
**Aerospace series — Tube fittings for
fluid systems, 5 080 psi (35 000 kPa)
— Qualification specification**

*Série aérospatiale — Raccordements de tubes pour les systèmes
fluides, 5 080 psi (35 000 kPa) — Spécification de qualification*

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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard establishes the basic performance for 5 080 psi (35 000 kPa) tube fitting assemblies used in aerospace fluid systems.

The test requirements are intended to satisfy the most strenuous demands encountered in a high-performance aircraft hydraulic system.

International Standards use the International System of units (SI); however, large segments of the aerospace industry make use of other measurement systems as a matter of common working practice.

All dimensions and units used in this International Standard are given in SI units, with other units also indicated for the convenience of the user.

The decimal sign used in International Standards is the comma (","); however, the comma is not used in common working practice with non-SI dimensions. Therefore, in common with many other aerospace standards, the decimal point (".") is used in this International Standard when providing dimensions in inch-pound units.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies performance and quality requirements for the qualification and manufacture of standard tube fittings to ensure reliable performance in aircraft hydraulic 5 080 psi (35 000 kPa) systems.

This International Standard specifies baseline criteria for the design and manufacture of system fittings that are qualification tested on engines.

This International Standard covers fittings from size -04 to -20 used for the following:

- separable/permanent pipe end fittings;
- permanent connection fittings;
- separable connection fittings.

This International Standard covers fittings of the temperature types and pressure classes specified in ISO 6771.

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 2685, *Aircraft — Environmental test procedure for airborne equipment — Resistance to fire in designated fire zones*

ISO 6772, *Aerospace — Fluid systems — Impulse testing of hydraulic hose, tubing and fitting assemblies*

ISO 6773, *Aerospace — Fluid systems — Thermal shock testing of piping and fittings*

ISO 7137, *Aircraft — Environmental conditions and test procedures for airborne equipment*

ISO 7257, *Aircraft — Hydraulic tubing joints and fittings — Rotary flexure test*

ISO 10583:1993, *Aerospace fluid systems — Test methods for tube/fitting assemblies*

EUROCAE ED-14E/RTCA DO-160E, Section 22, *Lightning Induced transient Susceptibility*

3 Requirements

3.1 Qualification

Fittings claiming conformity with this International Standard shall be representative of products, which have successfully met the requirements and have passed the tests in this International Standard.

3.1.1 Manufacturer qualification

Manufacturer approval shall be granted by purchaser qualification procedure.

Outside agency procedure can be used if no specific procedure exists (see [Annex A, Table A.3, Procedure 1](#)).

3.1.2 Product qualification

Product approval shall be granted by purchaser qualification procedure.

Outside agency procedure can be used if no specific procedure exists (see [Annex A, Table A.3, Procedure 1](#)).

3.2 Materials

3.2.1 Fittings

Fitting parts shall be manufactured from materials as given in [Table 1](#) or equivalent passing the specified tests. The various materials shall be used according to the pressure and temperature requirements of the system, as shown in [Table 2](#).

Table 1 — Materials for fittings

Material	Type ^a	Material code	Starting stock
Titanium alloy	I, II, III	T	Bar, forgings, or rings
Corrosion-resistant steel	I, II, III, IV	V	Bar, forgings, or rings
Other	To be defined	To be defined	To be defined

^a Temperature types and system pressure classes are defined in ISO 6771.

Magnesium and magnesium alloy shall not be used.

3.2.2 Tubing

Table 2 — Materials for tubing

Material	Material code	Starting stock
Titanium alloy	T	Hollows
Corrosion-resistant steel	V	Hollows
Other	To be defined	To be defined

3.2.3 Testfluid

Unless otherwise specified, fluid for testing shall be used in accordance with [Annex A, Table A.1](#).

3.3 Environmental conditions

3.3.1 Pressures

Table 3 — Pressure test requirements, 35 000 kPa (5 080 psi) fittings

Dimensions in SI-metric (and imperial) units

Fitting and tube size ^a	Design operating pressure (DOP)		Proof pressure (2 × DOP)		Burst pressure (3 × DOP)	
	kPa	(psi)	kPa	(psi)	kPa	(psi)
	04	35 000	(5 080)	70 000	(10 160)	105 000
06						
08						
10						
12						
16						
20						

^a Dash size in 1/16 in, example: 08 = 8/16 in diameter.

