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Ortsfeste Tanks aus Thermoplasten für die oberirdische Lagerung von Heizölen, Kerosin und Dieselkraftstoffen -Tanks, die aus blasgeformtem Polyethylen, rotationsgeformtem Polyethylen und durch anionische Polymerisation von Polyamid 6 hergestellt wurden -Anforderungen und Prüfverfahren

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Foreword

This document (EN 13341:2005) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 266 "Thermoplastic static tanks", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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Introduction

This document has been prepared to provide requirements and test methods for materials, physical properties, and performance criteria of blow moulded and rotationally moulded static thermoplastics tanks.

This document does not include tanks for the transport and distribution of fuels or gasses, or tanks for the storage of gas or for cooling systems.

Flammable liquids with a flash point > 55 °C as determined by EN ISO 2719 are suitable to be stored in the tanks described in this document without further requirements.

Flammable liquids with a flash point \leq 55 °C as determined by EN ISO 2719 are also suitable to be stored in the tanks described in this document if the requirements concerning electrostatic behaviour according to CLC/TR 50404 are fulfilled.

The attention of the user should be drawn to national safety and environmental regulations or other regulations that apply when installing thermoplastic tanks, and the suitability of fuels to be stored therein.

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for materials, physical properties and performance of single blow moulded and rotationally moulded polyethylene tanks or polyamide 6 (by anionic polymerisation) tanks, with or without reinforcements, for above ground storage of domestic heating oil, kerosene and diesel fuels.

It is only applicable to static blow moulded and rotationally moulded polyethylene tanks and polyamide 6 (by anionic polymerisation) tanks that are subject to atmospheric pressure and have a capacity from 450 l up to 10 000 l.

This document does not consider the consequences of wind or snow loading which is considered to be an installation issue.

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.

EN 13160-1, Leak detection systems — Part 1: General principles

EN 13160-2, Leak detection systems — Part 2: Pressure and vacuum systems

EN 13160-3, Leak detection systems — Part 3: Liquid systems for tanks

EN 13160-4, Leak detection systems — Part 4: Liquid and/or vapour sensor systems for use in leakage containments or interstitial spaces

EN 13160-5, Leak detection systems — Part 5: Tank gauge leak detection systems

EN 13160-6, Leak detection systems — Part 6: Sensors in monitoring wells

EN 13160-7, Leak detection systems — Part 7: General requirements and test methods for interstitial spaces, leak protecting linings and leak protecting jackets

EN 13501-1, Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Part 1. Classification using test data from reaction to fire tests

EN 13616, Overfill prevention devices for static tanks for liquid petroleum fuels

EN ISO 175, Plastics — Methods of test for the determination of the effects of immersion in liquid chemicals (ISO 175:1999)

EN ISO 527-3:1995, Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 3: Test conditions for films and sheets (ISO 527-3:1995)

EN ISO 960, Plastics — Polyamides (PA) — Determination of water content (ISO 960:1998)

EN ISO 1133:1999, Plastics — Determination of the melt mass-flow rate (MFR) and the melt volume-flow rate (MVR) of thermoplastics (ISO 1133:1997)

EN ISO 1183-1, Plastics - Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics - Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pyknometer method and titration method (ISO 1183-1:2004)

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EN ISO 1183-2, Plastics - Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics - Part 2: Density gradient column method (ISO 1183-2:2004)

EN ISO 1872-2, Plastics — Polyethylene (PE) moulding and extrusion materials — Part 2: Preparation of test specimens and determination of properties (ISO 1872-2:1997)

EN ISO 4892-1, Plastics — Method of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 1: General guidance (ISO 4892-1:1999)

EN ISO 4892-2, Plastics — Method of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 2: Xenon-arc sources (ISO 4892-2:1994)

CLC/TR 50404, Electrostatics — Code of practice for the avoidance of hazards due to static electricity

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

tank

container for the storage of domestic heating, kerosene and diesel fuels at atmospheric pressure which retains its designed shape without any reinforcements when empty

3.2

brimful capacity (of a tank)

volume of water held by the tank filled through the filling orifice to the point of overflowing

3.3

maximum filling capacity (of a tank)

value of 95 % of the brimful capacity

4 Requirements

4.1 Materials

4.1.1 General

Raw materials and samples taken from tanks shall be tested and fulfil the requirements according to Table 1.

The proportion of regrind from the same material shall not exceed 50 % for blow-moulded tanks.

Regrind shall not be used for rotationally moulded tanks.

Tanks for external installation shall be sufficiently opaque so as to protect the contents from degradation by ultra violet light. The manufacturer may use visual or prescriptive means to demonstrate compliance with this requirement.

4.1.2 Reaction to fire

Where the product is subject to regulatory requirements, tanks made from polyethylene and polyamide 6 may be declared as Class F without further testing (CWFT) or the material shall be classified according to EN 13501-1, mounted and tested in conditions representative of the product's intended use.

4.1.3 Electrostatic behaviour

Electrostatic behaviour is not a characteristic of the tank or tank material but a phenomenon resulting from some storage media and the filling procedure. Manufacturers shall provide durable notices on all sizes of tanks with appropriate wording drawing the users attention to filling procedures according to CLC/TR 50404 for flammable liquids with a flash point $< 55\,^{\circ}$ C.

4.1.4 Release of dangerous substances

Materials used in products shall not release any dangerous substances in excess of the maximum permitted levels specified in a relevant European Standard for the material or permitted in the national regulations of the member state of destination.

