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tightness test under dynamic pressure —  
Cyclonic aspects**

*Blocs portes et fenêtres — Essai d'étanchéité à l'eau sous pression  
dynamique — Aspects cycloniques*



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## Foreword

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# Doorsets and windows — Water-tightness test under dynamic pressure — Cyclonic aspects

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a test method for determining the water-tightness under dynamic pressure of doorsets and windows, assembled for normal use and installed as in practice.

This International Standard is applicable to areas subject to severe weather, e.g. that are heavily weather-beaten, stricken by driving rain and wind, including typhoons, hurricanes, cyclones and other severe climate.

This International Standard does not apply to the joints between the door or window frame and the building construction.

## 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 1804, *Doors — Terminology*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1804 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **pressure differential**

differential air pressure between the external and internal faces of the test specimen

### 3.2

#### **dynamic pressure**

pressure differential which cyclically pulsates in approximate to a sine wave, applied to the external face of the test specimen

### 3.3

#### **upper limit value**

$P_{\max}$

upper limit value of dynamic pressure during the test

### 3.4

#### **median value**

$P$

median value of dynamic pressure during the test, required by product specification or agreed between the parties concerned

### 3.5

#### **lower limit value**

$P_{\min}$

lower limit value of dynamic pressure during the test

### 3.6

#### **water tightness**

ability of the closed test specimen to resist water penetration

### 3.7

#### **water penetration**

continuous or repeated wetting of the parts of the building and components that are not designed to be wetted

## 4 Principle

A specified amount of water is sprayed constantly across the external face of the test specimen under dynamic pressure. If water penetration is observed visually, the location where water penetration has occurred is recorded.

## 5 Test specimen

### 5.1 Test specimen

The test specimen shall be such that it is completely assembled for normal use and installed as in practice.

### 5.2 Glazing for test specimen

If the test specimen contains a glazed area, it shall be glazed in compliance with the requirements of the manufacturer. If no glass thickness is specified, the test shall be carried out with the minimum glass thickness specified by the manufacturer.

## 6 Test apparatus

### 6.1 General

The test apparatus shall be a mechanical device having the elements as designated in Figure 1.