3.3.2 Temperature

3.3.2.1 Ambient Air: -54 °C to +135 °C

3.3.2.2 Hydraulic Fluid: -54 °C to +135 °C

3.4 Design and manufacture

3.4.1 Fluid passages

On fittings where the fluid passage is drilled from each end, the offset between the drilled holes at the meeting point shall not exceed 0,25 mm (0.10 in). It shall be possible to pass through the fitting passage a ball whose diameter is 0,37 mm (0.015 in) less than the minimum diameter specified for the passage.

Angular misalignment shall not exceed 1° for straight fittings and 2° for shaped fittings.

3.5 Performance

The tubing/fitting assembly shall be capable of meeting the performance requirements specified in [3.5.1](#) to [3.5.21](#).

3.5.1 Specimen preparation

Test specimens shall be assembled as specified in [Table 11](#). Sleeve installations on the tube end shall be in accordance with user instructions.

The fitting shall be assembled to tightening torques given by purchaser procurement specification, using the maximum installing torque for half of the test specimens and the minimum torque for the other half.

3.5.1.1 Lubricants

Hydraulic system fittings shall be assembled using system fluid as lubricant on the union thread and sleeve shoulder only. No lubricant on the sealing surfaces (especially during pneumatic leakage testing) is allowed.

3.5.1.2 Qualification inspection

Test assemblies shall consist of the parts specified in [3.5.1](#). Tests shall be conducted in accordance with [Table 11](#) and with ISO 10583 for each size and material for which qualification is required.

Fittings claiming conformity with this specification shall be considered qualified if they are manufactured to the same dimensions, using the same materials and processes as products that have successfully met the requirements and have passed the tests in this specification.

3.5.2 Proof pressure

When testing in accordance with ISO 10583:1993, 5.1, the test assembly shall withstand the proof pressure specified in [Table 3](#) without leakage, evidence of permanent deformation, or other malfunction that might affect the ability to disconnect or connect the joint in the normal manner (to the interface point by hand and then using the specified range of torque values).

Specimens to be proof tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.3 Gaseous pressure

When tested in accordance with ISO 10583:1993, 5.2, assemblies shall pass the gaseous pressure test to the DOP specified in [Table 3](#) without leakage or other failure.

Specimens to be gaseous pressure tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.4 Hydraulic impulse resistance

Six specimens shall be tested with the following distribution:

- 2 non aged specimens;
- 2 fuel aged specimens as per [3.5.16](#);
- 2 hydraulic fluid aged specimens as per [3.5.17](#).

When tested in accordance with ISO 6772 and ISO 10583:1993, 5.3, the test assembly shall withstand, without leakage, 300 000 impulse pressure cycles with pressure peaks specified and temperatures in [Table 4](#).

Table 4 — Peak pressure and temperature

Peak pressure % of nominal pressure	Peak pressure kPa (psi)	Maximum ambient temperature	Minimum ambient tem- perature
150	52 500 (7 620)	+94 °C (+201 °F)	-40 °C (-40 °F)

After hydraulic impulse test, three specimens (1 non aged, 1 fuel aged, and 1 hydraulic fluid aged) shall be tested at nominal torque and pass the pressure tests as per [3.5.3](#) and [3.5.15](#).

For margin evaluation, testing is to be continued on the other three specimens at +110 °C (+230 °F) up to failure or completion 450 000 cycles.

Specimens which passed these additional cycles shall pass to minimum burst pressure test as per [3.5.5](#).

Specimens to be impulse tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.5 Ultimate pressure

When tested as follows, the test assemblies shall be pressurized to the burst pressure specified in [Table 3](#) and held at that pressure for 3 min after stabilization of the pressure. The pressure shall then be increased at a rate of 137 894 kPa/min \pm 34 474 kPa/min (20 000 psi/min \pm 5 000 psi/min) until failure occurs. No burst, slippage, leakage, or other failure shall occur at a pressure below 4 \times DOP.

Seven specimens shall be tested to failure with the following distribution:

- Two non aged specimens shall be tested at +94 °C (+201 °F).
- Two aged specimens after salt spray as per [3.5.11](#) at +94 °C (+201 °F).
- Three specimens from hydraulic impulse resistant ([3.5.3](#)) at room temperature.

Specimens to be ultimate pressure tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.6 Flexure fatigue resistance

When tested in accordance with ISO 7257 and ISO 10583:1993, 5.5, test assemblies shall not fail.

Eight specimens with straight unions shall be tested. Two specimens shall withstand 10^7 flexure cycles with a bending stress level defined in [Table 5](#). The other specimens shall be used to produce a S-N curve as described in ISO 7257.

