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EN 3-8:2006 (E)**Foreword**

This document (EN 3-8:2006) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 70 "Manual means of fire fighting equipment", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by June 2007, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by June 2007.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive 97/23/EC.

For relationship with EU Directive 97/23/EC, see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

This document is included in a series of European Standards planned to cover:

- a) classification of fires (EN 2)
- b) mobile fire extinguishers (EN 1866)

EN 3 consists of the following parts, under the general title "*Portable fire extinguishers*"

- *Part 1¹⁾: Description, duration of operation, class A and B fire test*
- *Part 2¹⁾: Tightness, dielectric test, tamping test, special provisions*
- *Part 3: Construction, resistance to pressure, mechanical tests*
- *Part 4¹⁾: Charges, minimum required fire*
- *Part 5¹⁾: Specification and supplementary tests*
- *Part 6: Provisions for the attestation of conformity of portable fire extinguishers in accordance with EN 3 part 1 to part 5*
- *Part 7: Characteristics, performance requirements and test methods*
- *Part 8²⁾: Additional requirements to EN 3-7 for the construction, resistance to pressure and mechanical tests for extinguishers with a maximum allowable pressure equal to or lower than 30 bar*
- *Part 9²⁾: Additional requirements to EN 3-7 for pressure resistance of CO₂ extinguishers*
- *Part 10³⁾: Provisions for evaluating the conformity of a portable fire extinguisher to EN 3 part 7*

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¹⁾ Withdrawn and replaced by EN 3-7.

²⁾ EN 3-8 and 3-9 update and amend EN 3-3. On publication of these EN 3-3 will be withdrawn.

³⁾ In preparation. EN 3-10 updates and amends EN 3-6. On publication of EN 3-10 EN 3-6 will be withdrawn.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the rules of design, type testing, fabrication and inspection control of portable fire extinguishers manufactured with metallic bodies as far as pressure risk is concerned.

This part applies to portable fire extinguishers of which the maximum allowable pressure PS is lower than or equal to 30 bar and containing non-explosive, non-flammable, non-toxic and non-oxidising fluids.

This European Standard also applies to the metallic gas cartridge of a volume less than 0,12 l (see Annex E) and gives guidance for sound engineering practice for metallic gas cartridges equal to or greater than 0,12 l and less than 0,5 l, see Annex F.

This European Standard does not apply to carbon dioxide fire extinguishers.

NOTE Annex A gives the classification of the different parts forming the portable fire extinguisher.

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 3-7:2004, *Portable fire extinguishers — Part 7: Characteristics, performance requirements and test methods*

EN 287-1:2004, *Qualification test of welders — Fusion welding — Part 1: Steels*

EN 1320:1996, *Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials — Fracture test*

EN 1418:1997, *Welding personnel — Approval testing of welding operators for fusion welding and resistance weld setters for fully mechanized and automatic welding of metallic materials*

EN 10204:2004⁴⁾, *Metallic products — Types of inspection documents*

EN 13133:2000, *Brazing — Brazer approval*

EN 13134:2000, *Brazing — Procedure approval*

EN ISO 4892-2:1999, *Plastics — Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 2: Xenon-arc lamps (ISO 4892-2:2006)*

EN ISO 9606-2:2004, *Qualification test of welders — Fusion welding — Part 2: Aluminium and aluminium alloys (ISO 9606-2:2004)*

EN ISO 15614-1:2004, *Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials — Welding procedure test — Part 1: Arc and gas welding of steels and arc welding of nickel and nickel alloys (ISO 15614-1:2004)*

EN ISO 15614-2:2005, *Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials — Welding procedure test - Part 2: Arc welding of aluminium and its alloys (ISO 15614-2:2005)*

EN ISO 15614-12:2004, *Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials — Welding procedure test — Part 12: Spot, seam and projection welding (ISO 15614-12:2004)*

⁴⁾ This standard is also applicable to non-metallic products (see EN 10204:2004, 1.2).

EN 3-8:2006 (E)**3 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 3-7:2004 and the following apply.

NOTE A scheme illustrating the different pressures is given in Annex B.

3.1 maximum pressure at maximum operating temperature, $P(T_{\max})$ (pressure experimentally measured)

pressure measured in the extinguisher after stabilisation during at least 24 h at maximum operating temperature (T_{\max}) and for cartridge operated extinguishers, the maximum pressure is the maximum pressure recorded for 0,5 s during a period of three minutes, excluding the first second after release of the propellant gas

3.2 maximum allowable pressure, PS (maximum declared pressure)

maximum pressure for which the equipment is designed, as specified by the manufacturer and which is in any case greater than or equal to $P(T_{\max})$

NOTE The value of PS for components should be equal to or greater than the value of PS for the extinguisher assembly.

3.3 bursting pressure P_r

maximum pressure measured during a bursting test

3.4 portable fire extinguisher assembly

assembly of parts to comprise the pressure retaining part of a fire extinguisher which can include a body, operating device, filling cap, closure and may include a propellant gas cartridge, hose and other components under pressure, if fitted.

3.5 maximum operating temperature

T_{\max}
maximum operating temperature declared by the manufacturer equal to or less than TS_{\max}

3.6 minimum operating temperature

T_{\min}
minimum operating temperature declared by the manufacturer equal to or higher than TS_{\min}

3.7 propellant gas cartridge

refillable or non-refillable pressure receptacle made of metal containing a propellant gas with a capacity less than 0,5 l

NOTE In the ADR these are classified as cylinders (definition 1.2).

3.8 fittings
pressure accessories which include operating devices, filling caps and hose assemblies

4 Symbols and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following symbols and abbreviations apply.

PS Maximum allowable pressure in bar

PT Test pressure in bar

P_r	Bursting pressure in bar
D	Nominal external diameter of the body, or the largest external value of the perpendicular section to the axis, in mm
DN	Diameter in mm for circular products submitted to pressure or the diameter in mm of the equivalent flow section for non circular parts
D_B	Diameter of the mandrel used during the crushing test in mm
$P(T_{\max})$	Pressure at maximum operating temperature, in bar
T_{\max}	Maximum operating temperature declared by the manufacturer, in °C
T_{\min}	Minimum operating temperature declared by the manufacturer, in °C
S	Minimum wall thickness in mm
TS_{\min}	Minimum allowable temperature in °C
TS_{\max}	Maximum allowable temperature in °C

5 Materials

5.1 Materials for bodies

An inspection certificate based on specific inspection in accordance with EN 10204 is required.

5.2 Materials for the bodies of operating devices and filling caps

The body material (metallic or plastics) of any operating device and filling cap shall be compatible with other products and shall have an appropriate certificate such as EN 10204:2004 test report 2.2.

5.3 Materials for other components

The materials used for other parts of extinguishers shall be suitable for the intended use and be compatible with the materials used for the pressure parts.

In the case of plastic materials, components shall comply with the requirements of Annex D.

6 Experimental design method and prototype testing

6.1 General

The minimum allowable temperature range declared of the body TS_{\min} to TS_{\max} shall be -30 °C to $+60\text{ °C}$. A wider temperature range may be declared by the manufacturer. Where this is the case, the temperatures and pressures used in this European Standard shall be amended to reflect this new temperature range.