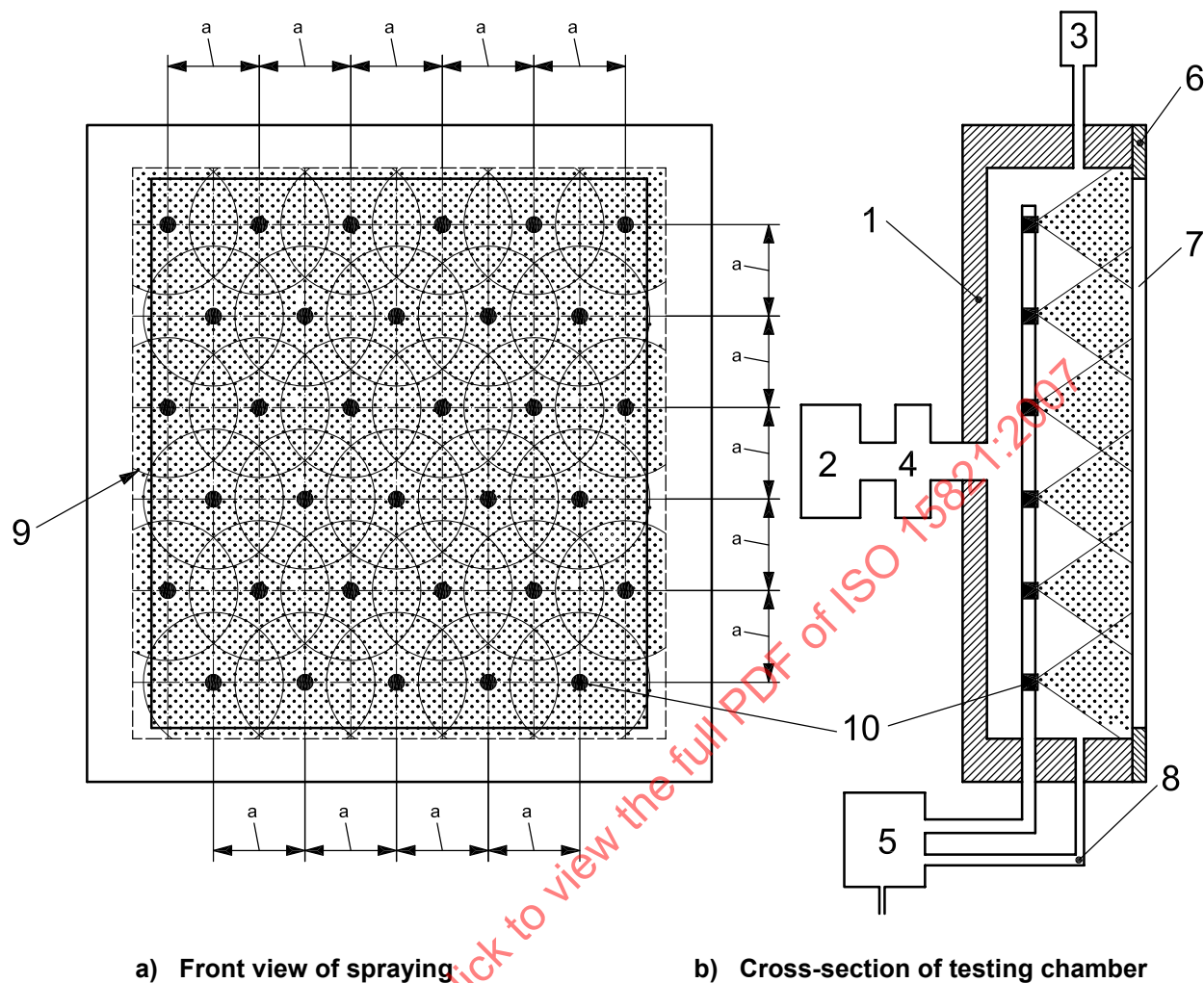
### 6.2 Pressure chamber

The pressure chamber shall be constructed to maintain the internal pressure at a certain level and to support the attaching rig, and shall be equipped with water spray nozzles.

The pressure chamber shall have an overflow drainage or water tank so that the specimen is not flooded by sprayed water.

### 6.3 Pressurizer

The pressurizer shall be able to apply controlled pressure to the weather-exposed face of the test specimen.

**Key**

- |  |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| 1 pressure chamber                           | 6 test-specimen attaching rig |
| 2 pressurizer                                | 7 test specimen               |
| 3 device for measuring pressure differential | 8 drain                       |
| 4 device for generating pressure             | 9 area sprayed by nozzle      |
| 5 device for spraying water                  | 10 water-spray nozzle         |

a The distance between nozzles in the same row and the distance between the rows of nozzles are equal.

**Figure 1 — Example of test apparatus**

#### 6.4 Device for measuring pressure differential

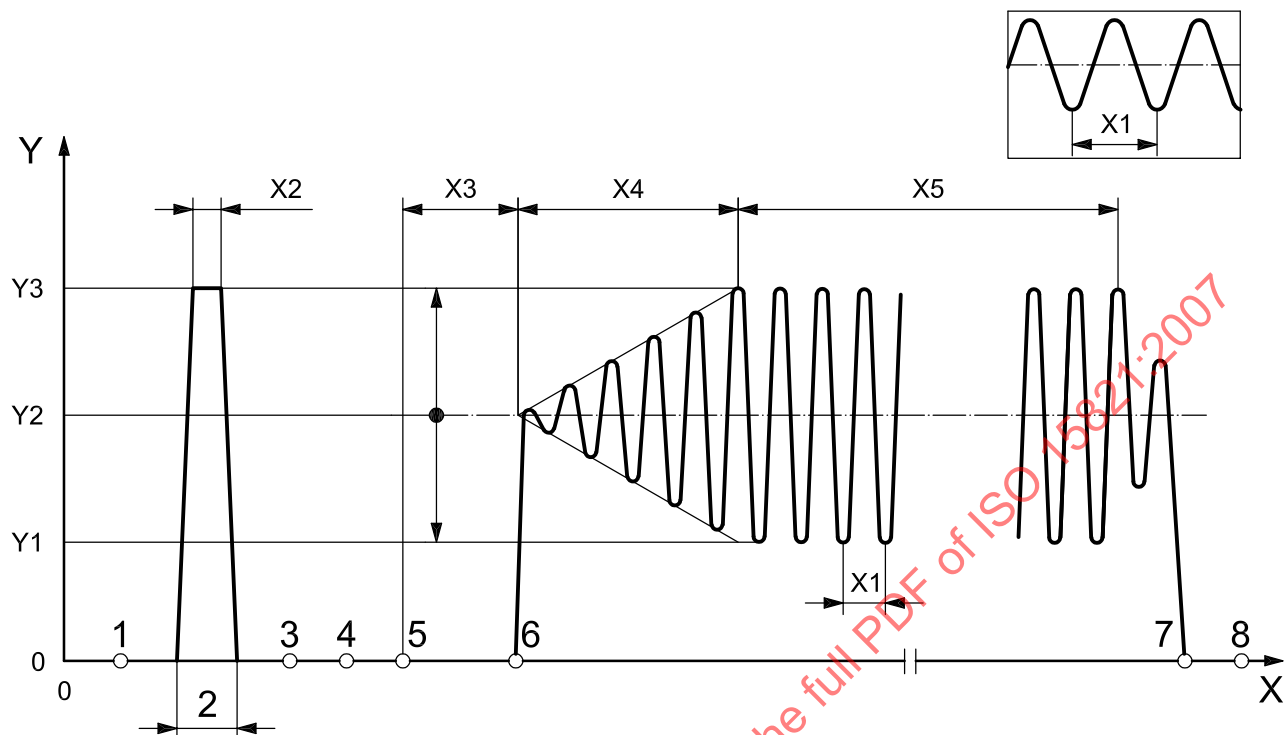
The device shall be able to measure the pressure differential, with  $\pm 3\%$  accuracy, between the external and internal faces of the test specimen.

