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Foreword

This standard makes reference to the following British Standards:

BS 10, *Flanges and bolting for pipes, valves and fittings*.

BS 1211, *Centrifugally cast (spun) iron pressure pipes for water, gas and sewage*.

BS 1560, *Steel pipe flanges and flanged fittings (nominal sizes ½ in to 24 in) for the petroleum industry*.

BS 1575, *Cast iron pipe flanges and flanged fittings, Class 125, for the petroleum industry*.

BS 1576, *Cast iron pipe flanges and flanged fittings, Class 250, for the petroleum industry*.

BS 1770, *Pipe flanges for use on internal combustion engines and installations*.

BS 2035, *Cast iron flanged pipes and flanged fittings*.

BS 3293, *Carbon steel pipe flanges (over 24 in nominal size) for the petroleum industry*.

BS 3381, *Metallic spiral wound gaskets for the petroleum and petrochemical industry*.

This revised British Standard has been prepared under the authority of the Mechanical Engineering Industry Standards Committee, consequent upon the issue of BS 10:1962¹⁾. It should be noted that wherever BS 10 is referred to in this standard, the 1962 edition is intended.

The committee have given further thoughts to the various duties of gaskets and have concluded, as before, that it is not practicable at present to specify materials and thicknesses.

The plan dimensions of gaskets to suit flanges to BS 10 and BS 2035²⁾ have been revised. As regards flanges to BS 2035, these are at present being brought into line with BS 10:1962 by Committee ISE/16.

The plan dimensions of gaskets to suit flanges to BS 1770³⁾ remain unaltered.

The outside dimensions of full face gaskets are the same as the outside dimensions of the flanges. The outside diameters of “inside bolt circle” gaskets to suit BS 10 flanges are now equal to the bolt pitch circle diameter less one bolt hole diameter, to agree with BS 10, Clause 1.

The inside diameters of gaskets to suit BS 10 flanges are now equal to the outside diameters of the steel pipe appropriate to the flange size designation, except for gaskets to suit flanges to BS 10, Table K (over 6 in nominal bore) and Table R and Table S; these dimensions are also suitable for centrifugally cast (“spun”) cast iron pipes made in accordance with BS 1211⁴⁾ with screwed-on flanges.

The inside diameters of gaskets to suit BS 1770 flanges are equal to the maximum bores of the flanges.

Full face gaskets are not specified for BS 10 flanges to Table R and Table S, and inside bolt circle gaskets for these flanges have been limited to sizes up to and including 5 in and 3 in flange size designations respectively. Dimensions for Table K gaskets have been limited to sizes up to and including 15 in flange size designation. This is because above these sizes the thickness of steel pipe varies to such a wide extent as to make standardization impracticable. For the same reason, no gasket dimensions have been standardized for BS 10, Table T.

The tables in this British Standard have been lettered or numbered to conform to the corresponding tables in the appropriate flange standards.

¹⁾ BS 10:1962, “*Flanges and bolting for pipes, valves and fittings*”.

²⁾ BS 2035, “*Cast iron flanged pipes and flanged fittings*”.

³⁾ BS 1770, “*Pipe flanges for use on internal combustion engines and installations*”.

⁴⁾ BS 1211, “*Centrifugally cast (spun) iron pressure pipes for water, gas and sewage*”.

NOTE 1 When metric equivalents of the pipe dimensions in this standard are required reference should be made to the corresponding values in ISO Recommendations R 64⁵⁾ and R 65⁶⁾ as appropriate. When it is required to convert the figures in this standard from British units into metric units it is recommended that the conversion factors and the table of conversions contained in BS 350, "*Conversion factors and tables*", be used.

Attention is also drawn to BS 2856, "*Precise conversion of inch and metric sizes or engineering drawings*".

NOTE 2 Attention is drawn to the Appendix which gives a conversion table for inch to metric units. A British Standard does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a contract. Users of British Standards are responsible for their correct application.

Compliance with a British Standard does not of itself confer immunity from legal obligations.

Summary of pages

This document comprises a front cover, an inside front cover, pages i to iv, pages 1 to 26 and a back cover.

This standard has been updated (see copyright date) and may have had amendments incorporated. This will be indicated in the amendment table on the inside front cover.

⁵⁾ ISO R 64, "*Steel tubes: outside diameters*".

⁶⁾ ISO R 65, "*Steel tubes suitable for screwing in accordance with ISO Recommendation R 7*".

Obsolescent (by Amendment No. 1). This British Standard has been declared obsolescent and is not recommended for use in new equipment but needs to be retained to provide for the servicing of existing equipment that is expected to have a long working life.

1 Scope

This British Standard specifies the “plan” dimensions of gaskets suitable for use with flanges to BS 10⁷⁾, BS 1770⁸⁾ and BS 2035⁹⁾.

This standard does not include spiral edge-wound or other special types of gasket.

