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This first edition, together with ISO 17636-1, cancels and replaces ISO 17636:2003, of which it constitutes a technical revision.

ISO 17636 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Non-destructive testing of welds — Radiographic testing*:

— *Part 1: X- and gamma-ray techniques with film*

— *Part 2: X- and gamma-ray techniques with digital detectors*

The main changes are that:

— the normative references have been updated;

— the document has been divided into two parts — this part of ISO 17636 is applicable to radiographic testing with digital detectors;

— X-ray devices up to 1 000 kV have been included;

— Annex C on determination of basic spatial resolution has been added;

— Annex D on determination of minimum grey values for CR practice has been introduced;

— Annex E with general remarks on grey values has been added;

— the text has been editorially revised.

Requests for official interpretations of any aspect of this part of ISO 17636 should be directed to the Secretariat of ISO/TC 44/SC 5 via your national standards body. A complete listing of these bodies can be found at www.iso.org.

Introduction

This International Standard specifies fundamental techniques of radiography with the object of enabling satisfactory and repeatable results to be obtained economically. The techniques are based on generally recognized practice and fundamental theory of the subject, inspection of fusion welded joints with digital radiographic detectors.

Digital detectors provide a digital grey value image which can be viewed and evaluated with a computer only. The practice describes the recommended procedure for detector selection and radiographic practice. Selection of computer, software, monitor, printer and viewing conditions are important but are not the main focus of this part of ISO 17636.

The procedure specified in this part of ISO 17636 provides the minimum requirements and practice which permits exposure and acquisition of digital radiographs with equivalent sensitivity for detection of imperfections as film radiography, specified in ISO 17636-1.

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Part 2:
X- and gamma-ray techniques with digital detectors

1 Scope

This part of ISO 17636 specifies fundamental techniques of digital radiography with the object of enabling satisfactory and repeatable results to be obtained economically. The techniques are based on generally recognized practice and fundamental theory of the subject.

This part of ISO 17636 applies to the digital radiographic examination of fusion welded joints in metallic materials. It applies to the joints of plates and pipes. Besides its conventional meaning, “pipe”, as used in this International Standard, covers other cylindrical bodies such as tubes, penstocks, boiler drums, and pressure vessels.

NOTE This part of ISO 17636 complies with EN 14784-2.[6]

This part of ISO 17636 specifies the requirements for digital radiographic X- and gamma-ray testing by either computed radiography (CR) or radiography with digital detector arrays (DDA) of the welded joints of metallic plates and tubes for the detection of imperfections.

Digital detectors provide a digital grey value (GV) image which can be viewed and evaluated using a computer. This part of ISO 17636 specifies the recommended procedure for detector selection and radiographic practice. Selection of computer, software, monitor, printer and viewing conditions are important, but are not the main focus of this part of ISO 17636. The procedure specified in this part of ISO 17636 provides the minimum requirements for radiographic practice which permit exposure and acquisition of digital radiographs with equivalent sensitivity for detection of imperfections as film radiography, as specified in ISO 17636-1.

This part of ISO 17636 does not specify acceptance levels for any of the indications found on the digital radiographs.

If contracting parties apply lower test criteria, it is possible that the quality achieved is significantly lower than when this part of ISO 17636 is strictly applied.

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 5576, *Non-destructive testing — Industrial X-ray and gamma-ray radiology — Vocabulary*

ISO 9712, *Non-destructive testing — Qualification and certification of NDT personnel*

ISO 16371-1:2011, *Non-destructive testing — Industrial computed radiography with storage phosphor imaging plates — Part 1: Classification of systems*