Table 1 — Material requirements

Type of material	Property	Requirement	Test method
Blow moulded polyethylene	Density ^a	Shall not be less than 938 kg/m ³	A.1.1
polyoniylono	Melt flow rate b	elt flow rate b Shall be less than 12 g/10 min at 190 °C, 21,6 kg	
		Maximum increase of the melt flow rate of the moulded tank shall not be greater than 15 % of the value determined on the raw material.	
	Tensile strength ^C	Tensile strength at yield shall not be less than 21 MPa.	A.1.3
		Elongation at yield shall not be more than 15 %.	
	Resistance to oil ^C	Mass alteration shall be less than 10 %.	A.1.4
		Variation in tensile strength at yield shall not exceed 20 % of that measured in A.1.3.	
		Change in elongation at yield shall not exceed 150 % of that measured in A.1.3.	
Rotationally moulded polyethylene	Density ^a	A single polymer resin shall have a density not less than 934 kg/m ³ .	A.2.1
poryeutylene	Melt flow rate b	Shall be 4,0 g/10 min ± 3,0 g/10 min at 190 °C, 2,16 kg.	A.2.2
		Maximum variation of the melt flow rate of moulded tank shall not be greater than 20 % of the value determined on the raw material.	
	Tensile strength ^C	Tensile strength at yield shall not be less than 15 MPa.	A.2.3
		Elongation at yield shall not be more than 25 %.	
		The elongation at break shall not be less than 200 %.	
	Resistance to oil ^C	Mass alteration shall be less than 10 %.	A.2.4
		Variation in tensile strength at yield shall not exceed 20 % of that measured in A.2.3.	
		Change in elongation at break shall be less than 150 % of that measured in A.2.3.	
Polyamide 6	Tensile strength ^C	Tensile strength shall not be less than 30 MPa at yield.	A.3.1
(by anionic		Elongation shall be more than 20 % at break.	
polymerization)	Resistance to oil ^C	Mass alteration shall be less than 0,4 %.	A.3.2
		Variation in tensile strength shall not exceed 5 % of that measured in A.3.1.	
		Elongation at break shall be more than 20 %.	
	Colour bleed ^C	The bleed time of any sample shall not be less than 5,5 h.	A.3.3
Blow moulded Resistance to polyethylene weathering ^C		For external installations after exposure to total irradiance of 34 GJ/m ² , the elongation at break shall be greater than 50 % of the initial value.	A.1.3, A.1.5
Rotationally moulded polyethylene		For internal installations the elongation at break after exposure to total irradiance of 3,4 $\rm GJ/m^2$, shall be greater than 50 % of the initial elongation at break.	
Polyamide 6 (by anionic polymerisation)		The manufacturer shall ensure that changing the additive package does not decrease weather resistance.	A.3.1, A.3.4

a Test to be carried out on raw material.

b Test to be carried out on raw material and on sample taken from a tank.

C Test to be carried out on tank.

4.2 Design

4.2.1 Filling systems

In the case of direct fill, the aperture for filling shall be a minimum 38 mm in diameter and shall be covered with a cap or lid.

4.2.2 Supports

The manufacturer shall provide instructions for appropriate tank support.

4.2.3 Venting systems

All tanks shall be equipped with venting facilities. The minimum cross sectional area of the venting pipe shall not be less than the sum of the smallest cross sectional area of the filling system with a minimum diameter of 38 mm.

4.2.4 Suction/outlet system

Tanks shall be equipped with an opening permitting the safe and reliable connection of withdrawal systems. All fittings shall be corrosive resistant. The tank outlet may be installed above or below the liquid level.

4.2.5 Drainage

Where the outlet is installed below the liquid level, access shall be provided to allow the tank to be drained of sludge by means of a dip tube and pump.

4.2.6 Overflow alarm device

All tanks shall have provision for an overfill prevention system according to EN 13616.

4.2.7 Contents gauge connection facility

If the level of liquid can be seen through the walls of the tank a contents gauge is not required. In all other cases provision shall be made for a contents gauge to be fitted.

4.2.8 Leak detection system

If a leak detection system is used, it shall fulfil the requirements according to EN 13160-1 to 7.

4.2.9 Inspection facilities

Facilities for internal inspection (manholes, etc) of the tank/contents shall be designed so that they shall not affect the performance of the tank according to the requirements of this document.

5 Evaluation of conformity

5.1 General

The compliance of thermoplastic tanks with the requirements of this document and with the stated values (including classes) shall be demonstrated by:

initial type testing;

factory production control (FPC) by the manufacturer, including product assessment.

For the purposes of testing, thermoplastic tanks may be grouped into series, where it is considered that the selected property is common to all thermoplastic tanks within that family.

5.2 Type testing

5.2.1 Initial type testing

Initial type testing (ITT) shall be performed to demonstrate conformity with this document, for all product types.

Tests previously performed in accordance with the provisions of this document (same product, same characteristic(s), test method, sampling procedure, system of attestation of conformity, etc.) may be taken into account.

For a series of tanks produced by the same mould design, the initial type test shall be carried out on the largest tank of a series, whereby the tank height may differ by 20 % in a series. All the other aspects of the design remaining the same, a reduction of mass equal to the mass of the segment of tank is permitted.

All characteristics in Clause 4 shall be subject to ITT, with the exception of "release of dangerous substances" which may be assessed indirectly by controlling the content of the substance concerned.

5.2.2 Further type testing

Whenever one of the following changes occur the type tests shall be repeated (see Table 2).

- a) when the method of production is altered in such a way as to affect type test performance;
- b) when the manufacturer changes the base polymer grade used;
- c) when changes are made in the dimensions of wall thickness, height, diameter, length, width or configuration for any one tank capacity.

5.2.3 Sampling

A minimum of three samples for ITT shall be randomly selected from the production batch.

Test methods, given in Annexes A and B, which shall be used for ITT, are specified in Table 2.

