

Non-alloy steel tubes suitable for welding and threading — Technical delivery conditions

The European Standard EN 10255:2004, incorporating amendment A1:2007, has the status of a British Standard

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National foreword

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EN 10255 is a candidate “harmonized” European Standard and fully takes into account the requirements of the European Commission mandate M131 “Steel tubes and fittings”, given under the EU Construction Products Directive (89/106/EEC), and intended to lead to CE marking. The date of applicability of EN 10255 as a harmonized European Standard, i.e. the date after which this standard may be used for CE marking purposes, is subject to an announcement in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*. Although CE marking is not currently mandatory in the UK, it is considered as industry best practice and this is reflected in Regulation 7 of the UK Building Regulations.

The European Commission in consultation with Member States have agreed a transition period for the coexistence of harmonized European Standards and their corresponding national standard(s). It is intended that this period will comprise a period, usually nine months, after the date of availability of the European Standard, during which any required changes to national regulations are to be made, followed by a further period, usually of 12 months, for the implementation of CE marking. At the end of this coexistence period, the national standard(s) will be withdrawn.

EN 10255 is the subject of transitional arrangements agreed under the Commission mandate. In the UK, the corresponding national standard was:

— BS 1387:1985, *Specification for screwed and socketed steel tubes and tubulars and for plain end steel tubes suitable for welding or for screwing to BS 21 pipe threads*;

which was withdrawn in June 2006.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee ISE/8, Steel pipes.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

This publication does not purport to include all the necessary provisions of a contract. Users are responsible for its correct application. In particular attention is drawn to the different levels of attestation specified for CE marked products in Annex ZA (Table ZA.2.1) depending on whether the product will be used for the conveyance of water or gas/fuel.

Compliance with this Standard does not automatically imply a presumption that the product is suitable for the transport of water intended for human consumption, within the meaning of European Directive 89/106/EEC (also known as the Construction Products Directive). Until the proposed European Acceptance Scheme for construction products in contact with water intended for human consumption (or an alternative programme put forward by the European Commission to revise European Commission Mandate M136) is in place, and this standard revised to reflect this, products in accordance with this Standard may be used in applications involving the transport of water for human consumption if they conform to the relevant national, regional or local regulatory provisions applicable in the place of use. In the UK, products and processes need to be approved by the Drinking Water Inspectorate (DWI). This involves obtaining approvals under regulation 31 for both the coating and the coating applicator. For more details please refer to <http://www.dwi.gov.uk/cpp/index.shtm>.

Compliance with a British Standard cannot confer immunity from legal obligations.

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