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AENOR N Mark Specific Rules for pipes made of oriented unplasticized poly (vinyl chloride) (PVC-O) for the conveyance of water under pressure

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1 Purpose and scope

This document aims to define the procedure for the application, granting and maintenance of the N Mark of pipes made of oriented unplasticized poly (vinyl chloride)(PVC-O), for piping systems intended to be used underground or above-ground where not exposed to direct sunlight, for water mains and services, pressurized sewer systems and irrigation systems, complementing the N Mark Specific Rules for plastic materials – common requirements (RP 001.00).

The General Rules always prevail over the present Specific Rules.

The N mark for pipes made of oriented unplasticized poly (vinyl chloride) (PVC-O), hereafter the Mark, denotes product compliance with the standard UNE-EN 17176-1:2019, UNE-EN 17176-2:2019+A1:2023, UNE-EN 17176-5:2019, ISO 16422-1:2024, ISO 16422-2:2024 e ISO 16422-5:2024 and SANS 16422:2016.

2 Definition and special requirements

Clasification of material: Depending on the degree of orientation determined that defines its properties: PVC-O 315; PVC-O 355; PVC-O 400; PVC-O 450; PVC-O 500.

Class: it is consider a class the set of pipes that have the same diameter and nominal wall thickness, inside the same classification of material.

Type: Depending on the connection system, the following types are established:

- Type 0: Plain pipes
- Type 1: Pipes with integrated socket by gluing (self-locking)
- Type 2: Pipes with smooth ends elastomeric sealing ring (not self-locking)

Together with the application form, the "provisional reference curve" will be presented according to Annex A of standart ISO 16422-2:2024 o UNE-EN 17176-2:2019+A1:2023, in order to classify the material with which the pipes are made. After 18 months the "final reference curve" will be presented.

Diameter group: Depending on the diameters, the following groups are established:

- Group 1: $dn < 75$
- Group 2: $75 \leq dn < 250$

- Group 3: 250≤dn<710
- Group 4: 710≤dn≤1000

WATER QUALITY FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

With regard to potential adverse effects on water quality for human consumption caused by the products covered by the products standards, the clients of the N Mark, will provide to AENOR during the inspection visit the evidence that their product complies with the RD 3/2023.

Article 44 of of the mentioned document states that 'materials which come into contact with drinking water must not impair the quality of the water or transmit to the water substances, germs or properties which are harmful to health or which may impair the water's compliance with the parameters of Annex I and must meet the basic hygiene requirements mentioned'.

For it, evidence must be provided of complying with the RD 3/2023 through migration test according to the UNE-EN 12873 Standard, performed every five years and / or certificates issued by competent authorities of compliance with the RD 140/2003.

3 Sampling and testing for granting and maintaining the product N Mark certificate

3.1 Test to be carried out in factory (See RP 001.00)

AENOR will carry out the tests indicated in table 1 during the initial or surveillance inspection.

3.2 Sampling and tests to be carried out by the laboratory (See RP 001.00)

AENOR will select and marked the necessary samples to carry out in the laboratory the tests indicated in table 1.

The client will send the selected samples to the laboratories indicated by the AENOR, in a maximum term 7 days since the date of inspection. In case that the laboratory requested be necessary, the client of the certificate will send technical personnel for welds or assemblies needed to carry out the tests.

TABLE 1

	TESTS	GRANTING/MAINTANING	VALUATION OF RESULTS
TESTS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE INSPECTOR IN THE FACTORY	Appearance	10 pipes at random	1
	Mean Outside diameter	1 pipe per class	2
	Wall thickness	1 pipe per class	3
	Ovality	1 pipe / diameter	2
	Mean inside diameter of the socket (type 1 and 2)	1 pipe / diameter	2
	Socket lenght (1)	Types 1: 1 pipe / diameter	2
	Pipe length (3)	10 pipes / type	2
TESTS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE LABORATORY	Opacity (4)	1 pipe, selecting the one with the lowest thickness	1
	Density (7) (Only UNE-EN 17176)	1 class randomly	1
	Orientation factor (Only UNE-EN 17176)	5% of the classes, minimum 1 DN per diameter group	1
	Impact resistance	15% of the classes minimum 2	1
	Ring stiffness	20% of the classes, minimum 2 per SN	1
	Uniaxial tensile strength (5)	5 % classes, minimum 2	1
	Vicat softening temperature (6)	1 class at random /clasification of the material	1
	Resistance to internal pressure 10 h-20°C (2) (*)	5% classes /clasification of the material	1
	Resistance to internal pressure 1000 h-20°C (2) (**)	1 class at random /clasification of the material	1
	Resistance to internal pressure 1000 h-60°C (2) (***)	1 class at random / clasification of the material (Only at granting and every five years)	1
	Resistance to internal pressure for pipes with integrated socket	1 class / type of assembly and joint	1
	FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS		
	Short term pressure test for leaktighness of the assemblies and with angular deviation (UNE-EN ISO 13845, Only type 2)	1 class / type of assembly and joint	1
	Short term negative pressure test for leaktighness of the assemblies (UNE-EN ISO 13844, Only type 2)	1 class / type of assembly and joint	1
	Long term hydrostatic internal pressure (UNE-EN ISO 13846, Only type 2)	1 class / type of assembly and joint	1
	Pressure and bending test for leaktightness and strength (for end-load-bearing joints) (Only ISO 16422)	1 class / type of assembly	1

(1) According to Annex B of the ISO 16422-2 and UNE-EN 17176-2 standards.

