
**Glass-reinforced thermosetting
plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination
of the ring creep properties under wet
or dry conditions**

*Tubes en plastiques thermodurcissables renforcés de verre (PRV) —
Détermination de la rigidité annulaire spécifique à long terme en
fluage en conditions mouillées et calcul du facteur de fluage mouillé*





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Foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- modified the title;
- clarified accuracy statements;
- combined wet and dry creep testing (ISO 7684) into a single document;
- referenced ISO 3126 for dimension determination.

Introduction

This edition of ISO 10468 includes both wet and dry creep testing. The basic procedures and calculations are the same for wet or dry creep testing with the only difference whether or not the test piece is immersed in water. This allows better maintenance of the test procedures and calculation methods and collects all material relating to creep testing of GRP pipe products into a single document. Upon publication of this edition of ISO 10468, it is intended to withdraw ISO 7684.

Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of the ring creep properties under wet or dry conditions

1 Scope

This document specifies methods for determining the ring creep properties for glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes. Properties include the creep factor and the long-term specific creep stiffness. Testing is performed under either wet (total immersion in water) or dry conditions.

Dry creep testing is typically performed for the assessment and control of raw material consistency. Wet creep testing is typically undertaken to determine the long-term creep performance in simulated use conditions.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 3126, *Plastics piping systems — Plastics components — Determination of dimensions*

ISO 7685, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Determination of initial specific ring stiffness*

ISO 10928, *Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes and fittings — Methods for regression analysis and their use*

3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1

vertical compressive force

F

vertical force, applied to a horizontal pipe to cause a vertical deflection

Note 1 to entry: Vertical compressive force is expressed in newtons.

3.2

specific ring stiffness

S

measure of the resistance of a pipe to ring deflection, per metre of length, under external load as defined by [Formula \(1\)](#):

$$S = \frac{E \times I}{d_m^3} \quad (1)$$