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Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Polypropylene (PP)

Part 2: Pipes

National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN ISO 15874-2:2013+A2:2022. It is identical to ISO 15874-2:2013, incorporating amendment 1:2018 and amendment 2:2022. It supersedes BS EN ISO 15874-2:2013+A1:2018, which is withdrawn.

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The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee PRI/88/2, Plastics piping for pressure applications.

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As the scope of this standard does not cover polypropylene (PP) piping systems for installations having service conditions in excess of those in Table 1 of BS EN ISO 15874-1:2013+A1:2022, the UK committee advises users to consult BS 7291-1:2010+A1:2023 when applying this standard.

BS 7291-1:2010+A1:2023 gives the Class “S” service conditions for sealed central heating systems and indirect hot water primary circuits in which the maximum system service temperature is 105 °C and the system malfunction temperature is 114 °C. As both of these temperatures are significantly in excess of those specified in Table 1 of BS EN ISO 15874-1:2013+A1:2022, and sealed central heating systems and indirect hot water primary circuits are therefore not covered by it, the UK committee advises that PP piping systems conforming to the requirements of this standard should also be subjected to the temperatures given in Table 1 of BS 7291-1:2010+A1:2023.

The UK committee also advises users that:

- a) The normal maximum operating cold water supply pressure in the UK is 12.5 bar (1 bar = 100 kPa), which some categories of piping systems in the BS EN ISO 15874 series of standards do not meet.
- b) There is a disparity between the malfunction temperature quoted in Table 1 of BS EN ISO 15874-1:2013+A1:2022 (100 °C) and the malfunction temperatures applicable to boilers conforming to the requirements of BS EN 15502-1:2021+A1:2023, BS EN 15502-2-1:2022+A1:2023 and BS EN 15502-2-2:2014 (110 °C). Consequently, piping systems used with these gas-fired central heating boilers could be subjected to temperatures in service for which they have not been tested.
- c) Piping systems conforming to the requirements of the BS EN ISO 15874 series of standards are designed for hot and cold water installations and are not suitable for waste discharge from unvented hot water systems (i.e. downstream pipe D2).
- d) Continuously operated recirculating domestic hot water systems (known as recirculating, secondary hot circulation, return or ring main systems) carry pumped hot potable water to outlets where the temperature is between 60 °C and 70 °C, and is replenished by an incoming water supply to replace the water drawn to outlets. Piping systems conforming to the requirements of the BS EN ISO 15874 series of standards are not suitable for this use.

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 15874-2:2003 and ISO 15874-2:2003/Amd 1:2007), which has been technically revised. In Clause 6, 6.2.2, Table 5, the material PP-RCT has been included, and Annex A, Table A.6, pipe dimensions have been extended to 160 mm.

ISO 15874 consists of the following parts¹⁾ under the general title *Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Polypropylene (PP)*:

- *Part 1: General*
- *Part 2: Pipes*
- *Part 3: Fittings*
- *Part 5: Fitness for purpose of the system*
- *Part 7: Guidance for the assessment of conformity* [Technical specification]

1) For ancillary equipment separate standards can apply. Guidance on installation of plastics piping systems made from different materials intended to be used for hot and cold water installations is given by CEN/TR 12108 [1].

Introduction

This part of ISO 15874 specifies the requirements for a piping system when made from polypropylene (PP). The piping system is intended to be used for hot and cold water installations.

Regarding potential adverse effects on the quality of water intended for human consumption, caused by the product covered by ISO 15874

- no information is provided as to whether the product can be used without restriction;
- existing national regulations concerning the use and/or the characteristics of this product remain in force.

Requirements and test methods for material and components, other than pipes, are specified in ISO 15874-1 and ISO 15874-3. Characteristics for fitness for purpose (mainly for joints) are covered in ISO 15874-5. ISO/TS 15874-7 gives guidance for the assessment of conformity.

This part of ISO 15874 specifies the characteristics of pipes.

At the date of publication of this part of ISO 15874, the following system International Standards for piping systems of other plastics materials used for the same application are

- ISO 15875, *Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Crosslinked polyethylene (PE-X)*
- ISO 15876, *Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Polybutylene (PB)*
- ISO 15877, *Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Chlorinated poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-C)*
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