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Part 13: RPD using regenerated breathable gas and special application mining escape RPD: Consolidated test for gas concentration, temperature, humidity, work of breathing, breathing resistance, elastance and duration

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## Foreword

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ISO 16900 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Respiratory protective devices — Methods of test and test equipment*:

- *Part 1: Determination of inward leakage*
- *Part 2: Determination of breathing resistance*
- *Part 3: Determination of particle filter penetration*
- *Part 4: Determination of gas filter capacity and migration, desorption and carbon monoxide dynamic testing*
- *Part 5: Breathing machine, metabolic simulator, RPD headforms and torso, tools and verification tools*
- *Part 6: Mechanical resistance/strength of components and connections*
- *Part 7: Practical performance tests methods*
- *Part 8: Measurement of RPD air flow rates of assisted filtering RPD*
- *Part 9: Determination of carbon dioxide content of the inhaled air*
- *Part 10: Resistance to ignition, flame, radiant heat and heat*
- *Part 11: Determination of field of vision*
- *Part 12: Determination of volume-averaged work of breathing and peak respiratory pressures*
- *Part 13: RPD using regenerated breathable gas and special application mining escape RPD: Consolidated test for gas concentration, temperature, humidity, work of breathing, breathing resistance, elastance and duration*

— *Part 14: Measurement of sound level*

## Introduction

This part of ISO 16900 is intended as a supplement to the respiratory protective devices (RPD) performance standards. Test methods are specified for complete devices or parts of devices that are intended to comply with the performance standards.

The following definitions apply in understanding how to implement an ISO International Standard and other normative ISO deliverables (TS, PAS, IWA):

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## Part 13:

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## 1 Scope

This part of ISO 16900 specifies tests which are specific to RPDs using regenerated breathable gas, compressed breathable gas with class L respiratory interfaces, and special application mining escape RPD.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 16900-12, *Respiratory protective devices — Methods of test and test equipment — Part 12: Determination of volume-averaged work of breathing and peak respiratory pressures*

ISO 16972, *Respiratory protective devices — Terms, definitions, graphical symbols and units of measurement*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 16972 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **class Sxxxx RPD**

supplied breathable gas RPD, where Sxxxx equals the amount of breathable gas available for respiration in litres

### 3.2

#### **body temperature pressure saturated BTPS**

standard condition for the expression of ventilation parameters

Note 1 to entry: Body temperature (37 °C), atmospheric pressure 101,3 kPa (760 mmHg), and water vapour pressure (6,27 kPa) in saturated air.

### 3.3

#### **standard temperature pressure dry STPD**

standard conditions for expression of oxygen consumption

Note 1 to entry: Standard temperature (0 °C) and pressure (101,3 kPa, 760 mmHg), dry air (0 % relative humidity).