681-1, or, if such material is not available, a similar standard that is acceptable to both the purchaser and supplier.

Gaskets complying with these standards are deemed to satisfy the 50 year design life of the pipe systems made in accordance with this document.

4.2.7 Metals

Metallic components may be used in the system if the metal is suited for the purpose of the system.

4.3 Wall construction

4.3.1 Inner layer

The inner layer shall comprise one of the following:

- a) any type of thermosetting resin layer with or without aggregates and fillers and with or without a reinforcement of glass or synthetic filaments;
- b) a thermoplastics liner.

The resin used in this inner layer does not need to conform to the temperature of deflection requirements given in 4.2.3.

4.3.2 Structural layer

The structural layer shall consist of glass reinforcement and a thermosetting resin, with or without aggregates or fillers.

4.3.3 Outer layer

The construction of the outer layer of the pipe shall take into account the environment in which the pipe is to be used. This layer shall be formed of a thermosetting resin with or without aggregates and fillers and with or without a reinforcement made of glass or synthetic filaments.

NOTE Special construction can be necessary where the pipe is exposed to extreme climatic, environmental or ground conditions. For example, provision can be made for the inclusion of pigments or inhibitors for extreme climatic conditions or to give fire-retarding properties.

The resin used in this outer layer does not need to conform to the temperature of deflection requirements in [4.2.3](#).

4.4 Appearance

Both the internal and the external surfaces shall be free from irregularities which could impair the ability of the component to conform to the requirements of this document.

4.5 Reference conditions for testing

4.5.1 Temperature

The mechanical, physical and chemical properties specified in this document shall, unless otherwise specified, be determined at (23 ± 5) °C. For service temperatures over 35 °C and up to and including 50 °C, type tests (TT) shall be carried out at least at the service temperature $+5_0$ °C to establish rerating factors for all long-term properties of relevance to the design of pipes and fittings.

Test conditions for fittings and joints are detailed in [6.1.6.3](#) and [7.1.3](#).

Testing stiffness and deflection to crack/damage on very large samples in controlled temperature conditions could be very difficult and costly and, considering the sample size, even dangerous. Therefore, it can be practical to carry out the test on the factory floor, which is not necessarily temperature controlled. For routine batch release tests (BRT), the tests may be performed at prevailing ambient temperature, e.g. on the factory floor, if the testing machine is located there.

4.5.2 Properties of water for testing

The water used for the tests referred to in this document shall be tap water with a pH of 7 ± 2 .

4.5.3 Loading conditions

Unless otherwise specified, the mechanical, physical and chemical properties specified in this document shall be determined using circumferential and/or longitudinal loading conditions, as applicable, i.e. with or without hydraulic end thrust.

4.5.4 Conditioning

Unless otherwise specified, in cases of dispute, store the test piece(s) in air at the test temperature specified in [4.5.1](#) for at least 24 h prior to testing.

4.5.5 Measurement of dimensions

In cases of dispute, determine the dimensions of GRP components at the temperature specified in [4.5.1](#). Make all measurements in accordance with ISO 3126 or using any other method of sufficient accuracy to determine conformity or non-conformity with the applicable limits. Make all routine measurements at the prevailing temperature or, if the manufacturer prefers, at the temperature specified in [4.5.1](#).

4.6 Elapsed time, x , for determination of long-term properties

The subscript "x" in, for example, S_x , denotes the time at which the long-term property is to be determined. Unless otherwise specified, the long-term properties shall be determined at 50 years (438 000 h).

NOTE The long-term testing procedures are conservative because the test pieces are subjected to higher strain levels than expected in service. For this reason, it can be assumed that the 50 year life time is a minimum in practice and experience suggests that longer lifetimes of 100 years or more can be achieved.

4.7 Joints

4.7.1 General

If requested, the manufacturer shall declare the length and the maximum external diameter of the assembled joint.

4.7.2 Types of joint

A joint shall be classified as either flexible or rigid, and in either case, the manufacturer shall declare whether or not it is capable of resisting end loads.

4.7.3 Flexibility of the joint

4.7.3.1 Allowable angular deflection

The manufacturer shall declare the allowable angular deflection for which each joint is designed.

For locked joints, the manufacturer shall declare the maximum allowable angular deflection.

Other flexible joints which are not locked shall allow angular deflection that is not less than the applicable value given below:

- 3° for pipes and/or fittings with a nominal size equal to or less than DN 500;
- 2° for pipes and/or fittings with a nominal size greater than DN 500 but equal to or less than DN 900;
- 1° for pipes and/or fittings with a nominal size greater than DN 900 but equal to or less than DN 1800;
- 0,5° for pipes and/or fittings with a nominal size greater than DN 1800.

By agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser, flexible joints intended to be used at pressures greater than 16 bar may have lower allowable angular deflections than those given in this subclause.

4.7.3.2 Allowable draw

The manufacturer shall declare the maximum allowable draw for which each joint is designed.

For flexible joints, the maximum allowable draw, which includes Poisson contraction and temperature effects, shall not be less than 0,3 % of the laying length of the longest pipe which it is intended for use in the case of pressure pipes and 0,2 % in the case of non-pressure pipes.

For locked joints, the manufacturer shall declare the maximum allowable draw.

4.7.4 Sealing ring

The sealing ring shall not have any detrimental effect on the properties of the components with which it is used and shall not cause the test assembly to fail the performance requirements specified in [Clause 7](#).

4.7.5 Adhesives

Adhesives, if required for jointing, shall be as specified by the manufacturer of the joint. The joint manufacturer shall ensure that the adhesives do not have any detrimental effects on the components with which they are used and shall not cause the test assembly to fail the performance requirements specified in [Clause 7](#).

4.8 Effect on water quality

It shall be ensured that piping systems, intended to be used for the transport of water for human consumption, do not have any negative impact on the water quality.

For components intended to be used in contact with water for human consumption, attention is drawn to the requirements of national regulations.

4.9 Assessment of conformity

Assessment of conformity of products specified in this document shall be made according to CEN/TS 14632.

NOTE CEN/TS 14632 details procedures and tests for product assessments such as type tests (TT), audit tests (AT), BRT and process verification tests (PVT), as well as tests to assess the effects of changes in the design, process and materials.

A testing laboratory for TT, AT and PVT should operate in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025.

The scope of this document includes large diameters. Thus TT, AT and PVT may also include large sample sizes or difficult structures where special testing equipment is needed. In case the accredited testing laboratory is not equipped with these special testing facilities, the tests may be performed in the manufactures' laboratories under the supervision of the testing or certification institute.

5 Pipes

5.1 Type of pipes

The type of pipe or pipes shall be distinguished by whether or not they are suitable for resisting the hydraulic end thrust produced by the internal pressure.

5.2 Geometrical characteristics

5.2.1 Diameter

5.2.1.1 Diameter series

NOTE There are various methods used to manufacture GRP pipes (e.g. filament winding, centrifugal casting or contact moulding). Typically, they are produced by controlling either the internal diameter or the external diameter to a fixed value.

Unless otherwise agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, GRP pipes shall be designated by nominal size in accordance with one of the following two series:

- series A, which specifies the internal diameter in mm;
- series B, which specifies the external diameter in mm.

5.2.1.2 Nominal size

Unless otherwise agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, the nominal size (DN) shall be chosen from the values given in [Table 3](#).

Table 3 — Nominal size (DN)

Dimensions in mm

Nominal size			
50	600	(1 650)	(2 900)
75	700	(1 700)	3 000
100 (110)	(750)	1 800	(3 100)
125	800	(1 900)	3 200
150	900	2 000	(3 300)
200 (225)	1 000	(2 100)	3 400
250	(1 100)	2 200	(3 500)
300	1 200	(2 300)	3 600
350	(1 300)	2 400	(3 700)
(375)	(1 350)	(2 500)	3 800
400	1 400	2 600	(3 900)
450	(1 500)	(2 700)	4 000
500	1 600	2 800	

NOTE Values in parentheses are non-preferred values.

5.2.1.3 Specified diameters

5.2.1.3.1 General

Pipes may be supplied conforming to [5.2.1.3.2](#) (series A), [5.2.1.3.3](#) (series B) or another diameter series, by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

Pipes with other diameters may be supplied by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

5.2.1.3.2 Series A (internal diameter specified)

The internal diameter, in mm, shall conform to the applicable values relative to the nominal size given in [Table 4](#).

5.2.1.3.3 Series B (external diameter specified)

The external diameter, in mm, shall conform to the applicable value relative to the nominal size given in [Tables 5, 6](#) or [7](#).

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 300 and DN 4 000 to be used with GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) shall conform to those given for series B1.

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 100 and DN 600 to be used with either GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) or with ductile-iron fittings conforming to ISO 2531 shall conform to those given for series B2.

When specifying fittings made to other specifications, care should be taken to ensure their dimensional compatibility with the GRP-UP pipe.

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 100 and DN 600 to be used with either GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) or with PVC fittings conforming to ISO 161-1, ISO 1452-3 and the tolerances to ISO 11922-1 shall conform to those given for series B3.

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 100 and DN 300 to be used with either GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) or steel pipes conforming to ISO 4200 shall conform to those given for series B4.

