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**Rubber hoses and hose assemblies for  
water suction and discharge —  
Specification**

*Tuyaux et flexibles en caoutchouc pour aspiration et refoulement  
d'eau — Spécifications*

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## Foreword

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ISO 4641 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 45, *Rubber and rubber products*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Hoses (rubber and plastics)*.

This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 4641:2005), which has been technically revised. The following changes have been made:

- the pressures in megapascals have been introduced in the tables and text next to the pressures given in bars;
- modifications have been made to the wording used in Clause 9 and in Annexes A and B.

# Rubber hoses and hose assemblies for water suction and discharge — Specification

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the minimum requirements for textile-reinforced, smooth-bore rubber water-suction and discharge hoses and hose assemblies.

Three types of hoses and hose assemblies are specified according to their operating duty requirements, i.e. their ambient and water temperature ranges:

- ambient temperatures:  $-25\text{ °C}$  to  $+70\text{ °C}$ ;
- water temperatures during operation:  $0\text{ °C}$  to  $+70\text{ °C}$ .

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 37, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tensile stress-strain properties*

ISO 188, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Accelerated ageing and heat resistance tests*

ISO 1307:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Hose sizes, minimum and maximum inside diameters, and tolerances on cut-to-length hoses*

ISO 1402, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Hydrostatic testing*

ISO 1746, *Rubber or plastics hoses and tubing — Bending tests<sup>1)</sup>*

ISO 2393, *Rubber test mixes — Preparation, mixing and vulcanization — Equipment and procedures*

ISO 4671, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Methods of measurement of the dimensions of hoses and the lengths of hose assemblies*

ISO 4672:1997, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Sub-ambient temperature flexibility tests<sup>2)</sup>*

ISO 7233:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Determination of resistance to vacuum*

ISO 7326:2006, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Assessment of ozone resistance under static conditions*

ISO 8033, *Rubber and plastics hoses — Determination of adhesion between components*

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1) Under revision as ISO 10619-1.

2) Under revision as ISO 10619-2.

ISO 8330, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Vocabulary*

ISO 8331, *Rubber and plastics hoses and hose assemblies — Guidelines for selection, storage, use and maintenance*

### **3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 8330 apply.

### **4 Classification**

Hoses and hose assemblies for this application are classified into three types according to their operating duty requirements:

- Type 1: Light-duty hoses for suction service to  $-0,063$  MPa ( $-0,63$  bar) and for discharge pressures up to  $0,3$  MPa (3 bar).
- Type 2: Medium-duty hoses for suction service to  $-0,08$  MPa ( $-0,8$  bar) and for discharge pressures up to  $0,5$  MPa (5 bar).
- Type 3: Heavy-duty hoses for suction service to  $-0,097$  MPa ( $-0,97$  bar) and for discharge pressures up to  $1,0$  MPa (10 bar).

### **5 Couplings and end fittings**

Hoses shall be fitted with end fittings/couplings to form hose assemblies. Annex C lists types of coupling and end fitting.

### **6 Materials and construction**

#### **6.1 Lining**

The lining shall consist of suitably compounded water-resistant natural or synthetic rubber. Its internal surface shall be smooth and free from imperfections which could impair the expected use.

#### **6.2 Reinforcement**

The reinforcement shall consist of a suitable textile material and may contain a helix that can be metallic wire or of another suitable material.

#### **6.3 Cover**

The cover shall consist of suitably compounded natural or synthetic rubber. Its external surface may be corrugated or fluted. An external helix is optional and can be either metallic wire or of another suitable material.

### **7 Dimensions and tolerances**

#### **7.1 Bore (inside diameter)**

The nominal size range is 16 to 315 with bore diameters and tolerances as shown in Table 3.

## 7.2 Enlarged ends

Where enlarged ends are required, the dimensions and tolerances shall be specified by agreement between the purchaser and the manufacturer. The design of the enlarged end shall take into account the hose performance requirements.

## 7.3 Unit lengths

The unit lengths shall be determined according to the conditions of use as specified by the purchaser. The tolerances, unless otherwise agreed between the purchaser and the manufacturer, shall be those specified in ISO 1307:2006, Table 2.

## 7.4 Lining

When measured in accordance with ISO 4671, the minimum thickness of the lining shall be 1,5 mm. See Table 4.

## 7.5 Cover

When measured in accordance with ISO 4671, the minimum thickness of the cover shall be 2 mm. If the cover is fluted, the depth of the flutes shall be not greater than 50 % of the cover thickness. See Table 4.

# 8 Physical properties

## 8.1 Rubber compounds

### 8.1.1 General

Wherever possible, all tests shall be carried out on test pieces cut from the finished hose. Otherwise, take samples from test sheets prepared in accordance with ISO 2393 and vulcanized to the same degree as the hose.

The physical properties of the rubber compounds used for the lining and cover shall conform to the values given in Table 1.

### 8.1.2 Tensile strength and elongation at break of rubber lining and cover

When tested in accordance with ISO 37, the lining and cover shall have a tensile strength and elongation at break of not less than the values given in Table 1.

