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b) updating of test methods;

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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies functional, safety requirements and test methods applicable to inflatable type buoyancy compensating devices intended to provide divers with means for controlling buoyancy and if applicable, means for carrying the breathing equipment and/or carrying the weights.

This European Standard is not applicable to other kinds of personal equipment such as life preservers, personal flotation or rescue devices including combined buoyancy and rescue devices.

2 Normative references

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EN 250, *Respiratory equipment - Open-circuit self-contained compressed air diving apparatus - Requirements, testing and marking*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1
buoyancy compensator
BC
inflatable type device that provides the diver with a means for controlling buoyancy

3.2
buoyancy
upward force exerted upon the immersed volume of a body

3.3
maximum buoyancy
maximum upward force of a fully inflated BC

3.4
breathing apparatus
system for providing the user with breathable gas

Note 1 to entry: The breathing apparatus may be, e.g. open circuit according to EN 250, re-breathers according to EN 14143 or umbilical supplied according to EN 15333-1 and EN 15333-2.

3.5
oral inflation device
device that permits inflation of the BC by mouth

3.6
compressed gas inflation device
device to inflate the BC with breathable gas mixture from the breathing apparatus or an independent source