Table 2 — Initial type testing of tanks

Type of tank	Property	Test Method	Circumstances requiring ITT in 5.2.2
Blow moulded polyethylene tanks	Density	A.1.1	
1	Melt flow rate	A.1.2	
	Tensile strength	A.1.3	b)
	Resistance to oil	A.1.4	
	Resistance to weathering	A.1.5	
Rotationally moulded	Density	A.2.1	
polyethylene tanks	Melt flow rate	A.2.2	
	Tensile strength	A.2.3	b)
1	Resistance to oil	A.2.4	
	Resistance to weathering	A.2.5	
Polyamide 6 tanks	Tensile strength	A.3.1	
by anionic polymerization	Resistance to oil	A.3.2	b)
	Colour bleed	A.3.3	
	Resistance to weathering	A.3.4	
1	Water content	B.9	
All tanks	Capacity	B.1	
	Visual appearance	B.2	
	Mass	B.3	a), b), c)
	Wall thickness	B.4	
1	Impact resistance	B.5	
	Deformation or elongation	B.6	
1	Pressure resistance	B.7	
	Leak tightness	B.8	

5.3 Factory production control (FPC)

5.3.1 General

The manufacturer shall establish, document and maintain an FPC system to ensure that the products placed on the market conform to the stated performance characteristics. The FPC system shall consist of procedures, regular inspections and tests and/or assessments and the use of the results to control raw and other incoming materials or components, equipment, the production process and the product.

The tests listed in Table 3 shall be used to determine that satisfactory conformity is maintained during production and records should also be maintained within a factory production control system. The documentation regarding the factory production control shall be kept for at least 10 years.

Table 3 — Factory production control

Type of tank	Property	Test method	Test to be carried out on tank and/or raw material	Frequency
Blow moulded polyethylene tanks	Melt flow rate	A.1.2	Tank	Once every working week on a programme that covers all machines
			Raw material ^a	Every new batch
	Mass	B.3	Tank	Every tank
Rotationally moulded polyethylene tanks	Melt flow rate A.2.2	Tank	Once every working week on a programme that covers all machines	
			Raw material ^a	Every new batch
	Mass	B.3	Tank	Every shot and one tank per shift
Polyamide 6 tanks by anionic polymerization	Colour bleed	A.3.3	Tank	At the beginning and the end of the working week
	Mass	В3	Tank	Every tank
All tanks	Visual appearance	B.2	Tank	Every tank
	Wall thickness	B.4	Tank	Every tank at its critical points as identified by the manufacturer and an overall test per shift
	Leak tightness	B.8	Tank	Every tank

^a This requirement may be waived if the raw material manufacturer supplies a certificate of conformity with each delivery, i.e. a document which certifies that the material supplied is in compliance with the melt flow rate as specified in an agreed supply specification.

An FPC system conforming to the requirements of EN ISO 9001, and made specific to the requirements of this document, is considered to satisfy the above requirements.

The results of inspections, tests or assessments requiring action shall be recorded, as shall any action taken. The action to be taken when control values or criteria are not met shall be recorded and retained for the period specified in the manufacturer's FPC procedures.

5.3.2 Equipment

5.3.2.1 Testing equipment

All weighing, measuring and testing equipment shall be calibrated and regularly inspected according to documented procedures, frequencies and criteria.

5.3.2.2 Manufacturing equipment

All equipment used in the manufacturing process shall be regularly inspected and maintained to ensure use, wear or failure does not cause inconsistency in the manufacturing process. Inspections and maintenance shall be carried out and recorded in accordance with the manufacturer's written procedures and the records retained for the period defined in the manufacturer's FPC procedures.

5.3.3 Raw materials and components

The specifications of all incoming raw materials and components shall be documented, as shall the inspection scheme for ensuring their conformity.

5.3.4 Non-conforming products

The manufacturer shall have written procedures which specify how non-conforming products shall be dealt with. Any such events shall be recorded as they occur and these records shall be kept for the period defined in the manufacturer's written procedures.

5.3.5 Process control

In order to ensure conformity subsequent to initial type testing a factory production control shall meet at least the following:

- production testing according to Table 3 to confirm the conformity of the product to the performance of the type tested sample;
- records of the results of production control (manufacturer's records) which shall include at least the following:
 - identification of the product tested;
 - dates of sampling;
 - test methods applied;
 - test and inspection results;
 - date of tests;
 - identification of the responsible authority within the manufacturer;
 - calibration records;
 - machinery maintenance and inspection records;
 - test equipment maintenance and inspection records.

5.3.6 Continuous surveillance

Routine inspections shall include the following:

- manufacturing records;
- production testing according to Table 3 which confirm the conformity of product in the course of the normal production process to the performance of the type tested sample;
- test records;
- remedial actions for any non-conformities found;
- extraordinary inspections to verify implementation of the necessary remedial actions, if any major nonconformities were found.

NOTE The timing of the extraordinary inspection should be determined according to the nature of the non-conformities which are to be remedied.

6 Requirements for tanks

Blow moulded polyethylene tanks shall be tested and fulfil the requirements according to Table 4.

