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Introduction

Purpose and content of the standard

The water pumps within the scope of this European Standard are typically produced and sold by pump manufacturers as series of large to very large numbers. The performance characteristics of pumps of one size produced by a manufacturer show some scatter caused by manufacturing tolerances, but are described by mean values and curves which represent that size.

The total consumption of electric energy by water pumps installed in applications within the scope of this European Standard depends on the total number of installed pumps of each size and on its mean efficiency. The quality of a size in respect to its mean efficiency is quantitatively described by the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) which is defined and used in this standard. To achieve a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI), a corresponding minimum value of the mean efficiency of a size is required.

This European Standard defines – for each pump type and size within the scope of the standard - the minimum required value of efficiency depending on the value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI). Also, this standard prescribes how the value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a pump size indicated by the manufacturer can be verified by an independent institution (e.g. in the frame of market surveillance). For the manufacturer of the pump size it is generally left free how to prove the indicated value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a size. Nevertheless, this standard describes also a method to prove by the manufacturer that the mean values of efficiency meet the requirements for indicating a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI).

Normally, the qualification of a pump size for a certain MEI value done by the manufacturer will be based on tests and evaluations made on a sample of pumps of this size. It is essential that tests and evaluations carried out for the purpose of qualifying the corresponding size fulfil certain requirements:

- From the tests on the sample pumps, it becomes possible to predict for the corresponding size the confidence intervals within which the true mean values of efficiencies which are relevant for the qualification are enclosed with a sufficiently high probability. Only in that way, the qualification of the size in respect to a required and/or indicated value of Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) will make sure that the aspired effect of energy saving will be reached.
- If a pump size has been qualified according to the criteria described in this European Standard, every test on one or more test pump(s) of the same size (with a full impeller diameter) which is carried out in the frame of a verification procedure shall result with a very high probability in a confirmation of the qualification.

Caused by technical alignment procedures of the single pump components, e.g. bearings or shaft seals, the performance of the pump is gained after a certain running-in time.

Ways to prove and to verify the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a pump size

This European Standard describes different ways how manufacturers can achieve the qualification of a pump size for a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) and how this qualification can be verified by an independent institution.

For the manufacturer, it is generally left free to choose and apply appropriate methods to prove that the mean efficiency values of a size are at least equal to or higher than particular threshold values of efficiency. These particular threshold values of efficiency are related to the value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) to be indicated for the size. The way to determine these values of efficiency is described in this standard. If the way chosen by the manufacturer to prove the MEI value of a size deviates from the way mentioned in the next paragraph, the manufacturer has to document all tests, evaluations and/or calculations which are carried out and the methods which are applied to prove the justification of the indicated MEI value.

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If the manufacturer decides to determine the mean performance values of the size by one of the methods described in Annex D of this standard, he has to carry out tests according to the requirements given in Annex C of this standard and evaluations as described in Annex C of this standard and to prove – as described in Clause 7 of this standard – that the criteria for the achievement of a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of the size are fulfilled. The test conditions, the results of test evaluation and the fulfilment of the criteria are documented and stored. The time period to keep documentation available for the authorities to prove conformity is fixed by the legal text.

The independent institution carries out tests on pumps of the size in question according to the requirements given in 5.2 to 5.4 of this standard as well as evaluations as described in 5.5 of this standard and applies the methodology and procedure described in Clause 4 of this standard.

For an independent institution, two ways are possible and specified by this standard to verify the value of Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) indicated by the manufacturer:

- a) If the documentation of the qualification is presented by the manufacturer to the independent institution on request, the procedure of verification executed by the independent institution is based on the documentation of tests and evaluations done and documented by the manufacturer. In this case, the documentation will be checked by the independent institution in respect to being in accordance with requirements and criteria given in this standard.
- b) If no documentation is presented by the manufacturer on request or if the documentation presented by the manufacturer on request is not accepted as proof of the indicated value of MEI, the independent institution carries out tests on pumps of the size in question according to the requirements given in Annex C of this standard as well as evaluations as described in 5.5 of this standard and applies the methodology and procedure described in Clause 4 of this standard.

Relevance of Sections of this standard for manufacturers or independent institutions

Clause 4 describes nominal values of minimum required efficiency for a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) and is generally relevant when applying this standard.

Clause 5 specifies test procedures, test conditions and evaluations and has to be applied

- by a manufacturer in the case that he decides to determine mean values of a size by tests on sample pumps of this size (e.g. by methods described in Annex D),
- by an independent institution in the case that the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a pump size shall be verified by the procedure described in Clause 7.

Clause 6 describes the procedure to be applied by a manufacturer in order to determine particular threshold values of efficiency for a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a size and to prove the justification of this MEI value by the fulfilment of criteria for the mean efficiency values.

Clause 7 describes the methodology and procedure to be applied by an independent institution in the case that the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI) of a size indicated by the manufacturer shall be verified by third party tests on pumps of this size.

Annex C is concerned with mean values of a pump size which are relevant for manufacturers to prove that a pump size achieves a certain value of the Minimum Efficiency Index (MEI).

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