### 8.1.3 Resistance to ageing

After ageing as specified in ISO 188 for 3 days at a temperature of  $100\text{ °C} \pm 1\text{ °C}$ , the tensile strength and elongation at break of the lining and cover, as determined by ISO 37, shall not vary by more than  $\pm 25\%$  and  $\pm 50\%$ , respectively, from the initial values.

**Table 1 — Physical properties of rubber compounds**

| Property                                                 | Unit | Requirements |       | Method of test                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                          |      | Lining       | Cover |                                                                     |
| Tensile strength, min.                                   | MPa  | 7            | 7     | ISO 37 (dumb-bell test piece)                                       |
| Elongation at break, min.                                | %    | 200          | 200   | ISO 37 (dumb-bell test piece)                                       |
| Resistance to ageing:                                    |      |              |       | ISO 188 (3 days at 100 °C ± 1 °C);<br>ISO 37 (dumb-bell test piece) |
| Change in tensile strength from original value (max.)    | %    | ±25          | ±25   |                                                                     |
| Change in elongation at break from original value (max.) | %    | ±50          | ±50   |                                                                     |

**8.2 Performance requirements for hoses and hose assemblies**

**8.2.1 Hydrostatic-pressure requirements (proof pressure test)**

The proof pressure test shall be carried out on full lengths of finished hose and on hose assemblies. When tested in accordance with ISO 1402, the hose (and the hose assembly) shall meet the requirements of Table 2. The maximum variation in length and outside diameter at maximum working pressure shall be ±7 %, and the hose/hose assembly shall not burst or fail by showing signs of leakage, cracking, abrupt distortion indicating irregularities in material or manufacture, or other signs of failure. See Table 4.

**Table 2 — Hydrostatic-pressure requirements**

| Hose type | Maximum working pressure |     | Proof pressure |     | Minimum burst pressure |     |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----|----------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
|           | MPa                      | bar | MPa            | bar | MPa                    | bar |
| 1         | 0,3                      | 3   | 0,5            | 5   | 1,0                    | 10  |
| 2         | 0,5                      | 5   | 0,8            | 8   | 1,6                    | 16  |
| 3         | 1,0                      | 10  | 1,5            | 15  | 3,0                    | 30  |

**8.2.2 Burst test**

When tested by the method specified in ISO 1402, hoses shall meet the requirements of Table 2.

**8.2.3 Resistance to bending (minimum bend radius as a function of nominal size)**

When subjected to the minimum bend radii given in Table 3, in accordance with one of the methods specified in ISO 1746<sup>3)</sup> (the method chosen to be the most appropriate one for the size of hose), hoses shall show no kinking, breaking or peeling under visual examination. The value of *T/D* shall not be lower than 0,95.

3) Under revision as ISO 10619-1.

Table 3 — Nominal sizes, tolerances and minimum bend radii

| Nominal size | Inside diameter<br>mm |       | Minimum bend radius<br>mm |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------|---------------------------|
|              | min.                  | max.  |                           |
| 16           | 15,4                  | 16,6  | 50                        |
| 20           | 19,4                  | 20,6  | 60                        |
| 25           | 24,2                  | 25,8  | 75                        |
| 31,5         | 30,5                  | 32,5  | 95                        |
| 40           | 39,0                  | 41,0  | 120                       |
| 50           | 48,8                  | 51,2  | 150                       |
| 63           | 61,8                  | 64,2  | 250                       |
| 80           | 78,6                  | 81,4  | 320                       |
| 100          | 98,4                  | 101,6 | 500                       |
| 125          | 123,4                 | 126,6 | 750                       |
| 150          | 148,0                 | 152,0 | 960                       |
| 160          | 158,0                 | 162,0 | 980                       |
| 200          | 197,5                 | 202,5 | 1 200                     |
| 250          | 247,0                 | 253,0 | 1 500                     |
| 315          | 312,0                 | 318,0 | 1 900                     |

#### 8.2.4 Resistance to suction flattening

The test shall be carried out in accordance with ISO 7233:2006. The test conditions shall be as follows:

- $-0,063$  MPa ( $-0,63$  bar) for type 1;
- $-0,08$  MPa ( $-0,80$  bar) for type 2;
- $-0,097$  MPa ( $-0,97$  bar) for type 3.

Duration of test: 10 min.

For hoses of nominal inside diameter greater than 80 mm (ISO 7233:2006, method C), the measured collapse shall not exceed 5 % of the nominal inside diameter.

#### 8.2.5 Low-temperature flexibility

When tested at  $-25$  °C by method B of ISO 4672:1997<sup>4)</sup>, all types of hose shall be free of cracks and shall pass the proof pressure test as specified in 8.2.1.

#### 8.2.6 Adhesion

When determined in accordance with ISO 8033, the adhesion between the various components (except the helix, when included in the construction of the hose wall) shall be not less than 2 kN/m. See Table 4.

4) Under revision as ISO 10619-2.

8.2.7 Ozone resistance of the cover

When tested in accordance with method 2 of ISO 7326:2006, all types of hose shall be free of cracks. See Table 4.