Table 4 — Requirements for blow moulded polyethylene thermoplastic tanks

Property	Requirement		
Capacity	The brimful capacity shall be measured.		B.1
	The maximum filling capacity, declared by the manufacturer, shall be checked.		
Visual appearance	There shall be no bubbles, blisters or other defects in the ta	ink wall which could cause a hole or fracture.	B.2
Mass	The minimum mass shall be the mass of the lightest tank as	s determined by the initial type test.	B.3
Wall thickness	For tanks intended for storage of kerosene, the minimum wall thickness shall be 4,5 mm, or if the wall thickness is less than 4,5 mm, the tank manufacturer shall demonstrate by a test method that the oil permeation is equal or less than the permeation through a rotationally moulded tank sample with a thickness of 4,5 mm and made of a polyethylene with a density of 934 kg/m³. For tanks tested in accordance with B.6.1, the minimum wall thickness shall not be less than 2,5 mm and, for factory production control the minimum wall thickness shall be the wall thickness as determined by the initial type test.		
	For tanks tested in accordance with B.6.2, the minimum was which surface does not exceed 300 mm², where a margin thickness. These areas shall be located a minimum of 50 shall declare in a document, that the margin has no effects	of 10 % shall be allowed regarding the minimum wall mm from the bottom of the tank. The manufacturer	
	For maximum filling capacity	Minimum wall thickness	
	≥ 450 l, < 1 000 l	3,0 mm	
	≥ 1 000 l, < 1 500 l	3,2 mm	
	≥ 1 500 l, < 2 000 l	3,5 mm	
	≥ 2 000 l, < 2 500 l	3,7 mm	
	≥ 2 500 l, < 3 000 l	3,9 mm	
	≥ 3 000 I, < 3 500 I	4,0 mm	
	The minimum wall thickness of tanks with a maximum brin to B 6.1.	nful capacity ≥ 3 500 I shall be determined according	
Impact resistance	The tank shall remain leak tight.		B.5
Elongation	The tank shall remain leak tight.		B.6.1
	Elongation at the surface shall no exceed 1,5 % after 1 000	h.	
Deformation	The volumetric deformation is stabilized when the rate o volume, per day, for tanks with a maximum filling capacity day, for tanks with a maximum filling capacity of over 3 800	of up to and including 3 800 l or 0,02 % volume, per	B.6.2
	After stabilisation the deformation shall conform to the follo	wing equations:	
	$w_d \le w_i + 100 \ mm$		
	$l_d \leq l_i + 200 \ mm$		
	where		
	$\it ld$ is the length of the tank after deformation in mm;		
	l_i is the initial length of the tank in mm;		
	\mathcal{W}_d is the width of the tank after deformation in mm;		
	\mathcal{W}_{i} is the initial width of the tank in mm.		
Pressure resistance	The tank shall be leak tight at five times hydrostatic pressur	e.	B.7
	In the case of reinforced tanks the reinforcement shall retain its reinforcing function up to a hydrostatic pressure corresponding to twice the tank height.		
	The tank shall be leak tight.		

Rotationally moulded tanks shall be tested and fulfil the requirements according to Table 5.

Table 5 — Requirements for rotationally moulded polyethylene tanks

Property	Requirement		
Capacity	The brimful capacity shall be measured.		B.1
	The maximum filling capacity, declared by the manufacturer, shall be checked.		
Visual appearance	There shall be no bubbles, blisters or other defects	in the tank wall which could cause a hole or fracture.	B.2
Mass	The minimum mass shall be the mass of the lighter	st tank as determined by the initial type test.	B.3
Wall thickness	For tanks intended for storage of kerosene, the min	nimum wall thickness shall be 4,5 mm.	B.4
	For tanks tested in accordance with B.6.1, the minimum wall thickness shall not be less than 2,5 mm and, for factory production control the minimum wall thickness shall be the wall thickness as determined by the initial type test. For tanks tested in accordance with B.6.2, the minimum wall thickness shall be as follows, except for each area which surface does not exceed 300 mm², where a margin of 10 % shall be allowed regarding the minimum wall thickness. These areas shall be located a minimum of 50 mm from the bottom of the tank. The manufacturer shall declare in a document, that the margin has no effects on the physical properties of the tank.		
	For maximum filling capacity	Minimum wall thickness	
	≥ 450 l, < 1 000 l	3,3 mm	
	≥ 1 000 I, < 1 500 I	3,5 mm	
	≥ 1 500 I, < 2 000 I	3,9 mm	
	≥ 2 000 l, < 2 500 l	4,1 mm	
	≥ 2 500 l, < 3 000 l	4,3 mm	
	≥ 3 000 I, < 3 500 I	4,4 mm	
	≥ 3 500 l, < 5 000 l	4,8 mm	
	≥ 5 000 l, < 7 500 l	5,1 mm	
	≥ 7 500 I, ≤ 10 000 I	5,4 mm	
Impact resistance	The tank shall remain leak tight		B.5
Elongation	The tank shall remain leak tight.		B.6.1
	Elongation at the surface shall not exceed 1,5 % at	fter 1 000 h.	
Deformation		rate of volumetric expansion is not greater than 0,015 % volume, of up to and including 3 800 l or 0,02 % volume, per day, for tanks	B.6.2
	After stabilisation the deformation shall conform to	the following equation:	
	$w_d \le w_i + 100 \ mm$		
	$l_d \leq l_i + 200 \ mm$		
	where		
	l_d is the length of the tank after deformation in mm;		
	$oldsymbol{l}_i$ is the initial length of the tank in mm;		
	\mathcal{W}_d is the width of the tank after deformation in mm;		
	\mathcal{W}_i is the initial width of the tank in mm.		
Pressure resistance	The tank shall be leak tight at five times hydrostation	c pressure.	B.7
	In the case of reinforced tanks the reinforcement shall retain its reinforcing function up to a hydrostatic pressure corresponding to twice the tank height.		
Leak tightness	The tank shall be leak tight.		B.8

Anionic polymerized polyamide 6 tanks shall be tested and fulfil the requirements according to Table 6.

Table 6 — Requirements for polyamide 6 (by anionic polymerisation) tanks

Property	Requirement		Test method
Capacity	The brimful capacity shall be measured.		B.1
	The maximum filling capacity as declared	by the manufacturer shall be checked.	
Visual appearance	There shall be no bubbles, blisters or other hole or fracture.	er defects in the tank wall which could cause a	B.2
Mass	The minimum mass shall be the mass of the lightest tank as determined by the initial type test.		
Wall thickness	The minimum wall thickness shall be 2,0 n	nm.	B.4
Impact resistance	The tank shall remain leak tight.		B.5
Elongation	Water content	Maximum surface elongation after 1 000 h	B.9
	%	%	B.6.1
	2 to 2,5	1,1	
	2,5 to 3	1,3	
	3 to 3,5	1,6	
Pressure	Pressure The tank shall be leak tight at five times hydrostatic pressure.		B.7
resistance	In the case of reinforced tanks the reinforcement shall retain its reinforcing function up to a hydrostatic pressure corresponding to twice the tank height.		
Leak tightness	The tank shall be leak tight.		B.8

7 Durability

The mechanical characteristics of the tank shall be deemed durable for a reasonable economic working life if it is in conformity with the relevant requirements of Tables 1, 4, 5 and 6.