(2) See table 5 according to UNE-EN 17176-2 and table 4 according to ISO 16422-2.

(3) It will be the length defined by the manufacturer. In case of UNE-EN 17176, tolerances of table 2 of the standard must be applied.

(4) When the manufacturer declares it.

(5) In case of dispute, conform ISO 16422 or SANS 16422, the method of resistance of dichloromethane should be used on preformed pipe. Conform UNE-EN 17176-2 and ISO 16422-2 the method of DSC should be used.

(6) It shall be performed on preformed pipe. During the inspection visit, the inspector will sample preformed pipe.

(*) For one of the classes that this test is applicable, the test of integrated pipe according to the point 9.1.3 of the standard ISO 16422-2 and UNE-EN 17176-2, in case of failure, it would not be necessary to perform the test on the pipe according to the point 9.1.1 of the standard ISO 16422-2 and UNE-EN 17176-2. It will only be applicable to the other classes that correspond 5% of the classes.

(**) For 20°C, it is necessary to perform this test on pipes with integral sockets, according to point 9.1.3 of the Product Standard ISO 16422-2 and UNE-EN 17176-2. If there is no evidence of the failure, it would not be necessary to perform the test on the pipe according to point 9.1.1 of the product standard ISO 16422-2 and UNE-EN 17176-2.

(***) For 60°C, it is necessary to perform this test on plain pipes, according to point 9.1.2 of the Product Standard ISO 16422-2 UNE-EN 17176-2.

4 Manufacturer internal control

4.1 Characteristics under factory production control (See RP 001.00)

– **Raw materials**

The client must ensure that the mixtures and compounds involved in the manufacture of pipes having appropriate characteristics of the pipes have the appropriate characteristics to comply with the requirements of the standard.

– **Controls on the final product**

Tests and their frequency are stated in table 2, as proceed.

TABLE 2

TESTS	FREQUENCY
Appearance	Every 4 h / production line
Mean outside diameter	
Wall thickness	
Ovality	
Socket length	
Pipe lenght (3)	
Mean inside diameter of the socket (type 1 and 2)	
Opacity (1)	Whenever the formulation changes in any of the components that affect this feature
Value of K	Certificate of raw material per each delivery batch
Density (7) (Only UNE-EN 17176)	Once a year/ 1 class randomly
Orientation factor (Only UNE-EN 17176)	Once a year/ Group diameters and PN
Impact resistance	Once per production period
Ring stiffness	Once per production period
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Resitance to internal pressure 10 h-20°C (2)	Once per production period. Minimum 1/week
Resistance to internal pressure 1000 h-20°C (2)	Once a year / 1 class/ clasification of the material
Resistance to internal pressure 1000 h-60°C (2)	
Vicat softening temperature (5)	
Resistance to internal pressure for pipes with integral sockets	Minimum once a year per type of assembly and joint
FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS	
Short term pressure test for leaktightness of the assemblies and with angular deviation (UNE-EN ISO 13845, Only type 2)	Minimum once a year 1 class / type of assembly and joint
Short term negative pressure test for leaktighness of the assemblies (UNE-EN ISO 13844, Only type 2)	
Long term hydrostatic internal pressure (UNE-EN ISO 13846, Only type 2)	
Pressure and bending test for leaktightness and strength (for end-load-bearing joints) (ISO 16422)	

(1) When the manufacturer declares it.

(2) See table 5 according to UNE-EN 17176-2 and table 4 according to ISO 16422-2.

(3) It will be the length defined by the manufacturer. In case UNE-EN 17176-2, should apply tolerances according to table 2 of this standard.

(4) The manufacturer may choose to perform the resistance test dichloromethane (on preformed pipe), the uniaxial tensile, or DSC.

(5) It shall be performed on preformed or reversed pipe.

5 Marking of certified products

The marking of the pipes will be carried out every meter. The minimum required marking of the pipe is the following:

— Reference to the word AENOR.

— N Mark logotype, with a size not less than 5mm.

— Number of the contract signed with AENOR or certificate number: 001/XXX.

— Trademark.

— Material of the pipe (PVC-O) and its classification.

— Nominal external diameter x wall thickness.

— Nominal pressure (in bar).

— Service ratio (design) C.

— Manufacturer´s information (manufacturing period, year, month, etc).

— Number of the applicable standard ISO 16422, SANS 16422 o UNE-EN 17176.

Example:

AENOR - N - 001/XXX - Nº 001 / XXX – Trademark - PVC-O 400 - 160 x 4,9 - PN 16 - C 1,6 - Manufacturer's information – ISO 16422 or SANS 16422 or UNE-EN 17176

Annex C

Description Questionnaire for PVC-O Pipes

CLIENT:

SITE OF MANUFACTURE:

PRODUCT:

STANDARD(S):

UNE-EN 17176 ☐ ISO 16422 ☐ SANS 16422 ☐

TRADEMARK (S):

DATE:

DIAMETER (mm)	PN (Bar)	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	DESIGN COEFFICIENT	JOIN SYSTEM

For any change of these date, the client will send on duplicate to the Committee Secretary this descriptive questionnaire updated.

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SIGNATURE AND STAMP OF THE MANUFACTURER