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 50 and DN 800 to be used with either GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) or with metallic pipes conforming to standards not covered by series B2 or B4 shall conform to those given for series B5.

The dimensions of pipes with nominal sizes between DN 200 and DN 2 400 to be used with either GRP fittings conforming to [Clause 6](#) or with GRP pipes conforming to JIS A 5350 shall conform to those given for series B6.

5.2.1.4 Tolerances

5.2.1.4.1 Series A — Tolerances on internal diameter

The declared internal diameter of a pipe shall be between the minimum and maximum values given in [Table 4](#), columns 2 and 3. The average internal diameter at any point along the length of the pipe shall not deviate from the declared internal diameter by more than the permissible deviation given in [Table 4](#), column 4.

For GRP pipes which have a liner made from thermoplastics pipes, the tolerances on the internal diameter shall be as specified in the relevant thermoplastics pipe standard. The internal diameter of GRP pipes which have a liner fabricated from thermoplastics sheet shall conform to the applicable value in [Table 4](#) and its tolerances.

Table 4 — Series A — Specified pipe internal diameters and tolerances

Dimensions in millimetres

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Nominal size (DN)	Range of declared pipe internal diameters		Permissible deviations from declared internal diameter
	minimum	maximum	
100	97	103	±1,5
110	107	113	±1,5
125	122	128	±1,5
150	147	153	±1,5
200	196	204	±1,5
225	221	229	±1,5
250	246	255	±1,5
300	296	306	±1,8
350	346	357	±2,1
400	396	408	±2,4
450	446	459	±2,7
500	496	510	±3,0
600	595	612	±3,6

NOTE 1 When a non-preferred size is selected from [Table 3](#), the range of diameters and the permissible deviations are interpolated between the preferred sizes immediately above and below the non-preferred size.

NOTE 2 Where a manufacturer supplies pipes with a definable change in diameter from one end to the other, they can declare the diameters at each end and these declared values will be subject to the tolerances given in column 4.

Table 4 (continued)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Nominal size (DN)	Range of declared pipe internal diameters		Permissible deviations from declared internal diameter
	minimum	maximum	
700	695	714	±4,2
800	795	816	±4,2
900	895	918	±4,2
1 000	995	1 020	±5,0
1 200	1 195	1 220	±5,0
1 400	1 395	1 420	±5,0
1 600	1 595	1 620	±5,0
1 800	1 795	1 820	±5,0
2 000	1 995	2 020	±5,0
2 200	2 195	2 220	±5,0
2 400	2 395	2 420	±6,0
2 600	2 595	2 620	±6,0
2 800	2 795	2 820	±6,0
3 000	2 995	3 020	±6,0
3 200	3 195	3 220	±6,0
3 400	3 395	3 420	±6,0
3 600	3 595	3 620	±6,0
3 800	3 795	3 820	±7,0
4 000	3 995	4 020	±7,0

NOTE 1 When a non-preferred size is selected from Table 3, the range of diameters and the permissible deviations are interpolated between the preferred sizes immediately above and below the non-preferred size.

NOTE 2 Where a manufacturer supplies pipes with a definable change in diameter from one end to the other, they can declare the diameters at each end and these declared values will be subject to the tolerances given in column 4.

5.2.1.4.2 Series B1 — Tolerances on external diameter

The external diameter of a pipe at the spigot shall be as given in Table 5. The manufacturer shall declare the actual maximum and minimum external diameters of the pipe at the spigot.

Table 5 — Series B1 — Specified pipe external diameters and tolerances

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size (DN)	External diameter of pipe	Permissible deviation	
		Upper limit	Lower limit
300	310	+1,0	-1,0
350	361		-1,2
400	412		-1,4
450	463		-1,6
500	514		-1,8
600	616		-2,0
700	718		-2,2
800	820		-2,4
900	924		-2,6
1 000	1 026		-2,6
1 200	1 229	-2,6	
1 400	1 434	-2,8	
1 600	1 638	-2,8	
1 800	1 842	-3,0	
2 000	2 046	-3,0	
2 200	2 250	-3,2	
2 400	2 453	-3,4	
2 600	2 658	-3,6	
2 800	2 861	-3,8	
3 000	3 066	-4,0	
3 200	3 270	-4,2	
3 400	3 474	-4,4	
3 600	3 678	-4,6	
3 800	3 882	-4,8	
4 000	4 086	-5,0	

NOTE When a non-preferred size is selected from [Table 3](#), the range of diameters and the permissible deviations are interpolated between the preferred sizes immediately above and below the non-preferred size.

5.2.1.4.3 Series B2, B3 and B4 — Tolerances on external diameter

The tolerances on the external diameter, at the spigot, for series B2, B3 and B4 pipes shall be as given in [Table 6](#).

Table 6 — Series B2, B3 and B4 — Specified pipe external diameters and tolerances

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size (DN)	Series B2			Series B3			Series B4		
	External diameter	Permissible deviation		External diameter	Permissible deviation		External diameter	Permissible deviation	
		Upper limit	Lower limit		Upper limit	Lower limit		Upper limit	Lower limit
100	115,0	+1,5	+0,3	110	+0,4	0	114,3	+1,5	-0,2
125	141,0		+0,2	125	+0,4		139,7		
150	167,0		+0,1	160	+0,5		168,3		
200	220,0		0,0	200	+0,6		219,1		
225	—		—	225	+0,7		—		
250	271,8		-0,2	250	+0,8		273,0		
300	323,8		-0,3	315	+1,0		323,9		
350	375,7		-0,3	355	+1,1		—		
400	426,6		-0,3	400	+1,2		—		
450	477,6		-0,4	450	+1,4		—		
500	529,5		-0,4	500	+1,5		—		
600	632,5		-0,5	630	+1,9		—		

NOTE When a non-preferred size is selected from [Table 3](#), the range of diameters and the permissible deviations are interpolated between the preferred sizes immediately above and below the non-preferred size.

5.2.1.4.4 Series B5 — Tolerances on external diameter

The declared external diameter for series B5 shall be between the values given in [Table 7](#) for the applicable nominal size and be subject to the tolerances for the metallic pipes with which they are to be used.

The tolerances applicable to these dimensions depend on the joint. Upon request by the purchaser, the manufacturer shall provide detailed toleranced dimensions of the pipes used for particular joints.

Table 7 — Series B5 — Specified external diameters

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size (DN)	Range of declared pipe external diameters	
	minimum	maximum
50	63	64
75	100	101
100	121	122
150	175	177
200	229	232
250	281	286
300	335	345
350	388	399
400	426	453
450	495	507
500	548	587
700	655	747
800	812	826

5.2.1.4.5 Series B6 — Tolerances on external diameter

The external diameter of a pipe at the spigot shall be as given in [Table 8](#). The manufacturer shall declare the actual maximum and minimum external diameter of a pipe at the spigot.

Table 8 — Series B6 — Specified pipe external diameters and tolerances

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size DN	External pipe diameter	Permissible deviation	
		Upper limit	Lower limit
200	220	+1,5	-0,5
250	271		
300	322		
350	373		
400	424		
450	475		
500	526		
600	631	+2,0	-1,0
700	736		
800	840		
900	944		
1 000	1 050		
1 100	1 156		
1 200	1 262		
1 350	1 418	+2,5	-1,5
1 500	1 574		
1 650	1 732		
1 800	1 890		
2 000	2 098		
2 200	2 308		
2 400	2 518		

5.2.2 Wall thickness

If requested, the manufacturer shall declare the minimum total wall thickness, including the liner. It shall not be less than 3 mm.

5.2.3 Length

5.2.3.1 Nominal length

Unless otherwise agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, the nominal length shall be one of the following values: 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12 or 18.

5.2.3.2 Laying length

Pipes shall be supplied in laying lengths in accordance with the requirements given in the following paragraph:

Of the total quantity of pipes supplied of each diameter, the manufacturer may supply up to 10 % in lengths shorter than the nominal length unless, a higher percentage of such pipes has been agreed

between the manufacturer and the purchaser. In all cases where the effective length of the pipe is not within 60 mm of the nominal length, the actual laying length of the pipe shall be marked on the pipe.

The tolerance on the laying length shall be ±60 mm.

5.3 Mechanical characteristics

5.3.1 Initial ring stiffness

5.3.1.1 General

The initial ring stiffness, S_0 , shall be determined using either of the methods given in ISO 7685. The test pieces shall conform to 5.3.1.2, 5.3.1.3 and 5.3.1.4. Conduct the test using a relative ring deflection between 2,5 % and 3,5 %. Where the nominal stiffness exceeds SN 10 000, perform the test using a relative deflection, y/d_m , calculated using Formula (1):

$$y/d_m (\%) = \frac{65}{\sqrt[3]{SN}} \pm 0,5 \tag{1}$$

The value determined for the initial ring stiffness, S_0 , shall not be less than the applicable value of $S_{0,min}$ given in Table 9. For nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, the initial stiffness, in N/m², shall not be less than the numerical value of the nominal stiffness.

Table 9 — Minimum initial ring stiffness values

Nominal stiffness (SN) ^a N/m ²	$S_{0,min}$ ^b N/m ²
1 250	1 250
2 500	2 500
5 000	5 000
10 000	10 000
^a See NOTE to Table 1. ^b For other stiffnesses, the value of $S_{0,min}$ shall be equal to SN X (see 4.1.3).	