The manufacturer shall declare the suitability of the tank for external/internal or internal use only.

8 Marking, transport and handling of tanks

8.1 Marking

The following information shall be marked legibly, visibly and durably on the tank:

- a) permitted location (internal and/or external);
- b) month and year of manufacture;
- c) brimful capacity;
- d) maximum filling level for translucent tanks;
- e) EN 13341;

- f) description of the product to be stored e.g. "For storage of domestic heating oils, diesel fuels and/or kerosene";
- g) details covering relevant installation instructions e.g. "Shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturers instructions and local regulations";
- h) serial number;
- i) identification of manufacturer;
- j) material type.

Where ZA.3, requires the CE marking to be accompanied by the same information as required by this clause, the requirements of this clause are met. Where any of the following are provided as part of regulatory marking, the same information need not be duplicated in the marking required by this clause.

8.2 Transport and handling

The manufacturer's instructions and national requirements regarding transportation, storage, mounting and maintenance shall be adhered to.

Annex A

(normative)

Test methods for determination of material characteristics

A.1 Blow moulded polyethylene

A.1.1 Density

The density of the raw material shall be measured in accordance with EN ISO 1183-1 and EN ISO 1183-2. The method in accordance with EN ISO 1872-2 shall be used to anneal the specimen.

A.1.2 Melt flow rate

The melt flow rate of the raw material and of a section taken from any location on the moulded tank shall be measured in accordance with EN ISO 1133:1999, using Condition G.

A.1.3 Tensile strength

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN ISO 527-3:1995, using Type 5 test pieces. For testing a specimen of 1 mm thickness compression moulded in accordance with EN ISO 1872-2 shall be used and a test speed of 100 mm/min shall be maintained.

A.1.4 Resistance to oil

The increase in mass shall be determined by immersing a pressed specimen 50 mm \times 50 mm \times 1 mm thick in oil until it reaches equilibrium at 40 °C, (equilibrium point is reached when the change in mass after one week interval is less than 0,5 %).

The alteration in mass shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 175.

The effect on tensile properties shall be determined by repeating the test in A.1.3 on a specimen immersed in oil at 40 °C until it reaches equilibrium, (equilibrium point is reached when the change in mass after one week interval is less than 0,5 %).

Where the test is carried out for tanks for the storage of kerosene, for safety reasons, the storage test with kerosene shall be carried out at 30 °C.

A.1.5 Resistance to weathering

Specimens shall be taken from the moulded tank and shall be exposed to UV radiation in accordance with EN ISO 4892-1 and EN ISO 4892-2. The test shall be carried out under the following conditions:

- a) xenon arc lamp;
- b) black standard temperature: 65 °C;
- c) relative humidity: 65 %;
- d) spray cycle:
 - duration of spray:18 min,

— dry interval between spraying: 102 min.

A.2 Rotationally moulded polyethylene

A.2.1 Density

The density of the raw material shall be measured in accordance with EN ISO 1183-1 and EN ISO 1183-2. The method in accordance with EN ISO 1872-2 shall be used to anneal the specimen.

A.2.2 Melt flow rate

The melt flow rate of the raw material and of a section taken from any location on the moulded tank shall be measured in accordance with EN ISO 1133:1999, using Condition D.

A.2.3 Tensile strength

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN ISO 527-3:1995, using Type 5 test pieces. For the test a specimen of 1 mm thickness compression moulded in accordance with EN ISO 1872-2 shall be used and a test speed of 100 mm/min shall be maintained.

A.2.4 Resistance to oil

The increase in mass shall be determined by immersing a pressed specimen 50 mm \times 50 mm \times 1 mm thick in oil until it reaches equilibrium at 40 °C, (equilibrium point is reached when the change in mass after one week interval is less than 0,5 %).

The alteration in mass shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 175.

The effect on tensile properties shall be determined by repeating the test in A.2.3 on a specimen immersed in oil at 40 °C until it reaches equilibrium, (equilibrium point is reached when the change in mass after one week interval is less than 0,5 %).

Where the test is carried out for tanks for the storage of kerosene, for safety reasons, the storage test with kerosene shall be carried out at 30 °C.

A.2.5 Resistance to weathering

Specimens shall be taken from the moulded tank and shall be exposed to UV radiation in accordance with EN ISO 4892-1 and EN ISO 4892-2. The test shall be carried out under the following conditions:

- a) xenon arc lamp;
- b) black standard temperature: 65 °C;
- c) relative humidity: 65 %;
- d) spray cycle:
 - duration of spray:18 min,
 - dry interval between spraying: 102 min.

A.3 Polyamide 6 (by anionic polymerization)

A.3.1 Tensile strength

The test shall be carried out in accordance with EN ISO 527-3:1995, using Type 5 test pieces. For the test a specimen of 1 mm thickness compression moulded in accordance with EN ISO 1872-2 shall be used and a test speed of 100 mm/min shall be maintained.

A.3.2 Resistance to oil

The increase in mass shall be determined by immersing a pressed specimen 50 mm x 50 mm x 1 mm thick in oil for 14 days at 40 °C.

The alteration in mass shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 175.

The effect on tensile properties shall be determined by repeating the test in A.3.1 on a specimen immersed in oil for 14 days at 40 °C.

Where the test is carried out for tanks for the storage of kerosene, for safety reasons, the storage test with kerosene shall be carried out at 30 °C.

