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This first edition cancels and replaces ISO 6406:2005 and ISO 10461:2005, which have been technically revised. It also incorporates the Amendment ISO 10461:2005/Amd 1:2006.

The main changes are:

- a section has been added for symbols used in the document;
- a detailed account of steps to be taken if the actual cylinder wall thickness is less than the minimum design wall thickness has been added;
- a clearer way to ultrasonically test cylinders with a built-in footing, especially for seamless steel cylinders with a convex base, has been added;
- improved guidelines have been added for dealing with the effects of heating of seamless aluminium-alloy cylinders.

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Introduction

This document provides information and procedures for the periodic inspection and testing of seamless steel and seamless aluminium-alloy cylinders and the condition of the test equipment. The principal aim of periodic inspection and testing is that at the completion of the test the cylinders have been requalified and are suitable to be reintroduced into service for a further period of time.

This document requires that well-trained and competent personnel undertake the work as described in this document, who consult the cylinder's manufacturer if there are doubts about aspects of the document, so that the cylinder manufacturer's current recommendations are taken into account.

This document has been written so that it is suitable to be referenced in the UN *Model Regulations*^[23].