Table 5 — Test requirements for testing on titanium pipes

Fitting size	DOP		Dynamic bending stress for titanium tubes ^a	
	kPa	(psi)	+0 %/-10 % kPa	(psi)
04	35 000	(5 080)	137 900	(20 000)
06			131 000	(19 000)
08			124 100	(18 000)
10			117 200	(17 000)
12			110 300	(16 000)
16			103 400	(15 000)
20			96 500	(14 000)

^a Bending stresses for other tube materials shall be calculated with the same deflection.

Specimens to be fatigue flexure tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.7 Re-use capability

Two specimens shall be tested (only end fittings and separable fittings shall be tested).

When tested in accordance with ISO 10583:1993, 5.7.2, there shall be none of the following defects:

- leakage during any of the proof pressure tests, when tested in accordance with [3.5.2](#);
- inability to assemble the fitting to the interface point by hand;
- nut deformation preventing engagement of the nut hexagon with an open-end wrench;
- gaseous leakage following final assembly, when tested in accordance with [3.5.3](#).

Specimens to be re-use tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.8 Tensile load capability

Unless otherwise specified in the purchaser procurement specification, when tested in accordance with ISO 10583:1993, 5.8, assemblies shall withstand, without pressure, the axial loads specified in [Table 6](#) without rupture.

Table 6 — Minimum tensile strength

Fitting size ^a	Tube outside diameter		Tensile strength	
	Mm	(in)	N	(lbs)
04	6,35	(0.250)	4 895	(1 100)
06	9,53	(0.375)	12 460	(2 244)
08	12,7	(0.500)	20 915	(4 700)
10	15,88	(0.625)	35 155	(7 900)
12	19,05	(0.750)	52 955	(11 900)
16	25,4	(1.000)	74 537	(16 750)
20	31,75	(1.250)	112 000	(25 169)

^a Dash size in 1/16 in, example: 08 = 8/16 inch diameter.

Specimens to be tensile tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.9 Thermal shock

Test procedure and acceptance criteria are described in ISO 6773. Two specimens shall be tested.

Temperatures used shall be:

- High temperature: +94 °C (+201 °F)
- Low temperature: -40 °C (-40 °F)

Specimens to be thermal shock tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.10 Over-tightening

Two specimens shall be tested (only end fittings and separable fittings shall be tested).

When tightened with 1,5 times the nominal tightening torque specified in [Table A.4](#) or 1,5 times the maximum torque tightening as defined by the purchaser, there shall be none of the following defects:

- leakage during proof pressure test (see [3.5.2](#));
- leakage during gaseous pressure test (see [3.5.3](#)).

Specimens to be over tightening tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.11 Electrical conductivity

The aim of this test is to measure the electrical conductivity before and after the salt spray test (see [3.5.12](#)).

Specimens shall be assembled with the minimum torque values specified in [Table A.4](#).

Two specimens shall be tested.

A resistance of 10 mΩ maximum is permissible between two tubes connected to the fitting.

Each measurement shall be carried out twice for each test sample in order to confirm the value.

Milli-Ohmeter with 4-measurement test points can be used with a direct current of 1 A minimum with measurement accuracy of 1 %.

Specimens to be electrical conductivity tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.12 Salt spray

Unless otherwise specified, a salt spray test according to ISO 7137, test procedure 1.9, shall be performed with two specimens of each size for a minimum of 56 days.

ISO 7137 procedure: the exposure to the salt fog for a period of 48 hours and then the storage in an ambient temperature for 48 hours for drying, should be repeated in order to reach a minimum of 56 days.

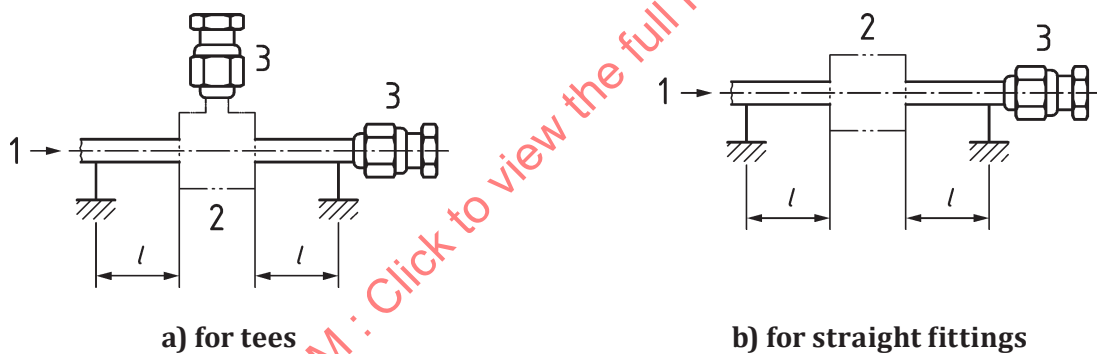
These specimens shall be subjected to electrical conductivity test and minimum burst pressure test as per [3.5.11](#) and [3.5.5](#).