5.3.1.2 Number of test pieces for type testing

Two test pieces, of the same size and classification and conforming to 5.2.1.3, shall be used.

5.3.1.3 Number of test pieces for quality control test purposes

Unless otherwise specified, one test piece shall be used.

5.3.1.4 Length of test pieces

The length, L_p , of the test piece shall be 0,3 m with a tolerance of ±5 % for all nominal sizes.

5.3.2 Long-term creep ring stiffness

5.3.2.1 Method of test to determine S_0

Before performing the test detailed in 5.3.2.4, determine the initial ring stiffness, S_0 , of the test pieces in accordance with 5.3.1.1 using test pieces conforming to 5.3.1.4.

5.3.2.2 Time intervals for measurement

Commencing 1 h after completion of loading and continuing for more than 10 000 h, measure and record the deflection readings. The intervals between readings shall be such that 10 readings are taken at approximately equally spaced intervals of log-time for each decade of log-time in hours.

5.3.2.3 Elapsed time at which the property is to be determined

The elapsed time at which this property is to be determined is 50 years in accordance with [4.6](#).

Some design or analysis procedures may use a 2-year value for long-term stiffness. This value can be determined from the same test data.

5.3.2.4 Method of test

The long-term ring creep stiffness, $S_{x,creep}$, and the creep factor, $\alpha_{x,creep}$, shall be determined from data derived from the test performed in accordance with ISO 10468 using an initial strain of between 0,13 % and 0,17 %. The creep factor shall be calculated in accordance with ISO 10928.

5.3.2.5 Requirements

The creep factor, $\alpha_{x,creep}$, as determined according to [5.3.2.4](#), shall be declared by the manufacturer.

5.3.2.6 Number of test pieces for type testing

Use two test pieces of the same size and classification and of length, L_p , conforming to [5.3.1.4](#).

5.3.2.7 Determination of minimum long-term ring creep stiffness

The manufacturer shall determine the minimum long-term creep stiffness, $S_{x,creep,min}$, for the pipes he/she produces, using [Formula \(2\)](#):

$$S_{x,creep,min} = S_{0,min} \cdot \alpha_{x,creep} \quad (2)$$

where $S_{0,min}$ is the applicable minimum initial ring stiffness value given in [Table 9](#).

5.3.3 Initial resistance to failure in a deflected condition

5.3.3.1 General

Determine the initial resistance to failure in a deflected condition using the method given in ISO 10466. The test pieces shall conform to [5.3.3.4](#) and [5.3.3.5](#). Conduct the test using mean diametrical deflections appropriate to the nominal stiffness (SN) of the pipe as specified in [5.3.3.3.1](#) for item a) of [5.3.3.2](#) and as determined in accordance with [5.3.3.3.2](#) for item b) of [5.3.3.2](#).

5.3.3.2 Requirements

When tested in accordance with the method given in ISO 10466, each test piece shall conform to the following requirements:

- a) when inspected without magnification, the test piece shall be free from bore cracks (see [5.3.3.3.1](#));
- b) the test piece shall not show structural failure in any of the following forms (see [5.3.3.3.2](#)):
 - 1) interlaminar separation;
 - 2) tensile failure of the glass fibre reinforcement;
 - 3) buckling of the pipe wall;

- 4) separation of the thermoplastics liner from the structural wall, if applicable.

5.3.3.3 Minimum initial relative ring deflection

5.3.3.3.1 For bore cracks

The minimum initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking occurs is given in [Table 10](#) for the appropriate nominal stiffness of the test piece. For nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, calculate the minimum initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking, $y_{2,bore}/d_m$, in %, using [Formula \(3\)](#):

$$(y_{2,bore}/d_m)_{new,min} \cdot 100 = \frac{194}{\sqrt[3]{SN}} \tag{3}$$

where

$(y_{2,bore}/d_m)_{new,min}$ is the required minimum 2 min initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking calculated, for the nominal stiffness of the test piece;

SN is the nominal stiffness of the test piece.

For individual test pieces with a nominal stiffness greater than SN 10 000, calculate the minimum initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking, $y_{2,bore}/d_m$, in %, using [Formula \(3\)](#), but using the measured initial ring stiffness of the test piece instead of its nominal stiffness.

Table 10 — Minimum 2 min initial relative ring deflection before bore cracking, $(y_{2,bore}/d_m)_{min}$

Nominal stiffness (SN)	N/m ²	1 250	2 500	5 000	10 000
No sign of bore cracking at a percentage relative to the ring deflection of the test piece	%	18	14,3	11,3	9

5.3.3.3.2 For structural failure

The minimum initial relative ring deflection before structural failure is given in [Table 11](#) for the appropriate nominal stiffness of the test piece. For nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, calculate the minimum initial ring deflection before structural failure, $y_{2,struct}/d_m$, in %, using [Formula \(4\)](#):

$$(y_{2,struct}/d_m)_{new,min} \cdot 100 = \frac{324}{\sqrt[3]{SN}} \tag{4}$$

where

$(y_{2,struct}/d_m)_{new,min}$ is the required minimum 2 min initial relative ring deflection before structural failure calculated for the nominal stiffness of the test piece;

SN is the nominal stiffness of the test piece.

For individual test pieces with a nominal stiffness greater than SN 10 000, calculate the minimum initial relative ring deflection before structural failure, $y_{2,struct}/d_m$, in %, using [Formula \(4\)](#), but using the measured initial ring stiffness of the test piece instead of its nominal stiffness.

The deflection values in [Table 11](#) are based on the assumption that the maximum allowable long-term deflection when buried in ground is 6 %. The manufacturer of the pipes is permitted to specify a long-term deflection different to the assumed value of 6 %. In such cases, the requirement in [Table 11](#) shall be adjusted proportionally, e.g. if the manufacturers value is 3 % then the required values shall be 50 %

of those in [Table 11](#), while a manufacturer's declaration values of 8 % results in required values being 133 % of those in [Table 11](#).

NOTE The ultimate ring deflection values in [Table 11](#) include the same failure strain for all stiffness classes. Therefore, the deflection determined for one stiffness class can be converted into strain and this in turn can be converted into a deflection for any other stiffness class.

**Table 11 — Minimum initial relative deflection before structural failure,
($v_{2,struct}/d_m$)_{min}**

Nominal stiffness (SN)	N/m ²	1 250	2 500	5 000	10 000
No sign of structural failure at a percentage relative to the ring deflection of the test piece	%	30,0	23,9	18,9	15

5.3.3.4 Number of test pieces for type testing

Use three test pieces of the same size and classification and of length, L_p , conforming to [5.3.1.4](#).

5.3.3.5 Number of test pieces for quality control test purposes

Unless otherwise specified, one test piece of the same size and classification and length, L_p , conforming to [5.3.1.4](#) shall be used.

The use of the same test piece(s) for the tests detailed in [5.3.1](#) is permitted.

5.3.4 Ultimate long-term resistance to failure in a deflected condition

5.3.4.1 General

Determine the ultimate long-term resistance to failure in a deflected condition using the method given in ISO 10471, using at least 18 test pieces conforming to [5.3.4.5](#).

NOTE 1 This subclause is applicable for water and drainage pipes. For pipes intended to be used for septic sewers refer to [5.4](#).

NOTE 2 If test data according to this procedure is not available, then data from chemical resistance tests in [5.4](#) may be used.

5.3.4.2 Requirements

When tested in accordance with the method given in ISO 10471 on a strain basis and without preconditioning, using a minimum of 18 test pieces conforming to [5.3.4.5](#), the extrapolated x-years value (see [4.6](#)) of failure strain, calculated in accordance with ISO 10928 and converted into deflection for the applicable nominal stiffness, shall not be less than the applicable value given in [Table 12](#).

The deflection values in [Table 12](#) are based on the assumption that the maximum allowable long-term deflection when buried in the ground is 6 %. The manufacturer of the pipes is permitted to specify a long-term deflection different to the assumed value of 6 %. In such cases, the requirement in [Table 12](#) shall be adjusted proportionally, e.g. if the manufacturer's value is 3 % then the required values shall be 50 % of those in [Table 12](#), while a manufacturer's declaration values of 8 % results in required values being 133 % of those in [Table 12](#).

For nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, the same procedure shall be followed except that the calculated maximum long-term deflection shall be used rather than 6 %. [Formula \(3\)](#) shall be used to calculate the long-term deflection. For nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, the maximum

allowed long-term deflection when buried in ground shall not exceed 67 % of the calculated minimum extrapolated long-term ring deflection.

NOTE The ultimate ring deflection values in [Table 12](#) include the same failure strain for all stiffness classes. Therefore, the deflection determined for one stiffness class can be converted into strain and this in turn can be converted into a deflection for any other stiffness class.

Table 12 — Minimum extrapolated long-term relative ultimate ring deflection under wet conditions, $(y_{u,wet,x}/d_m)_{min}$

Nominal stiffness (SN)	N/m ²	1 250	2 500	5 000	10 000
Minimum extrapolated long-term relative ultimate ring deflection	%	18	14,3	11,3	9

5.3.4.3 Criteria for failure

The criteria for failure shall be as given in ISO 10471.

