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# Plastics piping systems — Fittings, valves and ancillaries — Determination of gaseous flow rate/pressure drop relationships

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## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determining the flow rate/pressure drop relationship of components for plastics piping systems when tested using air at 25 mbar.

NOTE 1 bar =  $10^5$  N/m<sup>2</sup>.

## 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.

EN 837-1, *Pressure gauges — Part 1: Bourdon tube pressure gauges — Dimensions, metrology, requirements and testing*

## 3 Principle

Utilizing a constant main pressure, the flow rate through a piping component is varied between specific limits to assess the pressure drop. The average value of the air flow rate for a pressure drop appropriate to the size of the component is then determined. The value for other gases can be calculated on the basis of density differences.

NOTE It is assumed that the following test parameters are set by the standard making reference to this International Standard:

- a) the relevant value(s) for pressure drop,  $\Delta p_n$  (see [7.2](#));
- b) the relevant value to be used for  $\rho_{\text{air}}$  and the relevant temperature and pressure if not as given in [7.3](#);
- c) the relevant value to be used for  $\rho_{\text{gas}}$  and the relevant temperature and pressure if not as given in [7.3](#).

## 4 Apparatus

**4.1** Schematic test arrangement for determination of flow rate/pressure drop relationship is shown in [Figure 1](#).

**4.2** A source of air.