Dimensions of gaskets for use with flanges to BS 10, Table K, Table R and Table S have been limited to sizes up to and including 15 in, 5 in and 3 in flange size designations respectively and no gasket dimensions have been standardized for BS 10, Table T. This is because wide variations may occur in the actual inside diameters of steel pipes fitted with flanges of the same size designations to the higher tables of BS 10. In such cases, it is not practicable to specify the inside diameter of gaskets and there would be little advantage in specifying the outside diameters only.

NOTE Gasket dimensions for flanges for the petroleum industry are given in the British Standards for pipe flanges and gaskets for the petroleum industry, BS1560¹⁰⁾, BS 3293¹¹⁾, BS 3381¹²⁾, BS 1575¹³⁾ and BS 1576¹⁴⁾.

2 Definition

For the purposes of this standard, the following definition applies:

gasket

packing which is used between flat flanges and faces

3 Dimensions

The “plan” dimensions of gaskets to suit flanges to BS 10⁷⁾ shall conform to those given in Table A to Table S.

For pipes lined with bitumen or other material, the inside diameter of gaskets may be altered by agreement between purchaser and manufacturer.

The “plan” dimensions of gaskets to suit flanges to BS 1770⁸⁾ shall conform to those given in Table 1 to Table 3.

4 Marking

By agreement between purchaser and manufacturer gaskets which conform to the dimensions specified in this standard may be marked with the BS number, table reference and flange size designation or flange reference number to which they refer.

Examples: “BS 10, Table A, 6 in”

“BS 1770, Table 1, ref. No. 1”.

⁷⁾ BS 10, “Flanges and bolting for pipes, valves and fittings”.

⁸⁾ BS 1770, “Pipe flanges for use on internal combustion engines and installations”.

⁹⁾ BS 2035, “Cast iron flanged pipes and flanged fittings”.

¹⁰⁾ BS 1560, “Steel pipe flanges and flanged fittings (nominal sizes ½ in to 24 in) for the petroleum industry”.

¹¹⁾ BS 3293, “Carbon steel pipe flanges (over 24 in nominal size) for the petroleum industry”.

¹²⁾ BS 3381, “Metallic spiral wound gaskets for the petroleum and petrochemical industry”.

¹³⁾ BS 1575, “Cast iron pipe flanges and flanged fittings, Class 125, for the petroleum industry”.

¹⁴⁾ BS 1576, “Cast iron pipe flanges and flanged fittings, Class 250, for the petroleum industry”.

Table A — Gaskets to suit pipe flanges to BS 10, Table A

i) “Inside bolt circle” gaskets (all dimensions are in inches)

Flange size designation (nominal bore of pipe)	Outside diameter	Inside diameter	Gasket also suitable for Tables
$\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{16}$	$2\frac{7}{32}$	Table D, Table E, Table F
$\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{5}{16}$	$1\frac{1}{16}$	Table D, Table E, Table F
1	$2\frac{11}{16}$	$1\frac{11}{32}$	Table D, Table E, Table F, Table H
$1\frac{1}{4}$	$2\frac{7}{8}$	$1\frac{11}{16}$	Table D, Table E
$1\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{5}{16}$	$1\frac{29}{32}$	Table D, Table E
2	$3\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{3}{8}$	Table D, Table E
$2\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{4}$	3	Table D, Table E
3	5	$3\frac{1}{2}$	Table D, Table E
$3\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{3}{4}$	4	Table D, Table E
4	$6\frac{1}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	Table D, Table E
5	$7\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	Table D, Table E
6	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{5}{8}$	Table D
7	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{5}{8}$	Table D
8	$10\frac{3}{4}$	$8\frac{5}{8}$	Table D
9	12	$9\frac{5}{8}$	Table D
10	$13\frac{1}{8}$	$10\frac{3}{4}$	Table D, Table E
12	$15\frac{1}{8}$	$12\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
13	$16\frac{3}{8}$	14	Table D
14	$17\frac{1}{2}$	15	Table D, Table E
15	$18\frac{1}{2}$	16	Table D, Table E
16	$19\frac{1}{2}$	17	Table D, Table E
17	$20\frac{3}{4}$	18	Table D, Table E
18	22	19	Table D, Table E
19	23	20	Table D, Table E

Table A — Gaskets to suit pipe flanges to BS 10, Table A

ii) “Full face” gaskets (all dimensions are in inches)

