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Foreword

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Introduction

A given open-circuit umbilical supplied compressed gas diving apparatus can only be approved when the apparatus or apparatus sub-assemblies satisfy the requirements of the tests specified in this European Standard, and practical performance tests have been carried out successfully on complete apparatus where specified in this European Standard.

The production of this European Standard has identified varying methods of surface supply and has separated them into two parts; equipment that supplies demand type facepieces and equipment that supplies free flow type facepieces.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies minimum requirements for demand surface supplied and demand surface oriented diving apparatus to ensure a minimum level of safe operation of the apparatus. It applies to the following:

- depths between 0 m and 50 m for apparatus using air, oxygen or oxygen in nitrogen mixtures;
- depths between 0 m and 60 m for apparatus using oxygen, oxygen and helium or oxygen, nitrogen and helium gas mixtures;
- water temperatures between 4 °C and 34 °C or outside these temperatures as specified by the manufacturer.

The requirements of this European Standard are intended to take account of the interaction between the wearer, the apparatus, and where possible the environment in which the apparatus is likely to be used.

This European Standard does not cover saturation diving systems, mini bell systems or apparatus used for oxygen decompression only.

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.

EN 132:1998, Respiratory protective devices — Definitions of terms and pictograms

EN 134:1998, Respiratory protective devices — Nomenclature of components

EN 144-1, Respiratory protective devices - Gas cylinder valves — Part 1: Thread connections for insert connector

EN 144-3, Respiratory protective devices — Gas cylinder valves — Part 3: Outlet connections for diving gases Nitrox and oxygen

EN 397, Industrial safety helmets

EN 812 Industrial bump caps

EN 12021, Respiratory protective devices — Compressed air for breathing apparatus

EN 14593-1:2005, Respiratory protective devices — Compressed air line breathing apparatus with demand valve — Part 1: Apparatus with a full face mask — Requirements, testing marking

EN ISO 12209-1, Gas cylinders - Outlet connections for gas cylinder valves for compressed breathable air - Part 1: Yoke type connections (ISO 12209-1:2000)

EN ISO 12209-2, Gas cylinders - Outlet connections for gas cylinder valves for compressed breathable air - Part 2: Threaded connections (ISO 12209-2:2000)

EN ISO 12209-3, Gas cylinders - Outlet connections for gas cylinder valves for compressed breathable air - Part 3: Adaptor for 230 bar valves (ISO 12209-3:2000)

EN 61508-1, Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems - Part 1: General requirements (IEC 61508-1:1998 + Corrigendum 1999)