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Plastics piping systems for hot and cold water installations — Polyethylene of raised temperature resistance (PE-RT)

Part 3: Fittings

National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN ISO 22391-3:2009+A2:2021. It is identical to ISO 22391-3:2009, incorporating amendment 1:2020 and amendment 2:2021. It supersedes BS EN ISO 22391-3:2009+A1:2020, which is withdrawn.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 polyethylene of raised temperature resistance (PE-RT) piping systems for installations having service conditions in excess of those in Table 1 of BS EN ISO 22391-1:2009, 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 22391-1:2009, and sealed central heating systems and indirect hot water primary circuits are therefore not covered by it, the UK committee advises that PE-RT 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 22391 series of standards do not meet.
- b) There is a disparity between the malfunction temperature quoted in Table 1 of BS EN ISO 22391-1:2009 (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 22391 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 22391 series of standards are not suitable for this use.

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- *Part 1: General*
- *Part 2: Pipes*
- *Part 3: Fittings*
- *Part 5: Fitness for purpose of the system*

1) This System Standard does not incorporate a Part 4: Ancillary equipment or a Part 6: Guidance for installation. For ancillary equipment, separate standards can apply. Guidance for installation of plastics piping systems made from different materials, intended to be used for hot and cold water installations, is covered by ENV 12108.