A.3.3 Colour bleed

Cylindrical specimens of 3 mm diameter and (4 ± 0.5) mm in height shall be taken perpendicular to the surface of the tank wall with a moisture content not exceeding 0.7 %.

The test shall be conducted in specimen glasses of (4 ± 0.1) mm internal diameter and 80 mm in length.

The following test media shall be used:

- a) 96 % solution of sulphuric acid, and
- b) 96 % solution of sulphuric acid stained blue/green by the addition of 0,19 ml of diphenylamine and 0,19 ml of a 65 % solution of nitric acid per litre.

The specimen glass shall be filled to a height of 33 mm with unstained sulphuric acid and the cylindrical specimen shall be immersed in the liquid with the aid of a glass rod (taking care that the sulphuric acid is free of bubbles).

The glass shall be placed in a hot bath at (90 ± 2) °C and shall be steeped for 3 h. After steeping 22 mm of stained sulphuric acid shall be poured in and the glass shall be left in the hot bath for a further 2,5 h.

The steeped specimen shall be examined to detect any obvious delineation between specimen and stained sulphuric acid (ensuring stained sulphuric acid has not penetrated the lower unstained sulphuric acid).

The test shall be repeated for at least six representative test samples.

A.3.4 Resistance to weathering

Specimens shall be taken from the moulded tank and shall be exposed to UV radiation in accordance with EN ISO 4892-1 and EN ISO 4892-2. The test shall be carried out under the following conditions:

- a) xenon arc lamp;
- b) black standard temperature: 65 °C;
- c) relative humidity: 65 %;

- d) spray cycle:
 - duration of spray:18 min,
 - dry interval between spraying: 102 min.

Annex B

(normative)

Test methods for determination of tank characteristics

B.1 Capacity

The tank shall be conditioned at (20 ± 5) °C for 48 h and then be filled to the point of overflow at a rate of 150 l/min \pm 40 l/min with water at (15 ± 5) °C. After 10 min the tank shall be filled again to overflow and the brimful capacity shall be measured to an accuracy of \pm 1 %.

B.2 Visual appearance

The visual inspection shall be carried out with suitable illumination in order to detect faults according to Table 4, 5 or 6 as applicable.

The marking in accordance with Clause 8 shall be checked.

B.3 Mass

The mass of the tank shall be measured with all moulded-in inserts, without reinforcements and accessories to an accuracy of \pm 0,5 %.

Record the mass of the tank.

B.4 Wall thickness

The wall thickness shall be determined rounded to the nearest 0,1 mm using ultrasonic wall thickness measurement equipment calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. A reference test piece of similar thickness, manufactured by the same process and from the same raw material as the tank shall be used for measurement.

B.5 Impact resistance

The tank shall be filled to overflow with water at a temperature of (15 \pm 5) $^{\circ}$ C.

An impact hammer or pendulum shall be used, (in the form of an equilateral triangle with rounded tips and edges having radii of 3 mm). The five most vulnerable surfaces of the tank (normally corners or stiff sections) shall be subjected to an impact of 30 J, see Figure B.1.

Dimensions in millimetres

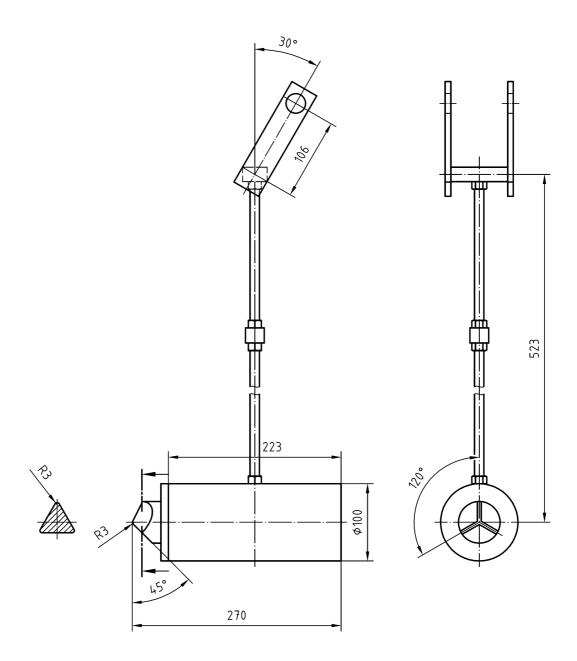


Figure B.1 - Impact resistance test equipment

B.6 Elongation or deformation

B.6.1 Elongation

The elongation test shall be carried out on the lightest tank from the samples at (23 ± 2) °C.

At points on the tank where the greatest deformation is expected, a minimum of five expansion measurement strips shall be fitted (use the results from the pressure resistance test in accordance with B.7 to determine the measuring point).

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The tank shall be filled with water at a temperature not exceeding 23 °C. The test pressure shall correspond to 1,3 times the hydrostatic pressure at the deepest part of the tank and shall be kept constant for 1 000 h. The expansion shall be measured per decade at least three times in logarithmically equal intervals (at least nine measurements in 1 000 h).

B.6.2 Deformation

The deformation test shall be carried out on the lightest tank from the samples at (23 ± 2) °C.

A tank shall be subjected to a test pressure corresponding to 1,3 times the hydrostatic pressure at the deepest part of the tank for a minimum of 30 days and a maximum of 42 days.

Reinforced tanks shall be tested with their reinforcements.

The temperature of the test room shall be (23 ± 2) °C and the pressure variation during the test shall not exceed 2 %.

The tank shall be placed on flat ground with reference to a measurement grid so as to be able to determine its length and width.

The tank shall be stabilised by filling it with 30 cm of water.

The initial length (l_i) and height (h_i) shall be determined and the initial width (w_i) shall be measured in at least three cross-sections where the deformation, due to the hydrostatic pressure, is most critical.

