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Foreword

This document (EN 13941:2009+A1:2010) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 107 “Prefabricated district heating pipe systems”, the secretariat of which is held by DS.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by January 2011, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by January 2011.

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Introduction

The standard has been prepared by JWG1, a joint working group with CEN/TC 267 "Industrial piping and pipelines".

According to the scope from CEN/TC 107:

- The task of CEN/TC 107/TC267/JWG1 is to specify rules for design, calculation and installation for preinsulated bonded pipe systems for underground hot water networks with pipe assemblies co-ordinated with EN 253, EN 448, EN 488 and EN 489.
- CEN/TC 107/TC267/JWG1 may also specify rules for functional tests for preinsulated bonded pipe systems for underground hot water networks.
- The basic rules for design, calculation and installation should be based on functional requirements.
- The purpose of the work is to provide uniform basis for the design, construction and operation of district heating systems, to ensure that the system is reliable and efficient and safe for the surrounding area, the environment and public health.
- Joint assemblies for pipe systems dealt with should be co-ordinated with EN 489.

This standard takes account of experience acquired, of new knowledge available, of the behaviour of material and of distribution of stresses and allowable deformations and also evolution in installation techniques.

When use is made of the standard, the different sections of which it is made up must be interpreted as being interdependent and, because of this, cannot be dissociated.

The standard consists of a main part and four annexes.

Depending on the character of the individual clauses, distinction is made in this standard between Principles and Application Rules.

The principles comprise:

- general statements, definitions and requirements, for which there is no alternative, as well as
- requirements and analytical models for which no alternative is permitted unless specifically stated.

The principles are printed in normal typeface (10 point font).

The application rules are generally recognised rules, which follow the principles and satisfy their requirements.

Application rule:

The application rules and comments to principles and application rules are printed in a 8 point font. This is an application rule.

It is permissible to use alternative design rules from the application rules given in this standard, provided that it is shown that the alternative rule accords with the relevant principles and it is at least equivalent with regard to the resistance, serviceability and durability achieved by the system.

Annex A is part of the standard (principles). Annexes B, C and D have status as application rules.

This standard contains a number of requirements aimed at ensuring the sound execution of distribution networks for district heating. To the extent possible, the requirements specified in this standard are functional requirements.

The requirements and regulations contained in this standard should be assessed and applied in compliance with the intentions of the standard and in due consideration of the development taking place in the field it concerns. It is therefore assumed that the user of the standard has the requisite technical insight and that the user of the standard has adequate knowledge of legal and other external regulations that are of consequence to the practical application of the standard.

Special cases may occur within the scope of this standard in which its contents do not cover. An evaluation whether the contents cover shall be made in any specific case where the standard is used.

Presently CEN/TC 107 "Pre-fabricated district heating pipe systems" is preparing standards for preinsulated flexible pipes and surveillance systems.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies rules for design, calculation and installation for preinsulated bonded pipe systems for buried hot water distribution and transmission networks (cf. Figure 2) with pipe assemblies in accordance with EN 253, for continuous operation with hot water at various temperatures up to 120°C and occasionally with peak temperatures up to 140°C and maximum internal pressure 25 bar (overpressure).

Application rule:

For larger pipe dimensions and pressures below 25 bar wall thickness bigger than specified in EN 253 can be required for straight pipes, bends and tees.

The principles of the standard can be applied to preinsulated pipe systems with pressures higher than 25 bar, provided that special attention is paid to the effects of pressure. Adjacent pipes belonging to the network (e.g. pipes in ducts, valve chambers, road crossings above ground etc.) can be designed and installed according to this standard.

The standard assumes use of treated water, which by softening, demineralisation, deaeration, adding of chemicals, or otherwise has been treated to prevent internal corrosion and deposits in the pipes.

This standard is not applicable for such units as:

- a) pumps,
- b) exchangers,
- c) boiler installations, tank installations,
- d) consumer installations.

However, the full functional ability and durability of such units should be ensured in consideration of the impacts from the district heating system and other impacts occurring from the conditions under which they have been installed.

Guidelines for product quality inspection and in situ tests of joints are given in Annex A of EN 448:2009, Annex D of EN 253:2009, Annex A of EN 488:2009 and Annex B of EN 489:2009.

Guidelines for welding of polyethylene casing are given in Annex B of EN 448:2009.

The estimation of expected life with continuous operation at various temperatures is outlined in Annex B of EN 253:2009.

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 253:2009, *District heating pipes — Preinsulated bonded pipe systems for directly buried hot water networks — Pipe assembly of steel service pipe, polyurethane thermal insulation and outer casing of polyethylene*

EN 287-1, *Qualification test of welders — Fusion welding — Part 1: Steels*

EN 444, *Non-destructive testing — General principles for radiographic examination of metallic materials by X- and gamma-rays*

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