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This document (EN ISO 4126-3:2020) has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 185 "Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure" in collaboration with Technical Committee CEN/TC 69 "Industrial valves" the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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### Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 185, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure*, in collaboration with the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) Technical Committee CEN/TC 69, *Industrial valves*, in accordance with the Agreement on technical cooperation between ISO and CEN (Vienna Agreement).

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 4126-3:2006), which has been technically revised.

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

- Eliminated unnecessary references and definitions throughout the document.
- [Clause 5](#): Inlet line and pressure drop requirements from prior 6.2 were moved to [Clause 5](#) and a reference to ISO 4126-9 was also added.
- [Clause 7](#): Deleted specific references to specific EN standards to refer to the applicable pressure vessel standard to reflect the global nature of this document.
- [Clause 9](#): The restrictions for  $F_d$  values less than 0,97 were eliminated.
- [Clause 12](#): Clarified the applicable minimum bursting pressure for which the  $F_d$  value can be used for sizes larger than those flow tested.
- [Clause 14](#): Added a requirement for the supplier to provide a test certificate if the  $F_d$  being used is a certified combination discharge coefficient.

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## **Introduction**

Bursting disc safety devices can be used upstream of safety valves in the following cases:

- a) to protect the safety valve against corrosion, fouling or operating conditions which could affect the safety valve performance;
- b) to prevent leakage;
- c) to prevent total loss of contents from the protected equipment following the bursting of the bursting disc.

The term *combination* is used to describe the close-coupled (i.e. within 5 pipe diameters) assembly of a bursting disc safety device upstream of a safety valve or controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS), as defined by this document. Requirements for other installation arrangements of bursting discs with safety valves or CSPRS are defined in ISO 4126-9.



# Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure —

## Part 3:

# Safety valves and bursting disc safety devices in combination

## 1 Scope

This document specifies only the requirements for a product assembled from the in-series combination of safety valves or CSPRS (controlled safety pressure relief systems) according to ISO 4126-1, ISO 4126-4 and ISO 4126-5, and bursting disc safety devices, according to ISO 4126-2, installed upstream of the valve within five pipe diameters of the valve inlet. It specifies the design, application and marking requirements for such products, composed of the bursting disc safety device, a safety valve or CSPRS and, where applicable, a connecting pipe or spool piece. In addition, it gives a method for establishing the combination discharge factor used in sizing combinations.

## 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 4126-1:2013, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 1: Safety valves*

ISO 4126-2:2018, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 2: Bursting disc safety devices*

ISO 4126-4:2013, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 4: Pilot operated safety valves*

ISO 4126-5:2013, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 5: Controlled safety pressure relief systems (CSPRS)*

ISO 4126-6:2014, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 6: Application, selection and installation of bursting disc safety devices*

ISO 4126-9:2008, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 9: Application and installation of safety devices excluding stand-alone bursting disc safety devices*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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