Specimens to be salt spray tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.13 Vibration

3.5.13.1 Test assembly configuration

Test assemblies shall be installed on a test fixture as illustrated in [Figure 1](#) and [Table 7](#).



Key

- 1 pressure inlet
- 2 fitting
- 3 plug

Figure 1 — Vibration test setup

Table 7 — Lengths of tubes

Fitting size	Length, <i>L</i>	
	mm	(in)
04	180	(7.1)
06	220	(8.7)
08	250	(9.8)
10	280	(11)
12	310	(12.2)
16	355	(14)
20	400	(15.7)

The test assemblies shall be filled with hydraulic fluid and pressurized to nominal operating pressure.

After exposure to the vibration test, the equipment shall be inspected and shall show no evidence of structural failure of the tube or fitting. The presence of a detectable crack constitutes a vibration test failure. There shall be no leakage of hydraulic fluid.

3.5.13.2 Standard vibration test

Up to six assemblies will be tested in accordance with the RTCA/DO-160E, section 8 with a vibration level depending on the aircraft area concerned, category R and H curves.

Table 8 — Standard area/Curves requirements

Aircraft area	RTCA/DO-160E, Section 8 Curves	Number of assemblies
Wing and wheel well	E, E1 and P (Noted series S1)	2
Nacelle and pylon	D, D1 and P (Noted series S2)	2
Landing gear, engine, and gearbox	P and W (Noted series S3)	2

The test procedure used shall be “Robust vibration test procedure-fixed-wing aircraft”.

The size sample/aircraft area distribution shall be provided by purchaser procurement specification.

3.5.13.2.1 Test reduction for standard test procedure

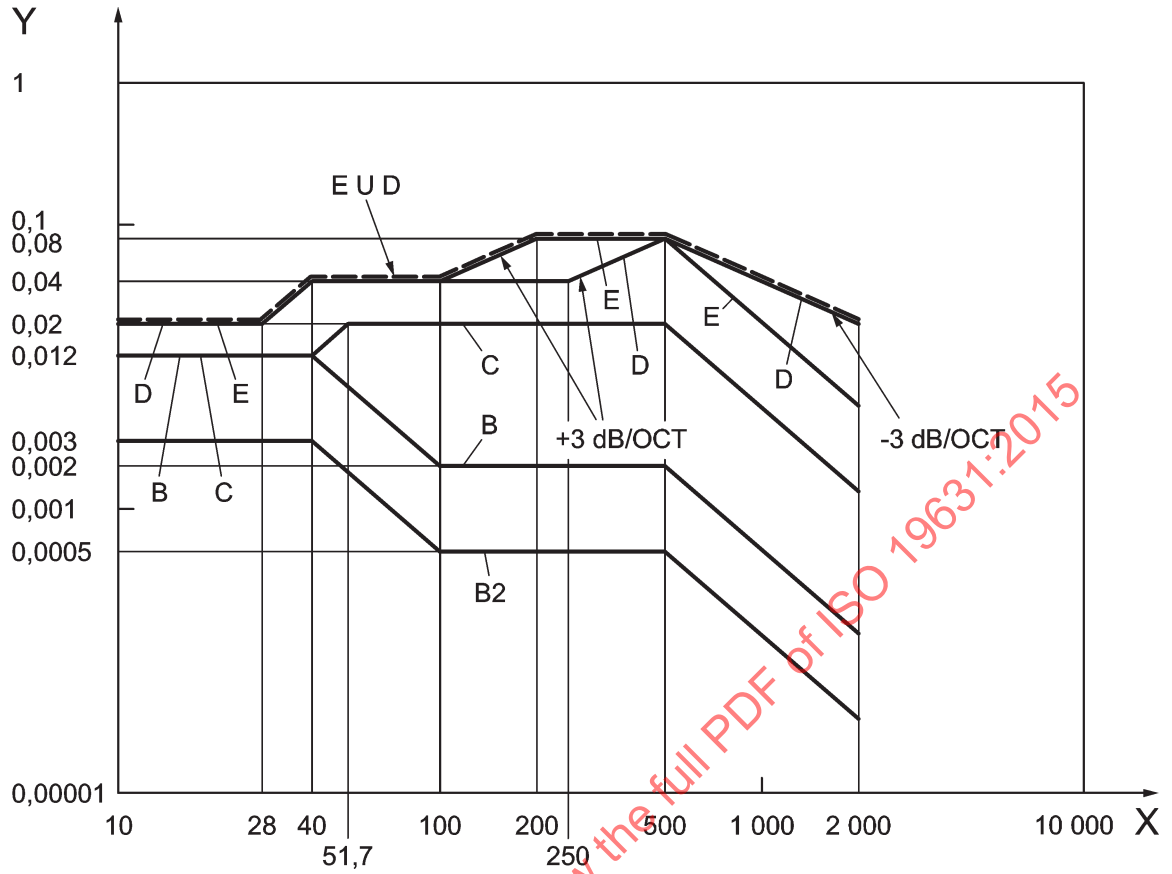
A test reduction can be achieved by running tests according to the following series/aircraft areas.

