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Partie 5: Identification des imperfections visuelles



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## Foreword

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ISO 16589-5 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 131, *Fluid power systems*, Subcommittee SC 7, *Sealing devices*.

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ISO 16589 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Rotary shaft lip-type seals incorporating thermoplastic sealing elements*:

- Part 1: Nominal dimensions and tolerances
- Part 2: Vocabulary
- Part 3: Storage, handling and installation
- Part 4: Performance test procedures
- Part 5: Identification of visual imperfections

## Introduction

Rotary shaft lip-type seals are used to retain fluid in equipment where the differential pressure is relatively low. Typically, the shaft rotates and the housing is stationary, although in some applications the shaft is stationary and the housing rotates.

Dynamic sealing is normally the result of a designed interference fit between the shaft and a flexible element incorporated in the seal.

Similarly, a designed interference fit between the outside diameter of the seal and the diameter of the housing bore retains the seal and prevents static leakage.

Careful storage and handling and proper installation of all seals are necessary to avoid hazards, both prior to and during installation, which would adversely affect service life.

# Rotary shaft lip-type seals incorporating thermoplastic sealing elements —

## Part 5: Identification of visual imperfections

### 1 Scope

ISO 16589 specifies seals utilizing sealing elements manufactured from suitably formulated compounds based on thermoplastic materials, such as polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE). They are considered suitable for use under low pressure conditions.

This part of ISO 16589 defines and classifies typical surface imperfections that could impair the function of the seals, and is intended as a convenience for purchasers and manufacturers in their discussions concerning the importance of these imperfections in different applications.

NOTE ISO 16589 is complementary to ISO 6194, which covers seals incorporating elastomeric sealing elements.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 5598, Fluid power systems and components — Vocabulary

ISO 16589-2, Rotary shaft lip-type seals incorporating thermoplastic sealing elements — Part 2: Vocabulary

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 5598 and ISO 16589-2 apply.

#### 4 Characteristic imperfections

#### 4.1 Definition of sealing lip critical area

The sealing lip critical area is defined in Figure 1.

#### 4.2 Type and name of imperfections

Some typical imperfections are shown in Figures 2 to 20, and listed in Tables 1 and 2.