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## ISO 10298:2018(E)

### Foreword

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This document was prepared by ISO/TC 58 *Gas cylinders*, SC 2, *Cylinder fittings*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 10298:2010), which has been technically revised.

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

- The Scope and Clause 4 have been clarified.
- The terms and definitions in Clause 3 have been changed and, in particular, the reference to FTSC codes (that were in ISO 5145) was changed to ISO 14456.
- Some LC50 values have been updated.

## **Introduction**

ISO 5145 specifies the dimensions of different valve outlets for different compatible gas groups. These compatible gas groups are determined according to practical criteria defined in ISO 14456.

These criteria are based on certain physical, chemical, toxic and corrosive properties of the gases. In particular, the tissue corrosiveness is considered in this document.

The aim of this document is to assign for each gas a classification category that takes into account the toxicity by inhalation of the gas. For gas mixtures containing toxic components a calculation based on the method specified in the GHS is proposed.

Since the publication of the first edition of ISO 10298, this International Standard has been used for other purposes than the selection of cylinder valve outlets, e.g. providing toxicity data for the classification of gas and gas mixtures according to the international transport regulations and according to the classification of dangerous substances regulations, which since 2003 is under the umbrella of the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).



# Gas cylinders — Gases and gas mixtures — Determination of toxicity for the selection of cylinder valve outlets

## 1 Scope

This document lists the best available acute-toxicity data of gases taken from a search of the current literature to allow the classification of gases and gas mixtures for toxicity by inhalation.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose 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 <http://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### lethal concentration 50

##### LC<sub>50</sub>

concentration of a substance in air exposure to which, for a specified length of time, it is expected to cause the death of 50 % of the entire defined experimental animal population after a defined time period

Note 1 to entry: See [Annex A](#) for the selection of this LC<sub>50</sub> value.

### 3.2

#### toxicity level

level of toxicity of gases and gas mixtures

Note 1 to entry: In ISO 14456, the toxicity level is divided into three groups:

- Subdivision 1: non toxic [ $LC_{50} > 5\,000$  ppm (volume fraction)]
- Subdivision 2: toxic [ $200$  ppm (volume fraction)  $< LC_{50} \leq 5\,000$  ppm (volume fraction)]
- Subdivision 3: very toxic [ $LC_{50} \leq 200$  ppm (volume fraction)]

These subdivisions are sometimes used in transport regulations.

where

LC<sub>50</sub> values correspond to 1 h exposure to gas;

ppm (volume fraction) indicates parts per million, by volume.

Note 2 to entry: In the GHS, the inhalation toxicity levels are:

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