Table 9 — Reduction — Standard area/Curves requirements

Aircraft area	RTCA/DO-160E, Section 8 Curves	Number of assemblies
Wing, wheel well, nacelle, and pylon	(E U D), (E1 U D1), and P (Noted series S4 = S1 & S2)	2
Wing, wheel well, nacelle, pylon, landing gear, engine, and gearbox	(E U D), (E1 U D1), P, and W (Noted series S5 = S1 & S2 & S3)	2

Where (E U D) and (E1 U D1) are defined in [Figures 2](#) and [3](#), size sample/aircraft area distribution shall be provided by purchaser procurement specification.

NOTE [Figures 2](#) and [3](#) are explanatory only, for accurate values, refer to RTCA DO 160E.

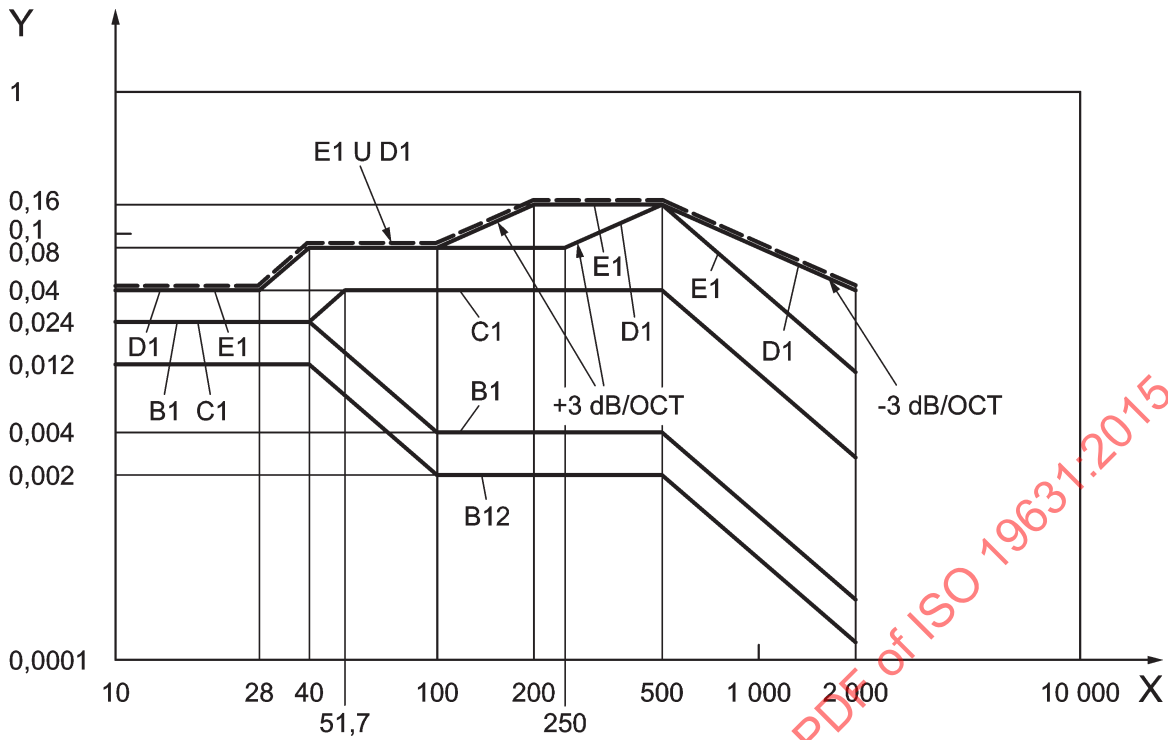


Key

X frequency (Hz)

Y acceleration power spectral density (g^2/Hz)