5.3.4.4 Distribution of failure times

The times to failure, t_u , of the 18 or more test pieces shall be distributed between 0,1 h and over 10⁴ h and the distribution of 10 of these results shall conform to the limits given in [Table 13](#).

Table 13 — Failure time distribution

Failure time, t_u h	Minimum number of failure values
10 < t_u ≤ 1 000	4
1 000 < t_u ≤ 6 000	3
6 000 < t_u	3 ^a
^a At least one of these shall exceed 10 000 h.	

5.3.4.5 Test pieces for type testing

The test pieces required by the test detailed in [5.3.4](#) shall be cut from pipes with the same nominal size, nominal stiffness and nominal pressure class and shall have a length, L_p , conforming to [5.3.1.4](#).

5.3.5 Initial longitudinal tensile strength

5.3.5.1 General

Determine the initial longitudinal tensile strength in accordance with ISO 8513:2016, method A or method B using test pieces conforming to [5.3.5.2](#).

5.3.5.2 Requirements

Where pipes are not required to resist the hydraulic end thrust produced by the internal pressure, the following applies:

- a) the average value of the initial longitudinal tensile strength, σ_1^* , of the test pieces shall not be less than the value, given in [Table 14](#), applicable to the nominal size (DN) of the pipe under test;
- b) the average value of the elongation to break of the test pieces shall not be less than 0,25 %.

Table 14 — Minimum initial longitudinal tensile strength for pipes without end-thrust

Nominal size (DN) ^a , mm	Nominal pressure (PN) ^a							
	Bar							
	≤4	6	10	12,5	16	20	25	32
Minimum initial longitudinal tensile strength of circumference								
N/mm								
100	70	75	80	85	90	100	110	120
125	75	80	80	95	100	110	120	135
150	80	85	90	105	110	120	130	145
200	85	95	100	115	120	135	150	170
250	90	105	110	130	135	155	175	200
300	95	110	125	145	155	175	200	230
400	105	130	145	175	190	215	250	290
500	115	145	170	205	225	255	300	350
600	130	160	195	235	255	295	350	420
700	140	175	215	265	290	335	400	475
800	155	190	240	295	325	380	450	545
900	165	205	260	320	360	420	505	610
1 000	180	225	290	350	395	465	555	675
1 200	205	255	340	405	465	540	645	790
1 400	230	290	380	455	530	620	745	915
1 600	255	320	430	515	600	700	845	1 040
1 800	280	350	480	570	670	785	940	1 160
2 000	305	385	520	625	740	865	1 040	1 285
2 200	335	415	570	675	810	945	1 140	1 410
2 400	360	450	620	730	880	1 025	1 240	1 530
2 600	385	480	665	785	945	1 110	1 335	1 655
2 800	410	515	710	840	1 015	1 190	1 435	1 780
3 000	435	545	755	890	1 080	1 270	1 535	1 900
3 200	460	575	805	950	1 150	1 350	1 630	2 025
3 400	490	610	850	1 005	1 220	1 430	1 730	2 150
3 600	520	645	895	1 060	1 290	1 515	1 830	2 265
3 800	550	680	940	1 115	1 355	1 595	1 930	2 400
4 000	580	715	985	1 170	1 425	1 675	2 025	2 520

^a When pipes having a nominal size or pressure other than those given in this table are tested, the required minimum initial longitudinal tensile strength shall be linearly interpolated or extrapolated from the values given in this table.

For pipes required to resist the hydraulic end thrust produced by the internal pressure acting under the relevant end-load conditions, the minimum initial longitudinal tensile strength, σ_1^* , in N/mm circumference, shall not be less than the value determined from [Formula \(5\)](#):

$$\sigma_1^* = 25 \times p_{0,QC} \times d_m \quad (5)$$

where

$p_{0,QC}$ is the minimum initial failure pressure, in bar, determined in accordance with [5.3.6.2](#) and [A.6](#);

d_m is the mean diameter of the pipe tested, in m.

Effects of additional loads, such as longitudinal bending or thermal expansion should be taken into account in the design of the piping system.

5.3.5.3 Number of test pieces for type testing

When testing in accordance with ISO 8513:2016, method A, cut five test pieces from each of three different pipes of the same nominal size, nominal stiffness and nominal pressure class.

When testing in accordance with ISO 8513:2016, method B, cut one test piece from each of three different pipes of the same nominal size, nominal stiffness and nominal pressure class.

5.3.5.4 Number of test pieces for quality control test purposes

When testing in accordance with ISO 8513:2016, method A, five test pieces of one pipe shall be used. When testing in accordance with ISO 8513:2016, method B, one test piece of one pipe shall be used.

5.3.6 Initial design and failure pressures for pressure pipes

5.3.6.1 General

For pressure pipes, the initial failure pressure shall be determined in accordance with ISO 8521:2020, methods A to F, using test pieces conforming to [5.3.6.5](#). Method A is considered the reference method. However, all methods in ISO 8521 have equal validity when a correlation of any of the methods B to F with method A is established by a comparative test programme.

NOTE Testing the initial failure pressure according to ISO 8521:2020 method A on very large samples can be very difficult and costly and, considering the sample size, even dangerous. Therefore, the correlation test programme can be done on smaller diameters.

5.3.6.2 Requirements

When tested in accordance with ISO 8521 by one of the methods A to F, using test pieces in accordance with [5.3.6.3](#), the value of the initial failure pressure calculated in accordance with this subclause shall be equal or greater than the value ($p_{0,QC}$) derived using the procedure given in [A.6](#) [see [Formula \(6\)](#)].

$$p_0 \geq p_{0,QC} \quad (6)$$

where

p_0 is the initial failure pressure (measured), in bar;

$p_{0,QC}$ is the minimum initial failure pressure (calculated), in bar (see [A.6](#)).

All the methods described in ISO 8521 result in circumferential tensile wall strength. To compare these results with the requirements given in [5.3.6.2](#), convert the circumferential tensile wall strength into a pressure value by any of the appropriate formulae [see [Formulae \(7\) to \(12\)](#)]:

$$p_{0,A} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,A}^* / d_m \quad (7)$$

$$p_{0,B} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,B}^* / d_m \quad (8)$$

$$p_{0,C} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,C}^* / d_m \quad (9)$$

$$p_{0,D} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,D}^* / d_m \quad (10)$$

$$p_{0,E} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,E}^* / d_m \quad (11)$$

$$p_{0,F} = 0,02 \times \sigma_{c,F}^* / d_m \quad (12)$$

where

$\sigma_{c,A}^*$ to $\sigma_{c,F}^*$ are the average of the circumferential tensile wall strength values, determined in accordance with ISO 8521, in N/mm;

d_m is the mean diameter of the pipe tested, in m;

$p_{0,A}$ to $p_{0,F}$ are the initial failure pressures, in bar.

5.3.6.3 Number of test pieces for type testing

When testing in accordance with ISO 8521:2020, method A, use test pieces from three pipes of the same nominal size, nominal stiffness and nominal pressure class.

When testing in accordance with one of ISO 8521:2020, methods B to F, take the appropriate number of test pieces from each of three different samples of the same nominal size, nominal stiffness and nominal pressure class. From each sample, use either one test piece per metre of circumference or five test specimens, whichever gives the greater number of test results. The average of the five results shall be taken as the result of the test.

5.3.6.4 Number of test pieces for quality control test purposes

For testing in accordance with ISO 8521:2020, method A, unless otherwise specified, one test piece shall be used.

Unless otherwise specified, for testing in accordance with one of the ISO 8521:2020 methods B to F, five test pieces shall be taken from the pipe. The average of the five results shall be taken as the result of the test.

5.3.6.5 Dimensions of test pieces

5.3.6.5.1 For method A

The length of the test pieces between the end-sealing devices shall be as given in [Table 15](#).

Table 15 — Length of test pieces for method A^a

Nominal size DN mm	Minimum length mm
≤ 250	(3 × DN) + 250
> 250	DN + 1 000

^a Lengths less than those shown may be used, provided the end restraints do not have any effect on the result.

5.3.6.5.2 For method B

The dimensions of the test piece shall conform to ISO 8521.

5.3.6.5.3 For method C

The width of the test piece shall conform to ISO 8521.

5.3.6.5.4 For method D

The width of the test piece shall conform to ISO 8521.

5.3.6.5.5 For method E

The dimensions of the test piece shall conform to ISO 8521.

5.3.6.5.6 For method F

The dimensions of the test piece shall conform to ISO 8521.

5.3.7 Long-term failure pressure

5.3.7.1 General

For pressure pipes, determine the long-term failure pressure in accordance with ISO 7509, using air as the external environment and using test pieces conforming to [5.3.7.4](#).

5.3.7.2 Requirements

Using the data obtained from the test performed in accordance with ISO 7509 and the extrapolation procedures detailed in ISO 10928, determine the regression ratio, $R_{R,p}$, and the correction factor, C . Pipes shall be designed using the procedure detailed in [Annex A](#) to ensure that:

- a) the minimum long-term failure pressure, $p_{x,min}$, is at least $FS_{min} \times PN$, in bar, and
- b) the minimum long-term design pressure $p_{x,d}$ is at least $FS_{mean} \times PN$, in bar.

