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European foreword

This document (EN 1610:2015) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 165 “Wastewater engineering”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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— updating of references and their associated requirements;

— addition of requirements for the soil-pipe-system.

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1 Scope

This European Standard is applicable to the construction and related testing of drains and sewers usually buried in the ground and usually operating under gravity but up to 0,5 kPa when surcharged.

The construction of pipelines operating under pressure is covered by this European Standard together with EN 805 as appropriate (e.g. for testing).

This European Standard is applicable to drains and sewers installed in trenches, under embankments or above ground. For trenchless construction EN 12889 applies. Additionally, other local or national regulations may apply, e.g. concerning health and safety, pavement reinstatement and requirements for tightness testing.

NOTE Further information is given by reference to national documents listed in Annex D.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 476:2011, *General requirements for components used in drains and sewers*

EN 752, *Drain and sewer systems outside buildings*

EN 805, *Water supply — Requirements for systems and components outside buildings*

EN 1295-1, *Structural design of buried pipelines under various conditions of loading — Part 1: General requirements*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply. The same definitions apply for trenches with vertical or sloping sides and for pipes laid below embankments. Some of these terms are illustrated in Figure 1.

3.1
bedding
part of the construction which supports the pipe between the trench bottom and the sidefill or initial backfill

Note 1 to entry: The bedding consists of upper and lower bedding. In the case of the pipe laid on natural trench bottom, the trench bottom is the lower bedding.

3.2
compaction layer thickness
thickness of each new layer of fill material prior to its compaction

3.3
depth of cover
vertical distance from the top of the pipe barrel to the surface

3.4
embedment
fill around the pipe including bedding, sidefill and initial backfill