Figure 2 — Curve E U D



Key

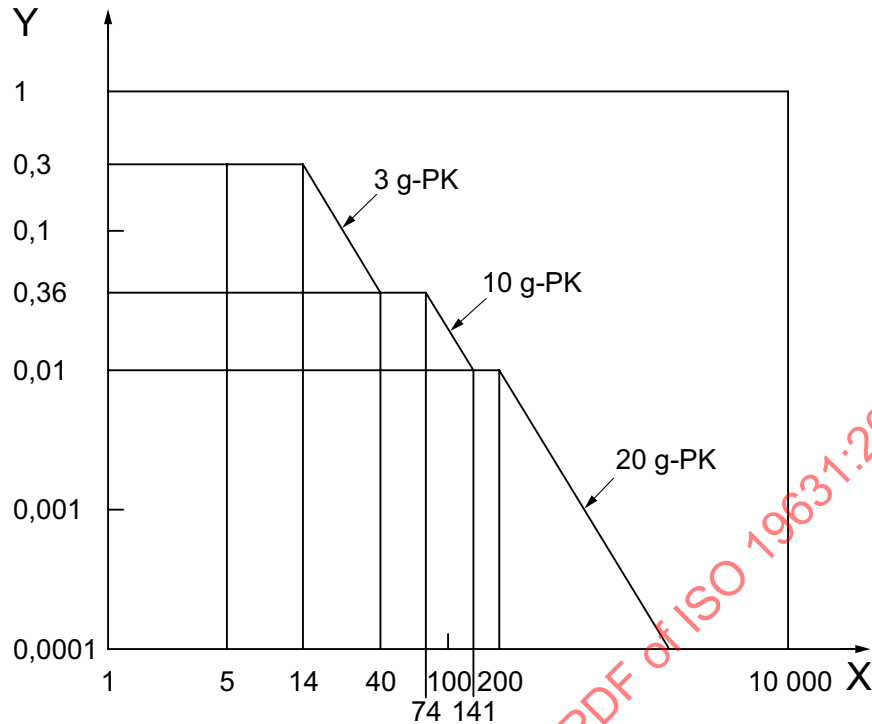
- X frequency (Hz)
- Y acceleration power spectral density (g^2/Hz)

Figure 3 — Curve E1 U D1

3.5.13.3 Alternative vibration test

Test assemblies shall be vibration tested as specified in RTCA/DO-160E, section 8, categories R and H for fixed-wing aircraft, using the robust sinusoidal test procedure except as follows.

- a) Performance testing is not applicable.
- b) Two test assemblies of each size shall be tested using modified curve W, as specified in [Figure 4](#), and curve P, as defined in RTCA/DO-160E.
- c) If the test assemblies are axisymmetric, testing needs to be performed in only 1 axis perpendicular to the tube centreline.

**Key**

X frequency (Hz)

Y double amplitude (peak-to-peak) (inches)

Figure 4 — Curve W — Type 1**3.5.13.4 Windmilling**

If required, windmilling justifications shall meet requirements specified in purchaser procurement specification.

3.5.14 Fire test

The test method is specified in ISO 2685.

Three specimens shall be tested at the DOP without flow rate or at critical operational conditions.

The critical operational conditions shall be provided by purchaser procurement specification in terms of

- pressure (psi),
- flow rate (l/min), and
- duration: fire resistant (5 min) or fire proof (15 min).

The entire fitting connection plus a length of tubing shall be subjected to flame.

Specimens to be fire tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.15 System pressure test

Two specimens shall be pressurized with hydraulic fluid to 345 kPa to 414 kPa (50 psi to 60 psi) for 24 hours, then to nominal pressure for additional 24 hours. Assemblies shall be checked at the beginning, during, and after the test by wiping suspect areas with a finger, using white gloves.

This test shall be performed after hydraulic impulse resistant (3.5.4), flexure fatigue resistance (3.5.6), and vibration test (3.5.13)

Specimens to be system pressure tested are given in Table 11.

3.5.16 Fuel ageing

Two specimens shall be fuel aged before impulse test.

Specimens shall be filled with test fluid and pressurized to nominal pressure and, while maintaining this pressure at room temperature, the specimens shall be immersed in the fluid specified in Table 10 for 8 h to 10 h, then allowed to air dry for 1 h. Then the specimens will be aged at -54 °C (-65,2 °F) in air for 8 h to 10 h.

This sequence of fluid immersion and low temperature exposure shall be repeated 20 times.

Fuel shall be used according to Annex A, Table A.2.