5.3.7.3 Number of test pieces for determination of the pressure regression ratio, $R_{R,p}$, and the correction factor for the initial failure pressure, C

Take a sufficient number of test pieces for at least 18 failure points to be obtained so that the analysis can be carried out in accordance with ISO 10928.

The correction factor, C , shall be based on a minimum of five test pieces.

5.3.7.4 Length of the test pieces

The length of the test pieces between the end-sealing devices shall conform to [Table 15](#).

5.3.7.5 Distribution of failure times

The times to failure of the 18 or more test pieces shall be between 0,1 h and over 10^4 h, and the distribution of 10 of these results shall conform to the limits given in [Table 13](#).

5.4 Resistance to chemical attack

5.4.1 General

For pipes intended to be used for septic sewers, determine the resistance to chemical attack using the procedure described in [5.4.2](#) or [5.4.3](#), whichever the manufacturer decides.

5.4.2 Procedure using failure points

5.4.2.1 Requirements

Perform tests in accordance with ISO 10952, using leak failure as the criterion. From the results, obtain the extrapolated x -year deflection using ISO 10928:2016, method A. The extrapolated value shall not be less than the applicable limit given in [Table 16](#) or, for nominal stiffnesses greater than SN 10 000, the limit calculated using [Formula \(13\)](#).

Table 16 — Minimum long-term relative ring deflection in a corrosive environment at x years, $y_{\text{corr},x}/d_m$

Nominal stiffness (SN)	N/m ²	1 250	2 500	5 000	10 000
Minimum extrapolated deflection	%	18	14,3	11,3	9

NOTE The given values are for $x = 50$ years.

$$(y_{\text{corr},x}/d_m)_{\text{min}} \times 100 = \frac{194}{\sqrt[3]{S}} \quad (13)$$

where

$(y_{\text{corr},x}/d_m)_{\text{min}}$ is the required minimum long-term relative ring deflection in a corrosive environment calculated for the initial ring stiffness;

S is the applicable initial ring stiffness.

The deflection values in [Table 16](#) or derived from [Formula \(13\)](#) are based on the assumption that the maximum allowable long-term deflection for a pipe buried in the ground is 6 %. The pipe manufacturer may, however, specify a long-term deflection different from this assumed value. In such cases, the requirements in [Table 16](#) or calculated using [Formula \(13\)](#) shall be adjusted proportionately. For instance, if the manufacturer's value was 3 %, then the required values would be 50 % of those in [Table 16](#) or calculated using [Formula \(13\)](#), while a manufacturer's deflection value of 8 % would result in required values of 133 % of those in [Table 16](#) or derived using [Formula \(13\)](#).

NOTE The minimum long-term ring deflection values in [Table 16](#) include the same failure strain for all stiffness classes. Therefore, the deflection determined for one stiffness class can be converted into strain and this in turn can be converted into a deflection for any other stiffness class.

5.4.2.2 Number of test pieces for type testing

Unless otherwise specified, take a sufficient number of test pieces from one or more pipes for at least 18 failure points to be obtained so that the analysis can be carried out using ISO 10928:2016, method A.

5.4.2.3 Distribution of failure times

The times to failure of the 18 or more test pieces shall be distributed between 0,1 h and over 10 000 h, and the distribution of 10 of these results shall conform to the distribution given in [Table 13](#).

Where leak failure cannot be obtained in less than 1 000 h, two of the relevant four failure points (see [Table 13](#)) shall be obtained additionally between 1 000 h and 6 000 h and the other two additionally over 6 000 h.

When at least 16 of the test pieces have failed under test and the remaining test pieces have been on test for more than 10 000 h, it is permissible for these remaining test pieces to be included in the data used to establish the required extrapolated value.

5.4.3 Procedure using specified levels of strain

5.4.3.1 Requirements

Set test pieces conforming to [5.4.3.3](#) and [5.4.4](#) at the deflection levels calculated in accordance with [5.4.3.2](#) and perform tests in accordance with the procedures detailed in ISO 10952, using leak as the criterion.

No individual test piece's time to failure shall be less than that corresponding to the relevant test period, i.e. 1 000 h, 3 000 h or 10 000 h.

5.4.3.2 Required relative ring deflection for a test period, t

5.4.3.2.1 General

Set the test piece either at the deflection calculated in accordance with [5.4.3.2.2](#) or at the strain calculated in accordance with [5.4.3.2.3](#).

5.4.3.2.2 Using deflection

Using the measured initial ring stiffness, S_0 , of the individual test piece, and the test period, t , calculate the required relative ring deflection, $y_{\text{test}, t} / d_m$, in percent, for the individual test piece using [Formula \(14\)](#):

$$(y_{\text{test}, t} / d_m) \times 100 = \frac{K_t}{\sqrt[3]{S_0}} \tag{14}$$

where

$y_{\text{test}, t} / d_m$ is the required relative ring deflection for the test period, t , in hours, calculated for the initial ring stiffness of the test piece;

K_t is a constant, equal to:

241,9 for a test period of 1 000 h,

233,3 for a test period of 3 000 h,

223,6 for a test period of 10 000 h;

S_0 is the measured initial ring stiffness of the test piece, in N/m².

5.4.3.2.3 Using strain

Using the measured initial ring stiffness, S_0 , of the individual test piece and the percentage deflection derived from [Formula \(14\)](#), calculate the required relative strain, $\varepsilon_{t, \text{reqd}}$, for the individual test piece, using [Formula \(15\)](#):

$$\varepsilon_{t, \text{reqd}} = \frac{4,28 \times y_{\text{test}, t} / d_m}{\{1 + [y_{\text{test}, t} / (d_m \times 200)]\}^2} \times \frac{e}{d_m} \quad (15)$$

where

$\varepsilon_{t, \text{reqd}}$ is the required relative strain for the test at time t , calculated for the actual initial ring stiffness, S_0 , of the individual test piece;

$y_{\text{test}, t} / d_m$ is the value calculated for the test piece using [Formula \(14\)](#);

e is the wall thickness of the test piece, in millimetres (mm);

d_m is the mean diameter of the test piece, in millimetres (mm).

5.4.3.3 Number of test pieces for type testing

Unless otherwise specified, test four test pieces at each of the three deflection or strain levels determined in accordance with [5.4.3.2](#). The test pieces shall be cut from one or more pipes.

5.4.4 Test piece length

The test pieces shall have a length of (300 ± 15) mm.

5.4.5 Test solution

The test solution shall be a 0,5 mol/l sulfuric acid solution (1,0 N). Introduce this into the test pieces within 2 h of deflecting in accordance with ISO 10952. Take this as the zero time from which the long-term properties are determined.

5.5 Marking

Marking details shall be printed or formed directly on the pipe in such a way that the marking does not initiate cracks or other types of failure.

If printing is used, the colouring of the printed information shall differ from the basic colouring of the product and the printing shall be such that the marking is readable without magnification.

The following marking shall be on the outside of each pipe:

- a reference to this document, i.e. ISO 23856;
- the nominal size (DN) and the diameter series, e.g. A, B1, B2;
- the stiffness rating in accordance with [Clause 4](#);
- the pressure rating in accordance with [Clause 4](#);
- the manufacturer's name or identification;

- f) the date of manufacture, in plain text or code;
- g) if applicable, the code-letter "T" to indicate that the pipe is suitable for use with hydraulic end thrust, or the letters "TB" to indicate the pipe together with the appropriate joint are suitable for use with hydraulic end thrust, tested in accordance with ISO 7432, method B;
- h) intended use, e.g. W, P, U

where

- W is for pipes intended for the conveyance of water for human consumption;
- P is for pipes intended for the sewer and drainage under pressure;
- U is for pipes intended for underground drainage and sewerage, non-pressure.

NOTE These codes are in accordance with CEN/TR 15438.

6 Fittings

6.1 All types

6.1.1 General

In addition to the particular requirements detailed for each type of fitting, all fittings shall conform to the requirements specified in [6.1.2](#) to [6.1.8](#).

6.1.2 Diameter series

The diameter series of the fitting shall be that of the straight length(s) of pipe to which the fitting is to be joined in the piping system.

6.1.3 Nominal pressure (PN)

The nominal pressure rating (PN) of the fitting shall be selected from the values given in [Clause 4](#) and shall not be less than that of the straight pipe(s) to which the fitting is to be joined in the piping system.

6.1.4 Nominal stiffness (SN)

The nominal stiffness rating (SN) of the fitting shall be selected from the values given in [Clause 4](#).

For a given material, a fitting for which the wall thickness and construction is the same as a pipe of the same diameter will have a stiffness equal to or greater than that of the pipe. This is due to the geometry of the fitting. Hence, it is not necessary to test such fittings.

6.1.5 Fitting type

The type of fitting and its components shall be designated whether or not to be suitable for resisting the hydraulic end thrust produced by the internal pressure.

6.1.6 Mechanical characteristics of fittings

6.1.6.1 General

Fittings shall be designed and manufactured in accordance with relevant design practices. Regardless of the design and installation conditions the fittings shall be designed to withstand hoop loads without additional support. Hydraulic end thrust can be taken either by the fitting and its components or by an external thrust (e.g. anchor blocks or encasements).