The tank shall be filled to brimful capacity at a filling rate of (700 ± 100) l/h and shall be pressured to 1,3 h_i .

The total amount of water added to the tank at filling and pressuring stage shall be determined and the length and width shall be measured at the same locations after 5, 18 and 27 days.

From day 28 the volume change shall be measured until the volume has stabilised for 2 successive days to a maximum of 42 days.

The volume deformation is stable when the value is not greater than 0.015 % volume per day for tanks up to and including $3 \ 800 \ I$ capacity or 0.02 % volume for tanks over $3 \ 800 \ I$.

After stabilization the length (l_d) and width (w_d) shall be measured.

B.7 Pressure resistance

The pressure resistance test shall be carried out on the second lightest tank from the samples.

The tank shall be filled with water at (15 ± 5) °C. The opening shall be closed with reinforced or metal caps.

Reinforced tanks shall be tested with their reinforcements.

The tank shall be tested with five times the pressure resulting from hydrostatic pressure based on the height of the tank and it shall be measured at its base.

After the tank is filled the pressure shall be increased using a filling rate of 10 l/min up to the test pressure and shall be held at this pressure for 5 min. ¹⁾

¹⁾ The pressure may be increased up to bursting of the tank for additional information.

During the pressure increase the condition of the reinforcements shall be observed up to twice the hydrostatic pressure.

B.8 Leak tightness

All tanks (whether reinforced or not) shall be subjected to a pneumatic pressure of 30 kPa for at least 15 s or 10 kPa for at least 60 s.

B.9 Water content (for polyamide 6 only)

The moisture content shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 960.

Annex ZA

(informative)

Clauses of this European Standard addressing essential requirements or other provisions of EU Directives.

ZA.1 Scope and relevant characteristics

This European Standard has been prepared under Mandate M/131 "Pipes, tanks, and ancillaries not in contact with water intended for human consumption' given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association.

The clauses of this European Standard shown in this Annex meet the requirements of the mandate given under the EU Construction Products Directive (89/106/EEC).

Compliance with these clauses confers a presumption of fitness of the static thermoplastic tanks covered by this Annex for the intended uses indicated herein; reference shall be made to the information accompanying the CE marking.

WARNING — Other requirements and other EU Directives, not affecting the fitness for intended uses, can be applicable to the [construction products] falling within the scope of this European Standard.

NOTE 1 In addition to any specific clauses relating to dangerous substances contained in this standard, there may be other requirements applicable to the products falling within its scope (e.g. transposed European legislation and national laws, regulations and administrative provisions). In order to meet the provisions of the EU Construction Products Directive, these requirements need also to be complied with, <u>when and where</u> they apply.

NOTE 2 An informative database of European and national provisions on dangerous substances is available at the Construction web site accessed through

http://europa.eu.int/comm/enterprise/construction/internal/dangsub/dangmain.htm.

This Annex establishes the conditions for the CE marking of the static thermoplastics tanks intended for the uses indicated in Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 and ZA.1.3 and shows the relevant clauses applicable:

This Annex has the same scope as Clause 1 of this standard and is defined by Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 and ZA.1.3.

Table ZA.1.1 — Relevant clauses for blow moulded polyethylene static tanks

Product: Blow moulded polyethylene static tanks Intended uses: Above ground storage of domestic heating oils, kerosene and diesel fuels **Essential characteristics** Requirement clauses in this Levels and/or classes Notes standard Mechanical resistance and stability Wall thickness Table 4 Threshold Mass Table 4 Reaction to fire Classified 4.1.2 F without further test Internal Pressure Pressure resistance Table 4 Pass/Fail Impact resistance Impact resistance Table 4 Pass/Fail Permeability Pass/Fail Pressure resistance Table 4 Electrostatic behaviour 4.1.3 Pass^a /Fail Tightness Leak tightness Table 4 Pass/Fail Durability Resistance to weathering Pass /Fail Table 1 Resistance to oil Table 1 Pass /Fail Table 4 Pass /Fail Elongation/deformation ^a If the notices of the manufacturer are given.

Table ZA.1.2 — Relevant clauses for rotationally moulded polyethylene static tanks

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Intended uses: Above ground storage of domestic heating oils, kerosene and diesel fuels					
Essential characteristics	Requirement clauses in this standard	Levels and/or classes	Notes		
Mechanical resistance and		_			
stability					
Wall thickness	Table 5		Threshold		
Mass	Table 5		kg		
Reaction to fire	4.1.2	F	Classified without further test		
Internal Pressure		_			
Pressure resistance	Table 5		Pass/Fail		
Impact resistance		_			
Impact resistance	Table 5		Pass/Fail		
Permeability		_	Pass/Fail		
Pressure resistance	Table 5				
Electrostatic behaviour	4.1.3	_	Pass ^a /Fail		
Tightness		_			
Leaktightness	Tables 5		Pass/Fail		
Durability		_			
Resistance to weathering	Table 1		Pass /Fail		
Resistance to oil	Table 1		Pass /Fail		
Elongation/deformation	Table 5		Pass /Fail		
^a If the notices of the manufacturer	I I are given.				

Table ZA.1.3 — Relevant clauses for polyamide 6 static tanks

Product: Polyamide 6 static tanks Intended uses: Above ground storage of domestic heating oils, kerosene and diesel fuels **Essential characteristics** Requirement clauses in this Levels and/or classes Notes standard Mechanical resistance and stability Wall thickness Table 6 Threshold Mass Table 6 kg Reaction to fire Classified 4.1.2 F without further test Internal Pressure Pressure resistance Table 6 Pass/Fail Impact resistance Impact resistance Table 6 Pass/Fail Permeability Pass/Fail Pressure resistance Table 6 Electrostatic behaviour 4.1.3 Pass^a /Fail Tightness Leaktightness Table 6 Pass/Fail Durability Resistance to weathering Pass /Fail Table 1 Resistance to oil Table 1 Pass /Fail Elongation Table 6 Pass /Fail a If the notices of the manufacturer are given.