Fluids used shall be according to Table 10:

Table 10 — Fluids for fuel ageing

Sequence	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Fluid used	F	F	F	W	F	F	F	W	F	F	F	W	F	F	F	W	F	F	F	W
F: fuel																				
W: water																				

Specimens to be fuel ageing tested are given in Table 11.

3.5.17 Hydraulic fluid ageing

Two specimens shall be hydraulic fluid aged before impulse test.

Specimens shall be filled with test fluid and pressurized to nominal pressure and, while maintaining this pressure at room temperature, the specimens shall be immersed in hydraulic test fluid as specified in Table A.1 for 8 min to 10 min, then allowed to air dry for 1 h. Then, the specimens will be aged at 135 °C (275 °F) in air for 8 h to 10 h.

This sequence of hydraulic fluid soaking and high temperature exposure shall be repeated 10 times.

NOTE During high temperature exposure, pressure inside specimens shall not be greater than nominal pressure.

Specimens to be hydraulic fluid ageing tested are given in Table 11.

3.5.18 Tube twisting

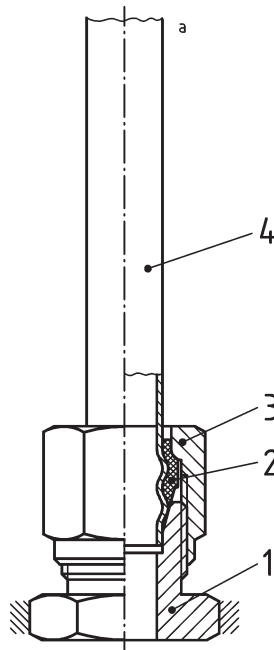
Two specimens shall be tested (only end fittings and separable fittings shall be tested).

A fitting, with threaded separable end, (item 1) shall be held vertically into a vise or any other equivalent mean as illustrated in Figure 5.

Drive the sleeve (2) into the cone. Tighten the nut by hand up to contact, holding the tube (4) with the other hand. Note the tube angular position by any suitable mean. Tighten the nut (3) with a torque wrench using maximum torque value specified in purchaser procurement specification, tube end free. Record the tube twisting value. Loosen the nut by one turn without disconnecting. Tighten again the nut by hand up to contact. Record the tube orientation. Tighten again to maximum specified torque and record the tube twisting value.

Second tube twisting angle shall not be higher than 2 degrees.

Test report will provide recorded values at first and second step.



Key

- 1 fitting with threaded separable end
- 2 sleeve
- 3 nut
- 4 tube
- a Measure torque at the union end of the tube with a tell-tale dial.

Figure 5 — Tube twisting

Specimens to be tube twisting tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.19 Fitting/tube rotation torque

Two specimens shall be tested (only end fittings and separable fittings shall be tested).

Separable connections shall be double tightened as follows:

- Tighten the nut to the tightening torque specified in purchaser procurement specification.
- Loosen by one turn the nut without disconnecting.
- Tighten the nut to the tightening torque specified in purchaser procurement specification.

Torque applied to the tube shall be applied at a maximal distance from the fitting of 254 mm (10 in) (See [Figure 6](#)).

First step:

- Apply 1,5 times the specified torque to the tube in a counter-clockwise direction. No tube rotation or nut loosening is allowed.

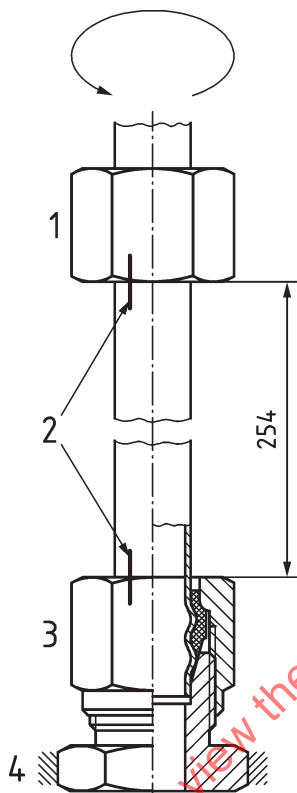
Second step:

- Apply a clockwise torque to the tube until the tube fails. This failure torque shall not be lower than 1,5 times the specified torque.

Tube rotation in the fitting or fitting rotation is considered as a failure.

Test report will provide ultimate recorded values.

Dimensions in millimetres



Key

- 1 torque application area
- 2 mark
- 3 nut
- 4 vise holding

Figure 6 — Rotation torque

Specimens to be fitting/tube rotation torque tested are given in [Table 11](#).