Anchor blocks or encasements should be the same design as that was used for the qualification of the fitting. The manufacturer of the fitting shall document the fitting design and manufacturing procedures as a part of their quality system.

6.1.6.2 Test to prove structural design

Fittings of each particular configuration (branch, bend, taper, etc.) shall be tested for conformance to the requirements under hydrostatic pressure for fittings in accordance with ISO 18851.

6.1.6.3 Test temperature

Unless otherwise specified, the test can be performed at any temperature up to 35 °C. For service temperatures over 35 °C and up to including 50 °C TT, the test shall be carried out at least at the service temperature $+5_{-0}$ °C to establish rating factors, unless otherwise specified.

6.1.6.4 Non-pressure fittings

For non-pressure fittings, PN as used in ISO 18851 is 1 bar.

Pipes and laminates for fabricated non-pressure fittings or moulded non-pressure fittings shall meet the requirements for minimum longitudinal tensile strength of pipes, PN ≤ 4, as specified in [Table 14](#).

6.1.6.5 Test piece

A test piece shall comprise a fitting such that the total laying length, L , is not less than specified by the manufacturer and meets the requirements of the test methods described in ISO 18851.

6.1.6.6 Number of test pieces for type testing

For testing in accordance with ISO 18851, unless otherwise specified, one test piece shall be used.

6.1.7 Installed leaktightness of fittings

Where a specific site installation test is declared by the purchaser or is agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, the fitting and its joints shall be capable of withstanding that test without leakage.

6.1.8 Dimensions

The broad design and process flexibility afforded by GRP-UP materials makes it difficult to totally standardize GRP-UP fitting dimensions. The dimensions and tolerances given as minimums in the following subclauses are to be taken as only indicative of common practice values and it is therefore permissible to use other dimensions. The use of other dimensions does not preclude the components from being covered by this document.

6.2 Bends

6.2.1 Classification of bends

6.2.1.1 General

Bends shall be designated in respect of the following:

- a) the nominal size (DN);
- b) the diameter series, e.g. A, B1, B2;
- c) the nominal pressure (PN);

- d) the nominal stiffness (SN);
- e) the joint type, i.e. flexible or rigid and whether or not end-load-bearing;
- f) the fitting angle, in degrees;
- g) the bend type, i.e. moulded or fabricated;
- h) the pipe type, if applicable.

6.2.1.2 Nominal size (DN)

The nominal size (DN) of the fitting shall be that of the straight length of pipe to which it is to be joined in the piping system and shall be one of the nominal sizes given in [Table 3](#).

6.2.1.3 Bend type

The type of bend shall be designated as either moulded or fabricated, as shown in [Figures 3](#) and [4](#).

6.2.2 Dimensions and tolerances of bends

6.2.2.1 Tolerance on diameter

The tolerance on the diameter of the bend at the spigot positions shall conform to [5.2.1.4](#).

6.2.2.2 Fitting angle and angular tolerances

The fitting angle, α , is the angular change in direction of the axis of the bend (see [Figures 3](#) and [4](#)).

The deviation of the actual change in direction of a bend shall not exceed either $(\alpha \pm 0,5)^\circ$ if the joint is flanged or $(\alpha \pm 1)^\circ$ for all other types of joint in which it is intended to be used.

In the interest of rationalization, preferred values for the fitting angles of bends are 11,25°, 15°, 22,5°, 30°, 45°, 60° and 90°, but fitting angles other than these may be supplied by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

6.2.2.3 Radius of curvature, R

6.2.2.3.1 Moulded bends

The radius of curvature, R , of moulded bends (see [Figure 3](#)) shall not be less than the nominal size (DN), in mm, of the pipe to which the bend is to be joined in the piping system.

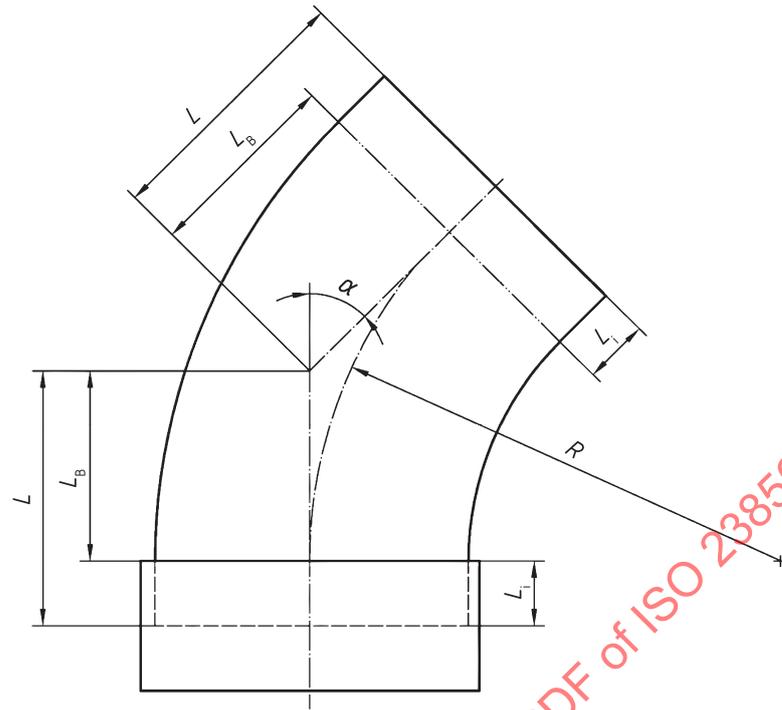
The typical radius of curvature is $R = 1,5 \times \text{DN}$, expressed in mm. Where a radius of curvature different to this is required, this may be supplied by declaration and agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer (see [6.1.8](#)).

6.2.2.3.2 Fabricated bends

Bends made by fabrication from straight pipe (see [Figure 4](#)) shall not provide more than 30° angular change for each segment of the bend. The base of each segment shall have sufficient length adjacent to each joint to ensure that external wrapping can be accommodated.

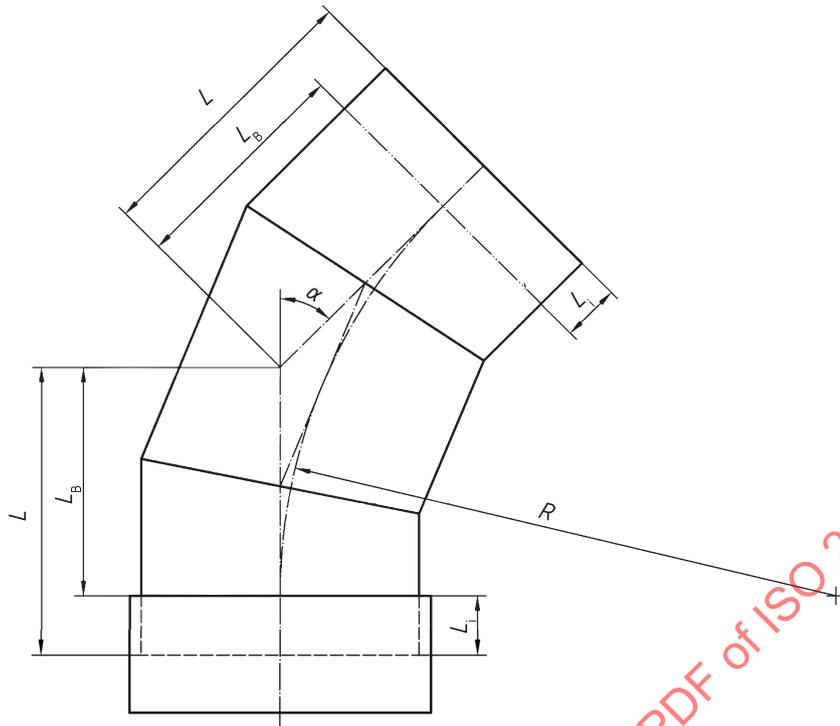
The radius of curvature, R , of fabricated bends shall not be less than the nominal size (DN), in mm, of the pipe to which the bend is to be joined in the piping system.

The typical radius of curvature is $R = 1,5 \times \text{DN}$ in mm. Where a radius of curvature different to this is required, this may be supplied by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer (see [6.1.8](#)).

**Key**

- L_B body length
- L laying length
- L_i insertion depth
- α fitting angle
- R radius of curvature

Figure 3 — Typical moulded bend



Key

- L_B body length
- L laying length
- L_i insertion depth
- α fitting angle
- R radius of curvature

Figure 4 — Typical fabricated bend

6.2.2.4 Length

6.2.2.4.1 General

Lengths of individual bends are dependent upon the designated fitting angle, the radius of curvature, and the length of any linear extensions provided for jointing or other purposes. The declared or specified laying length, L (see 6.2.2.4.2), shall conform to the tolerances given in 6.2.2.4.4.

6.2.2.4.2 Laying length

The laying length, L , of the bend shall be taken as the distance from one end of the bend, excluding the spigot insertion depth of a socket end where applicable, projected along the axis of that end of the bend to the point of intersection with the axis of the other end of the bend.

