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## **Polypropylene (PP) pipes — Tolerances on outside diameters and wall thicknesses**

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# Polypropylene (PP) pipes — Tolerances on outside diameters and wall thicknesses

## 1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies the permissible deviations of the outside diameters and the wall thicknesses of pipes with outside diameters not exceeding 630 mm and complying with ISO 161/I and ISO 161/II.

This International Standard applies to polypropylene (PP) pipes of circular section for the transport of fluids.

Attention is drawn to ISO 3126.

## 2 REFERENCES

ISO 161/I, *Thermoplastics pipes for the transport of fluids — Nominal outside diameters and nominal pressures — Part I : Metric series.*

ISO 161/II, *Thermoplastics pipes for the transport of fluids — Nominal outside diameters and nominal pressures — Part II : Inch series.*

ISO 3126, *Plastics pipes — Measurement of dimensions.*

## 3 TOLERANCES ON OUTSIDE DIAMETERS

### 3.1 Definitions

**3.1.1 nominal outside diameter ( $d_e$ ) :** The outside diameter of the pipe stated in table 1 of either ISO 161/I or ISO 161/II, as appropriate.

**3.1.2 mean outside diameter ( $d_m$ ) :** The quotient of the measurement of the outside circumference of the pipe and 3,142, rounded to the next higher 0,1 mm.

### 3.2 Tolerances

#### 3.2.1 Mean outside diameter

##### 3.2.1.1 PIPES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ISO 161/I<sup>1)</sup>

The permissible variation ( $d_m - d_e$ ) between the mean out-

side diameter ( $d_m$ ) and the nominal outside diameter ( $d_e$ ) of a pipe as given in ISO 161/I shall be positive, in the form  $+ \frac{x}{0}$ , where  $x$  is less than or equal to the greater of the two following values :

- 0,3 mm;
- 0,009  $d_e$  rounded off to the next higher 0,1 mm.

##### 3.2.1.2 PIPES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ISO 161/II

The permissible variation is identical to that given in 3.2.1.1; however, the tolerance may be applied positively and/or negatively, depending upon size. The precise figures would normally be quoted in the appropriate national standards or International Standards.

## 4 TOLERANCES ON WALL THICKNESSES

### 4.1 Definitions

**4.1.1 nominal wall thickness ( $e$ ) :** The wall thickness of the pipe calculated from the formula given in clause 6 of ISO 161/I and clause 6 of ISO 161/II, rounded off to the next higher 0,1 mm.

**4.1.2 wall thickness at any point ( $e_i$ ) :** The result of the measurement of the wall thickness of the pipe at any point, rounded off to the next higher 0,05 mm.

### 4.2 Tolerances<sup>2)</sup>

The permissible variation ( $e_i - e$ ) between the nominal wall thickness ( $e$ ) and a wall thickness at any point ( $e_i$ ) shall be positive, in the form  $+ \frac{y}{0}$ , where  $y$  is calculated as follows :

- for pipe with an outside diameter less than 400 mm :  
 $y = 0,1 e + 0,2$  (mm)
- for pipe with an outside diameter equal to or greater than 400 mm but not greater than 630 mm :  
 $y = 0,15 e + 0,2$  (mm)

The result of this calculation shall be rounded off to the next higher 0,1 mm.

1) Further studies are being undertaken to determine the possibility of reducing the values a) and b).

2) Further studies are being undertaken to determine the need to increase tolerances for wall thicknesses over 6 mm.