#### 6.5 Device for generating dynamic pressure

The device shall be able to produce dynamic pressure, as shown in Figure 2 and Table 1. The dynamic pressure cycles at intervals of 2 s to 4 s, with a tolerance of  $\pm 0,2$  s to  $\pm 0,4$  s.

NOTE The selected interval cycle shall be kept unchanged during the test.

The permissible range of generating dynamic pressure shall be regulated within  $\pm 10$  Pa of a pressure below 200 Pa, and/or within  $\pm 5$  % of a pressure at 200 Pa and more, as shown in Figure 3.



# Key

X pressurization time

X1 2 s to 4 s

X2 1 min

X3  $\leq 30$  s

X4 increments

X5 10 min pressurization time

Y pressure differential, expressed in pascals

Y1 lower limit value,  $P_{\min}$

Y2 median value,  $P$

Y3 upper limit value,  $P_{\max}$

1 actuation

2 preparatory pressurization

3 observation start

4 water-spraying start

5 affirmation of required amount of water flow

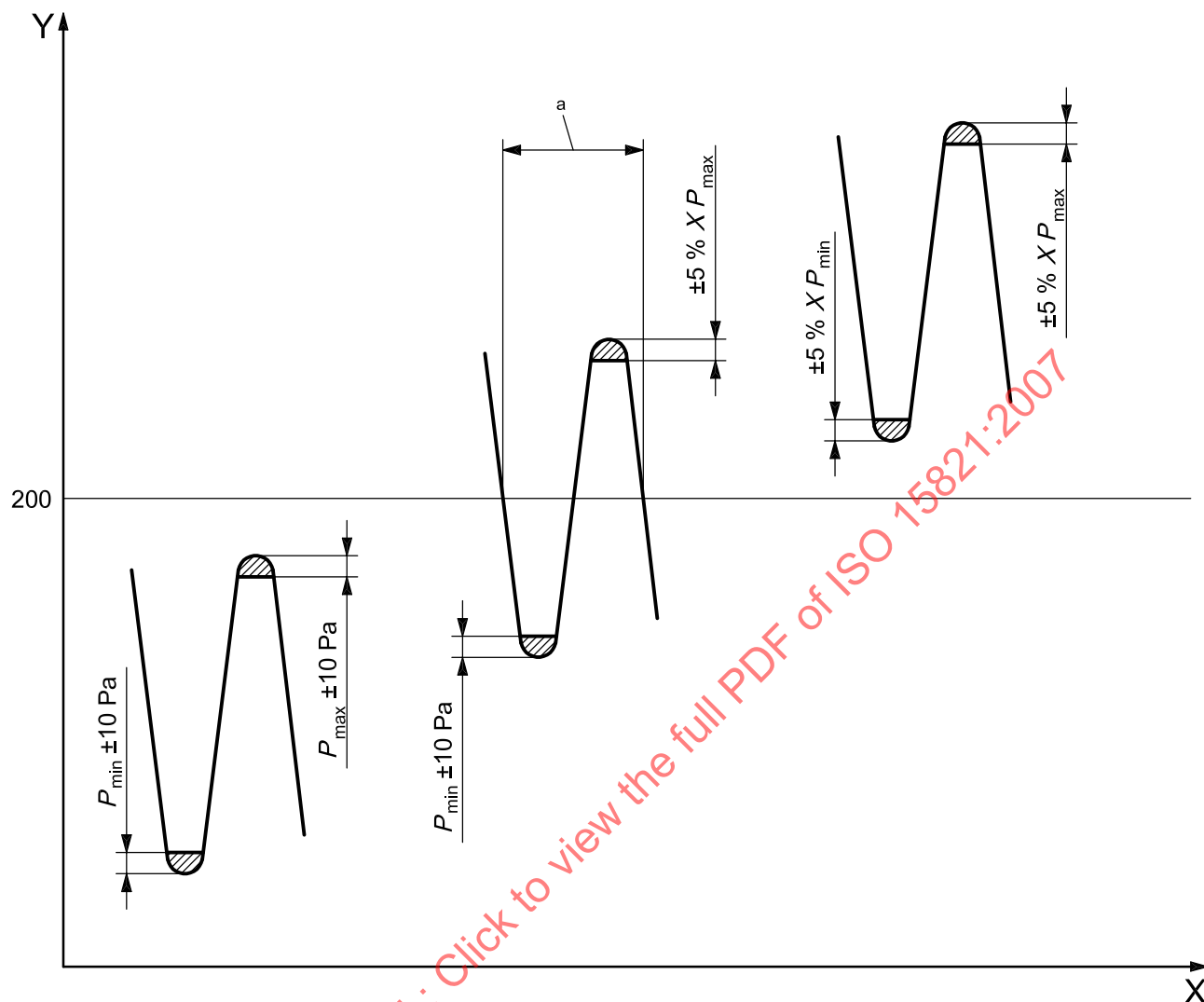
6 pressurization start

7 pressurization and observation end

8 water-spraying end

Figure 2 — Test procedure chart



**Key**

- X pressurization time  
 Y pressure differential, expressed in pascals

a 2 s to 4 s.

**Figure 3 — Permissible range of pressure differential applied to the specimen**

## 6.6 Device for spraying water

The device shall be able to spray the required amount of water across the weather-exposed face of the test specimen.

The flow meter is allowed a  $\pm 10\%$  accuracy.

## 6.7 Test specimen attaching rig

The test specimen attaching rig shall be of such a construction that it is possible to install the test specimen as in normal use and practice, it shall fit into the pressure chamber and shall withstand the pressures applied.

## 7 Test procedure

### 7.1 Installation of test specimen

The test specimen shall be fixed plumb, square, and without twists and bends. The test rig shall be firmly fixed to the pressure chamber. The test specimen shall be attached to the test rig so that no water leakage occurs between the frames of the test specimen and the test specimen attaching rig. However, a leakage between the attaching rig and the pressure chamber is permitted unless it prevents the observation.

### 7.2 Procedure

#### 7.2.1 General

The test shall be carried out in accordance with 7.2.2 through 7.2.6.