For an end of a bend containing a spigot, the laying length, L , shall be taken as the body length, L_B , plus the insertion depth, L_i (see Figure 4).

6.2.2.4.3 Body length

The body length of the bend, L_B , shall be taken as the distance, from the point of intersection of the two axes of the bend to a point on either axis, equal to the laying length minus one insertion depth, L_i .

6.2.2.4.4 Tolerances on laying length

For moulded bends, the permitted deviation of the laying length from the declared value is $(L \pm 25)$ mm.

For fabricated bends, the permitted deviation of the laying length from the declared value is $[L \pm (15 \times \text{the number of metres of the bend})]$, in mm.

6.3 Branches

6.3.1 Classification of branches

6.3.1.1 General

Branches shall be designated in respect of the following:

- a) the nominal size (DN);
- b) the diameter series, e.g. A, B1, B2;
- c) the nominal pressure (PN);
- d) the nominal stiffness (SN);
- e) the joint type, i.e. flexible or rigid and whether or not end-loadbearing;
- f) the fitting angle, in degrees;
- g) the branch type, i.e. moulded or fabricated;
- h) the pipe type, if applicable.

6.3.1.2 Nominal size (DN)

The nominal size (DN) of the fitting shall be that of the straight length of pipe to which the fitting is to be joined in the piping system and shall be one of the nominal sizes given in [Table 3](#).

6.3.1.3 Fitting angle

The fitting angle, α , which is the angular change in direction of the axis of the branch (see [Figure 5](#)).

6.3.1.4 Branch type

The type of branch shall be designated as shown in [Figure 5](#).

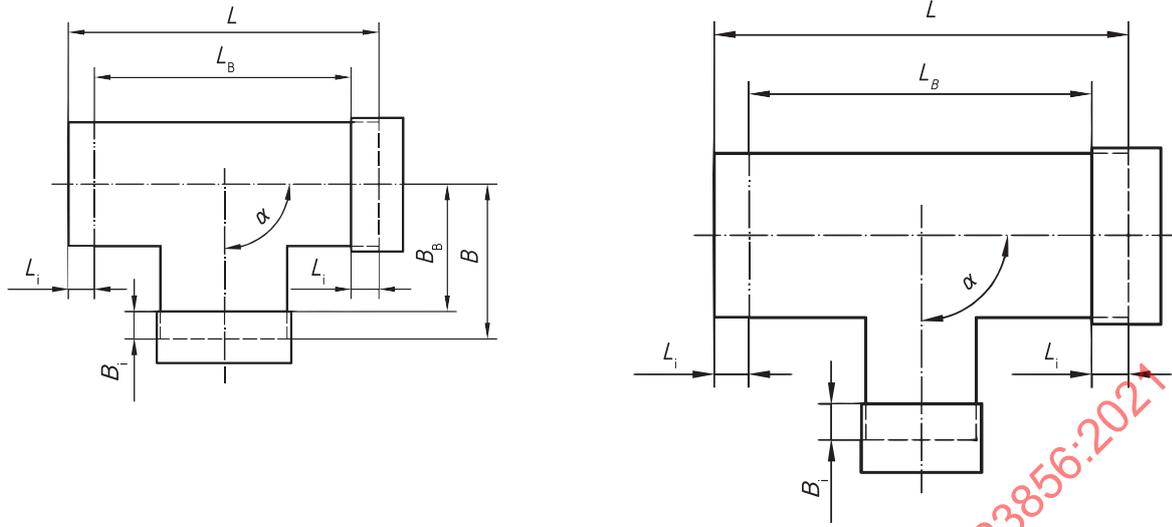
6.3.2 Dimensions and tolerances of branches

6.3.2.1 Tolerances on diameter

The tolerances on the diameter of the branch at the spigot positions shall conform to [5.2.1.4](#).

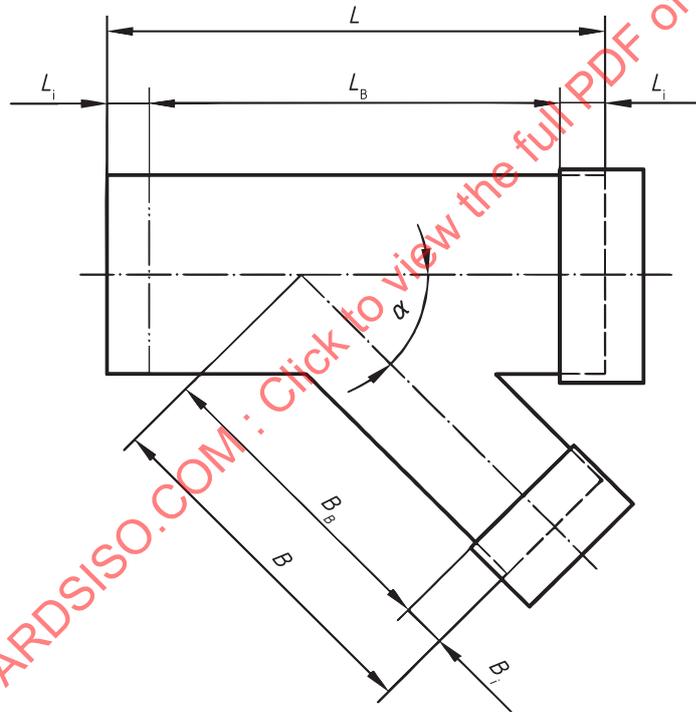
6.3.2.2 Angular tolerances

Any deviation from the declared change in direction of a branch shall not exceed either $(\alpha \pm 0,5)^\circ$, if the joint is flanged, or $(\alpha \pm 1)^\circ$ for all other types of joint with which the branch is intended to be used.



a) Equal tee branch

b) Unequal tee branch



c) Unequal oblique branch

Key

- α fitting angle
- B laying length of branch pipe
- B_B offset length of branch pipe
- B_i spigot insertion depth of branch pipe
- L laying length of main pipe
- L_B body length of main pipe
- L_i spigot insertion depth of main pipe

Figure 5 — Typical branches

6.3.2.3 Length

6.3.2.3.1 General

Dimensions other than those specified can be used by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer (see 6.1.8).

The branch pipe shall be designed to resist longitudinal end-loading due to end thrust. The header pipe can be designed either to resist the longitudinal end-load thrust or not.

6.3.2.3.2 Body length

The body length, L_B , of the fitting (see Figure 5) shall be equal to the laying length of the main pipe minus two insertion depths, L_i . The body length will be dependent on the fabrication process and the length as may be needed to provide for layups (either internal or external or both).

6.3.2.3.3 Offset length

The offset length, B_B , of the branch pipe (see Figure 5) shall be taken as the distance from the end of the branch pipe, excluding, where applicable, the spigot insertion depth of a socketed end, to the point of intersection of the straight-through axis of the fitting with the extended axis of the branch pipe.

The offset length, B_B , of the branch pipe of equal tee branches shall be 50 % of the body length, L_B .

6.3.2.3.4 Laying length

For the main pipe of a branch containing a spigot and a socket, the laying length, L , is the body length, L_B , plus the insertion depth, L_i , at the spigot end (see Figure 5). For the main pipe of a branch containing two spigots, the laying length, L , is the body length, L_B , plus two insertion depths, L_i .

6.3.2.3.5 Tolerances on length

6.3.2.3.5.1 Branches for use with rigid joints

The permissible deviation from the manufacturer's declared offset length and body length of the branch is given in Table 17.

Table 17 — Deviation from declared length of branches for use with rigid joints

Nominal size DN mm	Limits of deviation from declared length mm
$100 \leq [DN] < 300$	$\pm 1,5$
$300 \leq [DN] < 600$	$\pm 2,5$
$600 \leq [DN] \leq 1\ 000$	$\pm 4,0$

6.3.2.3.5.2 Branches for use with flexible joints

The permissible deviation from the manufacturer's declared offset length and body length of the branch is ± 25 mm or ± 1 % of the laying length, whichever is the larger.

6.4 Reducers

6.4.1 Classification of reducers

6.4.1.1 General

Reducers shall be designated in respect of the following:

- a) the nominal sizes (DN_1 and DN_2);
- b) the diameter series, e.g. A, B1, B2;
- c) the nominal pressure (PN);
- d) the nominal stiffness (SN);
- e) the joint type, i.e. flexible or rigid and whether or not end-loadbearing;
- f) the reducer type, i.e. concentric or eccentric;
- g) the pipe type, if applicable.

6.4.1.2 Nominal size (DN)

The nominal sizes DN_1 and DN_2 of the reducer shall be the same as those of the straight lengths of pipe to which it is to be joined in the piping system and shall conform to the nominal sizes given in [Table 3](#).

6.4.1.3 Reducer type

The type of reducer shall be designated as either concentric or eccentric (see [Figure 6](#)).

6.4.2 Dimensions and tolerances of reducers

6.4.2.1 Tolerance on diameter

The tolerance on the diameter of the reducer at the spigot positions shall conform to [5.2.1.4](#).

6.4.2.2 Length

6.4.2.2.1 General

The lengths L , L_B and L_T in [Figure 6](#) shall be as declared by the manufacturer and be subject to the tolerances given in [6.3.2.3.5](#).

