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This document (EN 303-5:2021+A1:2022) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 57 “Central heating boilers”, the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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In comparison with EN 303-5:2012, the following technical changes have been made:

- the scope was extended to condensing boilers with a heat output of  $\leq 500$  kW;
- the scope was extended to boilers with outside combustion air supply at a heat output of  $\leq 100$  kW;
- requirements for materials, weld joints and wall thicknesses have been revised and adapted to condensing and room sealed operations;
- general and electrical safety requirements have been revised and adapted to condensing and room sealed applications;
- tests were revised and new tests for condensing boilers, outside combustion air supply, secondary emission reduction systems and safety requirements were added;
- Annexes were re-structured;
- Consideration was given to the essential requirements of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC and REGULATION (EU) 2015/1189 (Eco-design) and COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2015/1187 (Energy labelling).

The following structure is intended for the European Standards for heating boilers:

- EN 303-1, *Heating boilers – Part 1: Heating boilers with forced draught burners – Terminology, general requirements, testing and marking*;
- EN 303-2, *Heating boilers – Part 2: Heating boilers with forced draught burners – Special requirements for boilers with atomizing oil burners*;



- EN 303-3, *Heating boilers – Part 3: Gas-fired central heating boilers – Assembly comprising a boiler body and a forced draught burner;*
- EN 303-4, *Heating boilers – Part 4: Heating boilers with forced draught burners – Special requirements for boilers with forced draught oil burners with outputs up to 70 kW and a maximum operating pressure of 3 bar – Terminology, special requirements, testing and marking;*
- EN 303-5, *Heating boilers – Part 5: Heating boilers for solid fuels, manually and automatically stoked, nominal heat output of up to 500 kW – Terminology, requirements, testing and marking;*
- EN 303-6, *Heating boilers – Part 6: Heating boilers with forced draught burners – Specific requirements for the domestic hot water operation of combination boilers with atomizing oil burners of nominal heat input not exceeding 70 kW;*
- EN 303-7, *Heating boilers – Part 7: Gas-fired central heating boilers equipped with a forced draught burner of nominal heat output not exceeding 1 000 kW;*
- EN 304, *Heating boilers – Test code for heating boilers for atomizing oil burners.*

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## **Introduction**

This document is a type-C standard as stated in EN ISO 12100:2010.

The machinery concerned, and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations and hazardous events are covered, are indicated in the scope of this document.

This document does deal with boilers which are within the Scope Machinery Directive and boilers that are outside of the Scope Machinery Directive.

The manufacturer is responsible for identifying all additional hazards outside of the scope of this document.

When provisions of this type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or -B standards, the provisions of this type-C standard take precedence over the provisions of the other standards, for machines that have been designed and built according to the provisions of this type-C standard.

# 1 Scope

## 1.1 General

This document applies to heating boilers including safety devices up to a nominal heat output of 500 kW which are designed for the burning of solid fuels only and are operated according to the instructions supplied with the boiler and misuse reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer.

This document applies also for solid fuel boilers taking the combustion air from outside the building and room sealed appliances.

This document does deal with significant hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to heating boilers used as intended and under the conditions specified in the technical documentation of the boiler (see Clause 4).

The boilers may operate under natural draught or forced draught. The fuel feed may work manually or automatically. The boilers may operate in non-condensing operation or condensing operation.

NOTE 1 This document does deal with boilers which are within the scope of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC or outside of the scope of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC (manual stoked natural draught boiler).

NOTE 2 There is a risk of freezing condensate in the condensate drainage at low temperatures.

This document contains requirements and test methods for safety, combustion performance, operating characteristics, marking and maintenance of heating boilers. It also covers all external equipment that influences the safety systems (e.g. back burning safety device, integral fuel hopper).

This document covers only boilers that include burners as a unit. The document applies to the combination of a boiler body with a solid fuel burner according to EN 15270:2007 as a unit only when the whole unit is tested in accordance with this document.

Heating boilers in accordance with this document are designed for central heating installations where the heat carrier is water and the maximum allowable temperature is 110 °C, and which can operate at a maximum allowable operating pressure of 6 bars. For heating boilers with a built-in or attached water heater (storage or continuous flow heater), this document only applies to those parts of the water heater which are necessarily subject to the operating conditions of the heating boiler (heating part).

This document does not apply to:

- heating boilers and other heating appliances which are also designed for the direct heating of the place of installation, also according to the European regulation 2015/1185/EU;
- cooking appliances;
- the design and construction of external fuel storage and transportation devices prior to the safety devices of the boiler;
- manual stoked straw bale boilers;
- CHP appliances (combined heat and power).

This document specifies the necessary terminology for solid fuel heating boilers, the control and safety related requirements, the design requirements, the technical heating requirements (considering the environmental requirements) and testing, as well as the marking requirements.

This document is not applicable to heating boilers which are tested before the date of its publication as an EN (European Standard).

For evaluation of the requirements of this document test results of former versions of the standard may be used if applicable.

NOTE 3 This document can be used as a reference for boilers > 500 kW for safety evaluation.

This document does deal with all significant machine hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to solid fuel boilers, when they are used as intended and under conditions of misuse which are reasonably foreseeable, except noise hazards.

NOTE 4 The document contains requirements regarding noise but not in its full extent to cover the Essential Health and Safety Requirements (EHSR, Annex I of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC).

## 1.2 Fuels

These boilers may burn either fossil fuels, biogenic fuels or other fuels such as peat, as specified for their use in the technical documentation, in accordance with the requirements of this document.

Solid fuels included in this document are categorized as follows.

### Biogenic fuels

Biomass in a natural state, in the form of:

- **log wood** with moisture content  $\leq M25$ , according to EN ISO 17225-5:2014;
- **chipped wood  $\leq M35$**  with moisture content from M15 to M35, according to EN ISO 17225-4:2014;
- **chipped wood  $> M35$**  with moisture content exceeding M35, according to EN ISO 17225-4:2014;
- **wood pellets** according to EN ISO 17225-2:2014;
- **wood briquettes** according to EN ISO 17225-3:2014;
- **sawdust** with moisture content  $\leq M20$ ;
- **sawdust** with moisture content M20 to M50;
- **sawdust** with moisture content  $\leq M20$  is dangerous against back burning;
- **non-woody biomass**, such as straw, miscanthus, reeds, kernels and grains according to EN ISO 17225-6:2014.

### Fossil fuels

- **a** bituminous coal;
- **b** brown coal;
- **c** coke;
- **d** anthracite.

### Other solid fuels

- Other solid fuels such as peat or processed fuels according to EN ISO 17225-1:2014.