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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 10297:2014), which has been technically revised. It also incorporates the Amendment ISO 10297:2014/Amd.1:2017.

The main changes are as follows:

- clarification of the Scope concerning different VIPR designs;
- addition of several new terms and definitions, e.g. VIPR types A, B and C for easy referencing of different design types;
- oxygen pressure surge test:
 - for VIPRs transferred from ISO 22435 and amended,
 - for RPVs transferred from ISO 15996 and amended,
 - reference for test equipment and procedure to ISO 11114-6,
- endurance test for specific VIPR designs transferred from ISO 22435 and amended;
- endurance test of the filling connection non-return valve transferred from ISO 22435 with clarification of the test procedure without changes to the acceptance criteria;
- acetylene decomposition test of VIPR designs transferred from ISO 22435 and amended;
- subclause 5.3 "Dimensions" removed;
- introduction of [Table 2](#) for giving the different leakage rates depending on the valve design;

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- introduction of recommendations for flow capacity values and reference to CGA V-9 for the respective determination as an example;
- introduction of a valve spindle impact test for pin-index valves not permanently protected during transport and use;
- introduction of the hydraulic pressure test also in the closed position for manually operated valves;
- introduction of an additional tightness test for pressure relief valves located upstream of the valve operating mechanism;
- Annex D "Example of test schedule" removed;
- information on changes and/or material variants within a valve design moved to new [Annex F](#) and amended.

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- in [5.5.4.2](#), the first sentence has been modified to adjust to the criteria for the hydraulic pressure test given in [5.4.1](#);
- in [6.4](#), third paragraph, the missing test number "no. 14" has been added;
- in [Annex A](#), third paragraph, the alternative value "or 40 J" has been added for the impact energy used in the impact test.

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This document has been written so that it is suitable to be referenced in the UN Model Regulations.

The term “pressure receptacle” is used within this document to cover instances where no differentiation is necessary between gas cylinders, bundles of cylinders, pressure drums and tubes.

In this document, the unit bar is used, due to its universal use in the field of technical gases. It should, however, be noted that bar is not an SI unit, and that the corresponding SI unit for pressure is Pa ($1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ Pa} = 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$).

Pressure values given in this document are given as gauge pressure (pressure exceeding atmospheric pressure) unless noted otherwise.

Any tolerances given in this document include measurement uncertainties.

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1 Scope

This document specifies design, type testing and marking requirements for:

- a) cylinder valves intended to be fitted to refillable transportable gas cylinders;
- b) main valves (excluding ball valves) for bundles of cylinders;
- c) cylinder valves or main valves with integrated pressure regulator (VIPR);

NOTE 1 This includes the following specific VIPR designs where:

- 1) The pressure regulating system is acting as the primary valve operating mechanism (VIPR type B). This also includes designs where closure of the primary valve operating mechanism is obtained by closing the seat of the pressure regulating mechanism.
- 2) The primary valve operating mechanism is located at the low-pressure side of the pressure regulating system (VIPR type C).

- d) valves for pressure drums and tubes;

which convey compressed, liquefied or dissolved gases.

NOTE 2 Where there is no risk of ambiguity, cylinder valves, main valves, VIPRs and valves for pressure drums and tubes are addressed with the collective term “valves” within this document.

This document does not apply to

- valves for cryogenic equipment, portable fire extinguishers and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG);
- quick-release cylinder valves (e.g. for fire-extinguishing, explosion protection and rescue applications) - requirements for quick-release cylinder valves are specified in ISO 17871 which contains normative references to this document;
- self-closing cylinder valves and ball valves.

NOTE 3 Requirements for valves for cryogenic vessels are specified in ISO 21011 and at a regional level, e.g. in EN 1626. Requirements for LPG valves are specified in ISO 14245 or ISO 15995. Requirements for self-closing cylinder valves are specified in ISO 17879. Requirements for ball valves are specified in ISO 23826. Requirements for valves for portable fire extinguishers at a regional level are specified, for example, in the EN 3 series.

This document only covers the function of a valve as a closure. Other functions that are possibly integrated in the valve can be covered by other standards. Such standards do however not constitute requirements according to this document.

NOTE 4 Definition of and specific requirements for VIPRs in addition to those that are given in this document are specified in ISO 22435 for industrial applications or ISO 10524-3 for medical applications. Similarly, certain specific requirements for residual pressure valves (RPV) with or without a non-return function in addition to those that are given in this document are given in ISO 15996.

NOTE 5 Certain specific requirements for valves for breathing apparatus in addition to those that are given in this document are specified at a regional level, for example, in the EN 144 series. Certain specific requirements for quick-release valves for fixed fire-fighting systems in addition to those that are given in this document are specified in ISO 16003 and at a regional level, for example, in EN 12094-4.

NOTE 6 Requirements for manufacturing tests and examinations of valves covered by this document are given in ISO 14246.