6.4.2.2.2 Laying length

The laying length, L , of the reducer shall be taken as the total length, excluding the spigot insertion depth of a socket end, where applicable.

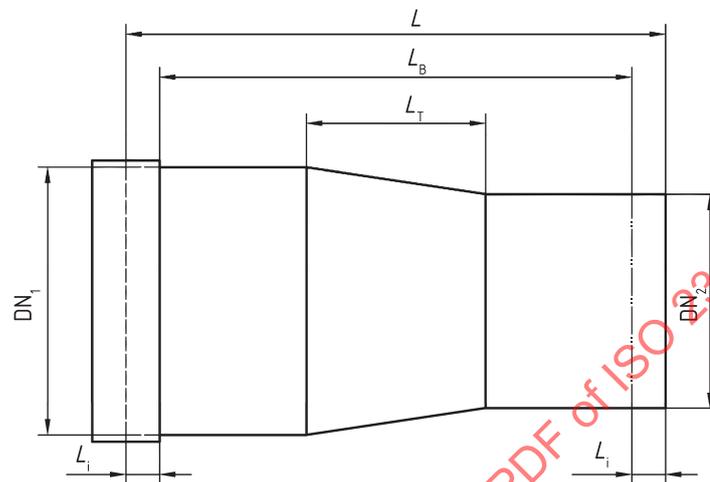
6.4.2.2.3 Body length

The body length, L_B , of the reducer (see [Figure 6](#)) is the laying length, L , minus two spigot insertion depths, L_i .

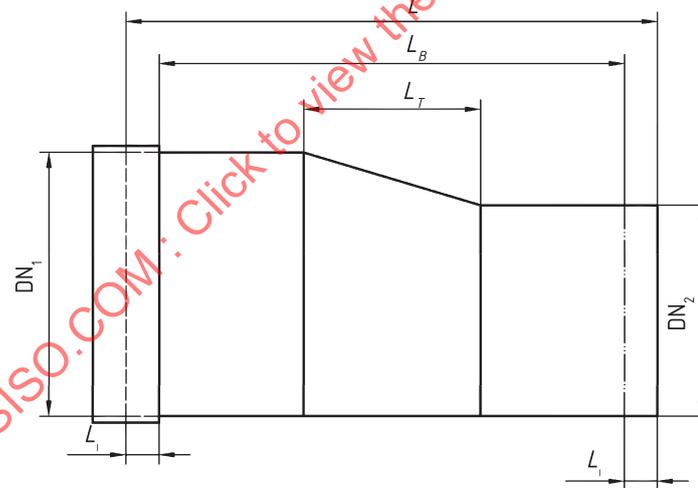
6.4.2.2.4 Length of tapered section

The length, L_T , of the tapered section (see [Figure 6](#)) shall not be less than $1,5 \times (DN_1 - DN_2)$, expressed in mm.

NOTE For reasons of hydraulic capacity, it is normal practice when designing a non-pressure eccentric reducer for L_T to be lower than that for an equivalent concentric reducer.



a) Concentric reducer



b) Eccentric reducer

Key

- L laying length
- L_B body length
- L_T length of tapered section
- L_i spigot insertion depth
- DN_1 larger nominal size
- DN_2 smaller nominal size

Figure 6 — Concentric and eccentric reducers

6.4.2.2.5 Tolerances on laying lengths

6.4.2.2.5.1 Reducers for use with rigid joints

The permissible deviation from the manufacturer's declared laying length, L , of the reducer is as given in [Table 16](#) for branches.

6.4.2.2.5.2 Reducers for use with flexible joints

The permissible deviation from the manufacturer's declared laying length, L , of the reducer is ($L \pm 50$) mm or ($L \pm 1$) %, whichever is the greater.

6.4.2.3 Mechanical characteristics of tapered-section laminate

To verify the properties of the laminate used in the tapered section, make panels using the same materials and lay-up as used for the tapered section of the reducer.

When tested in accordance with ISO 527-4 or ISO 527-5, as applicable, test pieces taken from the panel shall have an initial circumferential tensile strength, σ_t , of at least 80 N/mm².

6.5 Non-pressure saddles

6.5.1 Classification of saddles

6.5.1.1 General

The branch pipes can be made of other materials than glass reinforced thermosetting plastics, i.e. it is a common practice to provide saddles that are used for the connection to thermoplastic pipe systems. Saddles are intended for non-pressure applications only.

Saddles shall be designated in respect of the following:

- a) the nominal size (DN);
- b) the diameter series, e.g. A, B1, B2;
- c) the nominal pressure (PN1);
- d) the joint type, i.e. flexible or rigid and whether or not end-load-bearing;
- e) the fitting angle, α ;
- f) the pipe type, if applicable.

6.5.1.2 Nominal size (DN)

The nominal size (DN) of the saddle shall be a combination of the nominal size of the main pipe to which it is to be connected in the pipeline and the nominal size of the branch pipe. The nominal size of the main pipe shall be one of the nominal sizes given in [Table 3](#). The nominal size of the branch pipe shall be one of those given in the appropriate standard for the pipe to which the branch pipe is to be joined.

NOTE The designation DN 600/150 indicates a saddle for connecting a DN 150 branch line to a DN 600 pipeline.

6.5.1.3 Fitting angle

The fitting angle, α , is the nominal angular change in direction of the axis of the saddle (see [Figure 7](#)).

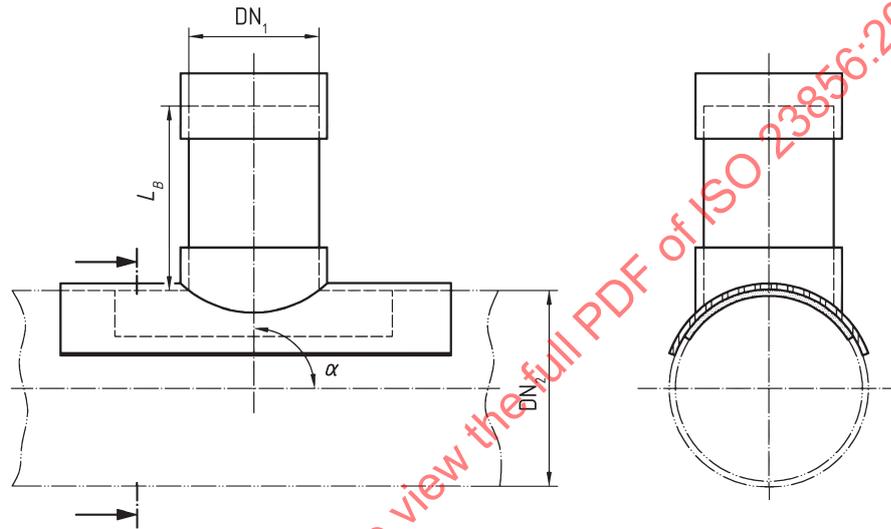
6.5.2 Dimensions of saddles and associated tolerances

6.5.2.1 Tolerance on diameter

The tolerance on the diameter of the branch pipe at the joint position shall conform to [5.2.1.4](#), if applicable.

6.5.2.2 Length

The length of the branch, L_B , depends upon the fitting angle, α , and the length provided for jointing or other purposes. The length of the branch pipe shall not normally be less than 300 mm, although other lengths may be used by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer.



Key

- DN₁ nominal size of branch pipe
- DN₂ nominal size of main pipe
- L_B length of branch pipe
- α fitting angle

Figure 7 — Typical non-pressure saddle

6.6 Flanges

6.6.1 Classification of flanges

6.6.1.1 General

Flanged adaptors shall be designated in respect of the following:

- a) the nominal size (DN);
- b) the diameter series, e.g A, B1, B2;
- c) the nominal pressure (PN);
- d) end-load-bearing or non-end-load-bearing;
- e) gasket sealing system, i.e. flat face, raised face, O-ring groove;

- f) the flange drilling:
 - 1) reference standard, if applicable;
 - 2) bolt hole circle;
 - 3) number of bolt holes;
 - 4) bolt hole diameter;
 - 5) bolt size specification;
 - 6) washer diameter;
- g) flange type:
 - 1) fabricated on pipe section;
 - 2) loose steel ring flange;
 - 3) bonded ring flange.

6.6.1.2 Nominal size (DN)

The nominal size (DN) of the flange shall be that of the straight length of pipe to which it is to be joined in the piping system and shall be one of the nominal sizes given in [Table 3](#).

6.6.1.3 Flange designation

The mating characteristics of the flange shall conform to the purchaser's requirements, e.g. bolt circle, bolt hole diameter, flat or raised face, flange outer diameter and washer diameter.

NOTE Flanges are frequently specified by reference to a specification that includes PN. This PN is not necessarily the same as the PN for the flange adaptor.

The flange manufacturer shall supply full information on the flange, the gasket, the allowable bolt torque, the degree and nature of the bolt lubrication, and the bolt-tightening sequence.

6.6.2 Dimensions and tolerances for adaptors

6.6.2.1 Diameter

For flanges supplied as adaptors, i.e. flange on one end and spigot on the other (see [Figure 8](#)), the tolerance on the diameter of the adaptor at the spigot position shall conform to [5.2.1.4](#).