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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13577-2:2014), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- revised document structure with requirements consolidated for the different fuels;
- improvement and specification of the requirements for testing the fuel pipework after construction;
- addition of requirements for gas pressure boosting systems;
- integration of selected requirements from the regional annexes into the global standard text;
- requirements for solid fuels removed;
- additional informative annex listing relevant product standards for components in the different regions.

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## Introduction

This document is a type-C standard as defined in ISO 12100:2010.

This document is of relevance, in particular, for the following stakeholder groups representing the market players with regard to machinery safety:

- machine manufacturers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- health and safety bodies (regulators, accident prevention organisations, market surveillance etc.)

Others can be affected by the level of machinery safety achieved with the means of the document by the above-mentioned stakeholder groups:

- machine users/employers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- machine users/employees (e.g. trade unions, organizations for people with special needs);
- service providers, e.g. for maintenance (small, medium and large enterprises);
- consumers (in case of machinery intended for use by consumers).

The above-mentioned stakeholder groups have been given the possibility to participate at the drafting process of this document.

The machinery/equipment concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations or hazardous events are covered, is indicated in the Scope of this document.

When requirements of this type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or -B standards, the requirements of this type-C standard take precedence over the requirements of the other standards, for machines that have been designed and built according to the requirements of this type-C standard.

This document assumes that the equipment is installed in a ventilated area and does not create any potentially explosive atmosphere. The installation of a TPE in accordance with the requirements of this document will not by itself require a change to the classification of the TPE location according to IEC 60079-10-1:2020.

Conformance with product standards, e.g. ISO 22967:2010 or ISO 22968:2010 is not sufficient to ensure the minimum safety requirements for industrial furnaces and associated processing equipment (TPE). This document always has priority for TPE.

Industrial furnaces and associated processing equipment (TPE) generally consist of the following components:

- processing chamber (e.g. steel construction with lining and/or refractory);
- heating systems;
- protective system;
- control and instrumentation system / operator-control level.

ISO 13577-1:2016 provides the general safety requirements common to TPE. This document details in addition specific safety requirements for combustion and fuel handling systems that are part of TPE as listed in the Scope.

The requirements for protective systems are specified in ISO 13577-4:2022.

The requirements for reducing hazards from noise are given in ISO 13577-1:2016.

It is assumed that TPE are operated and maintained by trained personnel.

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# Industrial furnaces and associated processing equipment — Safety —

## Part 2: Combustion and fuel handling systems

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the safety requirements for combustion and fuel handling systems that are part of industrial furnaces and associated processing equipment (TPE), including single and multiple burner systems in thermoprocessing equipment and machines.

**NOTE** The general safety requirements common to TPE are provided in ISO 13577-1:2016. ISO 13577-1:2016, Annex B also includes a list of processes for which industrial furnaces and heating systems covered by the ISO 13577 series are used.

This document deals with significant hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to combustion and fuel handling systems as listed in [Annex A](#), when used as intended and under the conditions for use as described in the instruction handbook.

This document covers:

- fuel pipework downstream of and including the manual isolating valve;
- combustion air supply (including oxygen and oxygen enriched combustion air) and flue gas system;
- burner(s), burner system and ignition device;
- functional requirements for safety related control system.

This document applies to any oxidation of gaseous and liquid fuels with air or other gases containing free oxygen to release thermal energy in TPE. [Annex B](#) includes examples of gaseous and liquid fuels.

For thermal or catalytic post combustion and waste incineration, this document applies only to auxiliary burners designed to start-up and/or support the process.

The pressure hazard of the piping and components covered by this document is within the maximum pressure/size relationship of category I as specified in [Annex C](#).

This document also gives the necessary requirements regarding information for use.

This document does not cover hazards from heating generated by electricity.

This document does not deal with the hazards created by the release of flammable substances from the products processed in the TPE.

This document is not applicable to combustion and fuel handling systems:

- of gas welding and allied processes;
- up-stream of the TPE manual isolating valve.

This document is not applicable to industrial furnaces and associated processing equipment (TPE), including single and multiple burner systems in thermoprocessing equipment and machines manufactured before the date of its publication.