The requirement on a certain characteristic is not applicable in those Member States (MSs) where there are no regulatory requirements on that characteristic for the intended use of the product. In this case, manufacturers placing their products on the market of these MSs are not obliged to determine nor declare the performance of their products with regard to this characteristic and the option "No performance determined" (NPD) in the information accompanying the CE marking (see ZA.3) may be used. The NPD option may not be used, however, where the characteristic is subject to a threshold level.

ZA.2 Procedures for the attestation of conformity of static thermoplastic tanks

ZA.2.1 Systems of attestation of conformity

The system(s) of attestation of conformity of [the construction products] indicated in Tables ZA.1.1 to ZA.1.3, in accordance with the Decision of the European Commission (1999/472/EC) of 1999.07.01 as given in Annex III of the mandate for Pipes, tanks, and ancillaries not in contact with water intended for human consumption is shown in Table ZA.2 for the indicated intended uses and relevant level or class.

Table ZA.2 — System(s) of attestation of conformity

	Product	Intended use	Level(s) or class(es)	Attestation of conformity system(s)
Static tanks	thermoplastic	In installations for the transport/distribution/storage of gas/fuel for the supply of building heating/cooling systems	_	3
System 3: See Directive 89/106/EEC (CPD) Annex III.2.(ii), Second possibility.				

The attestation of conformity of the static thermoplastics tanks indicated in Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 and ZA.1.3 shall be based on the evaluation of conformity procedures indicated in Table ZA.3 resulting from application of the clauses of this or other European Standard indicated therein.

Table ZA.3 — Assignment of evaluation of conformity tasks under system 3 for thermoplastic tanks for either internal or external storage of heating oil, kerosene and diesel fuel

Tasks		Content of the task	Evaluation of conformity clauses to apply
	Factory production control (FPC)	Parameters related to all relevant characteristics of Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 or ZA.1.3	5.3
Tasks under the responsibility of the manufacturer	Initial type testing by the manufacturer	Those relevant characteristics of Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 or ZA.1.3 not tested by the notified body	5.2
	Initial type testing by a notified test laboratory	Those relevant characteristics of Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 or ZA.1.3 indicated in Annex III of the mandate	5.2

ZA.2.2 Declaration of conformity

When compliance with the conditions of this Annex is achieved, the manufacturer or his agent established in the EEA shall prepare and retain a declaration of conformity (EC Declaration of conformity), which entitles the manufacturer to affix the CE marking. This declaration shall include:

- name and address of the manufacturer, or his authorised representative established in the EEA, and place of production;
- description of the product (type, identification, use,...), and a copy of the information accompanying the CE marking;
- provisions to which the product conforms (i.e. Annex ZA of this European Standard);
- particular conditions applicable to the use of the product, (e.g. provisions for use under certain conditions);
- name and address of the notified laboratory(ies);

 name of, and position held by, the person empowered to sign the declaration on behalf of the manufacturer or his authorised representative.

The above mentioned declaration and certificate shall be presented in the official language or languages of the Member State in which the product is to be used.

ZA.3 CE Marking and labelling

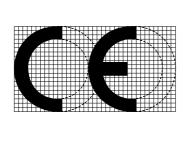
The manufacturer or his authorised representative established within the EEA is responsible for the affixing of the CE marking. The CE marking symbol to affix shall be in accordance with Directive 93/68/EC. The symbol shall be shown on the static thermoplastic tanks or when not possible it may be on the accompanying label, the packaging or on the accompanying commercial documents e.g. a delivery note.

The following information shall accompany the CE marking symbol:

- name or identifying mark and registered address of the producer;
- identification number of the notified laboratory(ies);
- the last two digits of the year in which the marking is affixed (reference may be made to the date of manufacture of the product);
- reference to EN 13341;
- description of the product: Above ground (internal or external)/(internal only) storage of domestic heating oil, diesel fuels and/or kerosene;
- information on those relevant essential characteristics listed in Tables ZA.1.1, ZA.1.2 or ZA.1.3 which are to be declared: wall thickness (minimum wall thickness); mass; reaction to fire; impact resistance; pressure resistance; leaktightness; resistance to weathering; resistance to oil and elongation/deformation.
- declared values and, where relevant, level or class (including "pass" for pass/fail requirements, where necessary) to declare for each essential characteristic as indicated in "Notes" in Table ZA.1;
- "No performance determined" for characteristics where this is relevant.

The "No performance determined" (NPD) option may not be used where the characteristic is subject to a threshold level. Otherwise, the NPD option may be used when and where the characteristic, for a given intended use, is not subject to regulatory requirements in the Member State of destination.

Figure ZA.1 gives an example of the information to be given on the product, label, packaging and/or commercial documents where the tank is for external use. Similar information must be given for each tank type.



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Wall thickness 3,5 mm

Mass XXX kg

Reaction to fire NPD

Pressure resistance Pass

Impact resistance Pass

Leaktightness Pass

Resistance to weathering Pass (internal/external)

Resistance against oil Pass
Deformation Pass

CE conformity marking, consisting of the "CE"-symbol given in Directive 93/68/EEC.

Identification number of the certification body (where relevant)

Name or identifying mark and registered address of the producer

Last two digits of the year in which the marking was affixed

Certificate number (where relevant)

No. of European Standard

Description of product

and

information on regulated characteristics

Figure ZA.1 — Example CE marking information

In addition to any specific information relating to dangerous substances shown above, the product should also be accompanied, when and where required and in the appropriate form, by documentation listing any other legislation on dangerous substances for which compliance is claimed, together with any information required by that legislation.

NOTE European legislation without national derogation's need not be mentioned.

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