Flange size designation (nominal bore of pipe)	Outside diameter	Inside diameter	P.C. diameter of bolt holes	No. of bolt holes	Bolt hole diameter	Gasket also suitable for Tables
$\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{7}{32}$	$2\frac{5}{8}$	4	$\frac{9}{16}$	Table D, Table E, Table F
$\frac{3}{4}$	4	$1\frac{1}{16}$	$2\frac{7}{8}$	4	$\frac{9}{16}$	Table D, Table E, Table F
1	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{11}{32}$	$3\frac{1}{4}$	4	$\frac{9}{16}$	Table D, Table E
$1\frac{1}{4}$	$4\frac{3}{4}$	$1\frac{11}{16}$	$3\frac{7}{16}$	4	$\frac{9}{16}$	Table D, Table E
$1\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{29}{32}$	$3\frac{7}{8}$	4	$\frac{9}{16}$	Table D, Table E
2	6	$2\frac{3}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D, Table E
$2\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	3	5	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D, Table E
3	$7\frac{1}{4}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{3}{4}$	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D, Table E
$3\frac{1}{2}$	8	4	$6\frac{1}{2}$	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
4	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	7	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
5	10	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{4}$	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	—
6	11	$6\frac{5}{8}$	$9\frac{1}{4}$	4	$\frac{3}{4}$	—
7	12	$7\frac{5}{8}$	$10\frac{1}{4}$	8	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
8	$13\frac{1}{4}$	$8\frac{5}{8}$	$11\frac{1}{2}$	8	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
9	$14\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{5}{8}$	$12\frac{3}{4}$	8	$\frac{3}{4}$	Table D
10	16	$10\frac{3}{4}$	14	8	$\frac{7}{8}$	Table D
12	18	$12\frac{3}{4}$	16	8	$\frac{7}{8}$	—
13	$19\frac{1}{4}$	14	$17\frac{1}{4}$	8	$\frac{7}{8}$	—
14	$20\frac{3}{4}$	15	$18\frac{1}{2}$	8	1	—
15	$21\frac{3}{4}$	16	$19\frac{1}{2}$	8	1	—
16	$22\frac{3}{4}$	17	$20\frac{1}{2}$	12	1	Table D, Table E
17	24	18	$21\frac{3}{4}$	12	1	Table D, Table E
18	$25\frac{1}{4}$	19	23	12	1	Table D
19	$26\frac{1}{2}$	20	24	12	1	Table D

Table A — Gaskets to suit pipe flanges to BS 10, Table A

i) “Inside bolt circle” gaskets (all dimensions are in inches)

Flange size designation (nominal bore of pipe)	Outside diameter	Inside diameter	Gasket also suitable for Tables
20	24 ¹ / ₄	21	Table D, Table E
21	25 ¹ / ₂	22	Table D
22	26 ³ / ₈	23	Table D, Table E
23	27 ³ / ₈	24	Table D, Table E
24	28 ⁵ / ₈	25	Table D,
27	30 ⁵ / ₈	28	—
29	32 ⁵ / ₈	30	—
30	33 ⁵ / ₈	31	—
33	36 ⁷ / ₈	34	—
35	38 ⁷ / ₈	36	—
36	39 ⁷ / ₈	37	—
39	42 ⁷ / ₈	40	—
42	45 ⁷ / ₈	43	—
45	49 ¹ / ₈	46	—
48	52 ¹ / ₈	49	—
54	58 ⁷ / ₈	55	Table D
60	65 ⁵ / ₈	61	—
66	71 ⁷ / ₈	67 ¹ / ₄	—
72	78	73 ¹ / ₄	—

Table A — Gaskets to suit pipe flanges to BS 10, Table A

ii) “Full face” gaskets (all dimensions are in inches)

Flange size designation (nominal bore of pipe)	Outside diameter	Inside diameter	P.C. diameter of bolt holes	No. of bolt holes	Bolt hole diameter	Gasket also suitable for Tables
20	27 ³ / ₄	21	25 ¹ / ₄	12	1	—
21	29	22	26 ¹ / ₂	12	1	—
22	30	23	27 ¹ / ₂	12	1 ¹ / ₈	—
23	31	24	28 ¹ / ₂	12	1 ¹ / ₈	—
24	32 ¹ / ₂	25	29 ³ / ₄	12	1 ¹ / ₈	—
27	34 ¹ / ₄	28	31 ³ / ₄	16	1 ¹ / ₈	—
29	36 ¹ / ₄	30	33 ³ / ₄	20	1 ¹ / ₈	—
30	37 ¹ / ₄	31	34 ³ / ₄	20	1 ¹ / ₈	—
33	40 ¹ / ₂	34	38	20	1 ¹ / ₈	—
35	42 ¹ / ₂	36	40	24	1 ¹ / ₈	—
36	43 ¹ / ₂	37	41	24	1 ¹ / ₈	—
39	46 ¹ / ₂	40	44	24	1 ¹ / ₈	—
42	49 ¹ / ₂	43	47	28	1 ¹ / ₈	—
45	52 ³ / ₄	46	50 ¹ / ₄	28	1 ¹ / ₈	—
48	55 ³ / ₄	49	53 ¹ / ₄	28	1 ¹ / ₈	—
54	63 ¹ / ₄	55	60 ¹ / ₄	32	1 ³ / ₈	—
60	70 ¹ / ₄	61	67	32	1 ³ / ₈	—
66	76 ¹ / ₂	67 ¹ / ₄	73 ¹ / ₄	32	1 ³ / ₈	—
72	83	73 ¹ / ₄	79 ¹ / ₂	36	1 ¹ / ₂	—