Table 4 — Physical properties of finished hoses and hose assemblies

| Property                                               | Unit      | Requirement                             | Method of test          |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Hose dimensions</b>                                 |           |                                         |                         |
| Inside diameter                                        | mm        | See Table 3                             | ISO 4671                |
| Cover thickness                                        | mm        | Min. 2                                  | ISO 4671                |
| Lining thickness                                       | mm        | Min. 1,5                                | ISO 4671                |
| Length tolerance                                       | %         | See ISO 1307:2006, Table 2              | ISO 4671                |
| <b>Hose/hose assembly tests</b>                        |           |                                         |                         |
| Proof pressure                                         | MPa (bar) | See 8.2.1 and Table 2                   | ISO 1402                |
| Variation in length at max. working pressure           | %         | Max. ±7                                 | ISO 1402                |
| Variation in outside diameter at max. working pressure | %         | Max. ±7                                 | ISO 4671                |
| Burst pressure (min.)                                  | MPa (bar) | See 8.2.2 and Table 2                   | ISO 1402                |
| Vacuum test                                            | MPa (bar) | See 8.2.4                               | ISO 7233:2006           |
| Resistance to bending                                  | —         | See 8.2.3 and Table 3                   | ISO 1746                |
| Low-temperature flexibility                            | —         | See 8.2.5                               | ISO 4672:1997, method B |
| Adhesion between components                            | kN/m      | Min. 2                                  | ISO 8033                |
| Ozone resistance (cover)                               | —         | No cracking observed at 0 magnification | ISO 7326:2006, method 2 |

9 Frequency of testing

Type and routine testing shall be as specified in Annex A.

Type testing is carried out in order to confirm that all the material, construction and test requirements specified in this International Standard have been met by the method of manufacture and the hose design. Type testing shall be repeated at intervals of, at the most, five years, or whenever a change in the method of manufacture or the materials occurs, and shall be performed on the largest-diameter hose of each design in the manufacturer's range for each type.

Routine tests are those tests carried out on each length of finished hose or hose assembly.

Production tests are those tests carried out per batch (see the schedule given in Annex B, which is for guidance only).

## 10 Marking

### 10.1 Hoses

The hose shall be indelibly and legibly marked, at intervals of not more than 1 m on the outer cover, with at least the following information:

- a) the manufacturer's name or trade mark;
- b) the manufacturer's product identification;
- c) the number and year of publication of this International Standard (i.e. ISO 4641:2010);
- d) the hose classification (i.e. the type);
- e) the nominal size;
- f) the maximum working pressure [in megapascals and in bars, with the units indicated, e.g. 1 MPa (10 bar)];
- g) the quarter and year of manufacture.

EXAMPLE      MAN/XXX/ISO 4641:2010/Type 3/size 250/1 MPa (10 bar)/4Q2010

### 10.2 Hose assemblies

The couplings/end fittings shall be permanently marked with the following minimum information:

- a) the name or identification of the producer/assembler of the hose assembly;
- b) the maximum working pressure of the assembly [in megapascals and in bars, with the units indicated, e.g. 1 MPa (10 bar)];
- c) two digits indicating the month of assembly followed by a slash and the last two digits of the year of assembly (e.g. 12/10);
- d) the name or logo of the coupling manufacturer;
- e) (optional) identification of the coupling/end fitting material (if required by the purchaser).

EXAMPLE      MAN/1 MPa (10 bar)/12/10 + coupling manufacturer's logo and identification of material

## 11 Test report/certificate

When requested by the purchaser, the manufacturer or supplier shall provide a test report or test certificate with each length of hose or batch of hoses supplied to the purchaser.

## 12 Packaging and storage

Packaging and storage shall be in accordance with ISO 8331.

**Annex A**  
(normative)

**Type tests and routine tests**

Table A.1 gives the tests to be carried out for type and routine testing as defined in Clause 9.

**Table A.1**

| Property                                     | Type testing | Routine testing |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| <b>Compound tests</b>                        |              |                 |
| Tensile strength and elongation at break     | X            | N.A.            |
| Resistance to ageing                         | X            | N.A.            |
| <b>Hose tests</b>                            |              |                 |
| Adhesion                                     | X            | N.A.            |
| Ozone resistance (cover)                     | X            | N.A.            |
| Resistance to bending                        | X            | N.A.            |
| Low-temperature flexibility                  | X            | N.A.            |
| Inside diameter                              | X            | X               |
| Thickness of lining                          | X            | N.A.            |
| Thickness of cover                           | X            | N.A.            |
| Resistance to suction                        | X            | X               |
| Resistance to proof pressure                 | X            | X               |
| Variation in length at max. working pressure | X            | X               |
| Variation in O.D. at max. working pressure   | X            | X               |
| Burst strength                               | X            | N.A.            |
| <b>Hose assembly tests</b>                   |              |                 |
| Length of assembly                           | X            | X               |
| Resistance to suction                        | X            | X               |
| Resistance to proof pressure                 | X            | X               |
| Variation in length at max. working pressure | X            | X               |
| Variation in O.D. at max. working pressure   | X            | X               |
| Burst strength                               | X            | N.A.            |
| X Test shall be carried out.                 |              |                 |
| N.A. Test not applicable.                    |              |                 |