#### 7.2.2 Opening and closing actuation

Prior to the test, open and close the opening parts, if any, of the test specimen five times and secure in closed position.

#### 7.2.3 Preparatory pressure

Apply static pressure for 1 min to the internal face of the test specimen, at the upper limit value of the test.

#### 7.2.4 Water spraying

Spray water across the weather-exposed face of the test specimen. The amount of water shall not be less than  $3 \text{ l}\cdot\text{m}^2\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$  to  $4 \text{ l}\cdot\text{m}^2\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ . The water is sprayed continuously and evenly over the whole test area and runs down the surface of the specimen as a dispersed film of water.

#### 7.2.5 Dynamic pressure applied

Within 30 s after the water spraying reaches the required amount, apply dynamic pressure for 10 min to the weather-exposed face of the test specimen, as shown in Table 1, as the water is kept on spraying with the required amount.

The pressure accelerates up to the median value,  $P$ , in increments of almost 20 Pa/s, not necessarily in a pulsating sine wave.

**Table 1 — Pressure differential of the test**

Pressurization median value Pa	Dynamic pressure			
	Median value Pa	Upper limit Pa	Lower limit Pa	Cycle duration s
< 1 500	$P$	$P \times 1,5$	$P \times 0,5$	2 to 4
> 1 500	$P$	$P + 750$	$P - 750$	
NOTE See Annex A (informative).				

#### 7.2.6 Observation

Observe visually the internal face of the test specimen and note any location where water penetration has occurred, if any.

## 8 Expression of results

The test result shall be recorded with the following items:

- a) pressure differential (as the median value,  $P$ );
- b) location of water penetration;
- c) other items deemed relevant to the test results.

## 9 Test report

The test report shall contain the following information:

- a) designation, type, detailed drawings and dimension of the test specimen;
- b) thickness, type of glass and glazing method;
- c) test results, specifying the dynamic pressure interval cycle and the amount of spraying water applied during the test;
- d) names of testing organization and of person in charge and date of the test;
- e) other items deemed relevant to the test results.