3.5.20 Stress corrosion

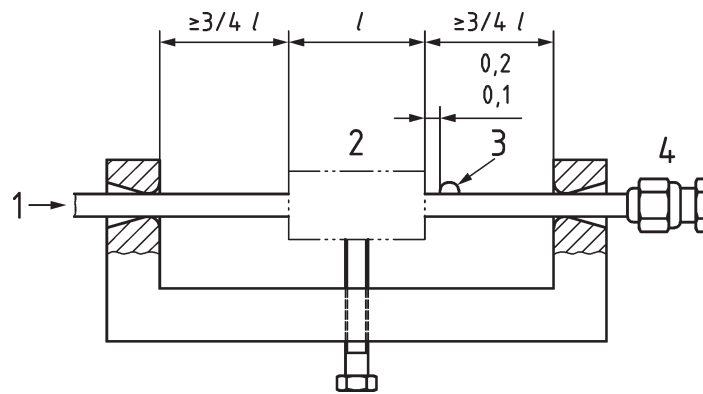
Two specimens shall be tested as per ISO 10583:1993, 5.6.

Test samples shall be installed in a test apparatus as shown in [Figure 7](#).

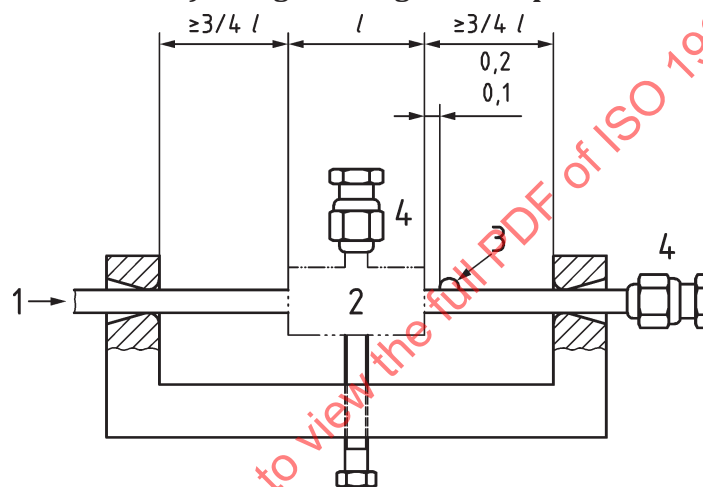
Test assemblies shall be representative of the adverse tolerances giving the maximum stress on the fitting.

Specimens to be stress corrosion tested are given in [Table 11](#).

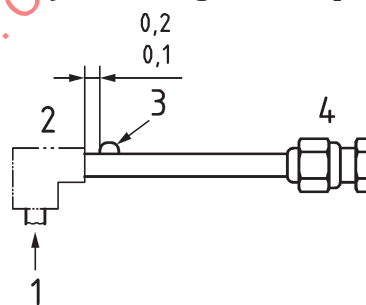
Dimensions in millimetres



a) Straight fitting test setup



b) Tee fitting test setup



c) Elbow fitting test setup

Key

- 1 pressure inlet
- 2 fitting
- 3 strain gauge
- 4 plug

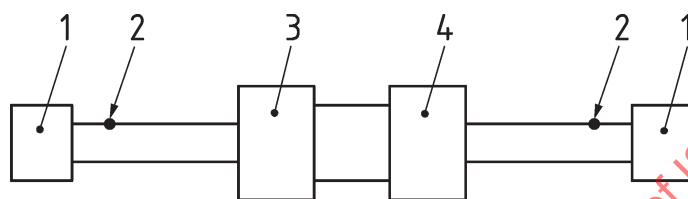
Figure 7 — Stress corrosion test setup

3.5.21 Lightning strike

NOTE This requirement pertains to commercial jet aircraft of composite construction.

The torqued fitting assemblies as described in [Figure 8](#) shall be tested as follows:

- a) Torque the fittings to the values shown in purchaser procurement specification.
- b) Gaseous pressure test in accordance with [3.5.3](#). There shall be no leakage.
- c) Lightning strike 12X, 6 at polarity A, 6 at polarity B, in accordance with EUROCAE ED-14E/RTCA DO-160E, Section 22 Current Waveform 1 with a peak of 7 500 A, instantaneously followed by a 32 A DC pulse for 0,25 s.
- d) Proof pressure test accordance with [\(3.5.2\)](#). There shall be no leakage.



Key

- 1 end fitting
- 2 electrical contact
- 3 swaged fitting, wired-on nut
- 4 swaged fitting, union end

Figure 8 — Lightning strike test specimen, tube fitting assembly

Specimens to be lightning strike tested are given in [Table 11](#).