

Plastics piping systems for buried and above-ground pressure systems for water for general purposes, drainage and sewerage — Polyethylene (PE) —

Part 4: Valves

The European Standard EN 13244-4:2002 has the status of a
British Standard

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National foreword

This British Standard is the official English language version of EN 13244-4:2002. No existing British Standard will be superseded by implementation of this part of this European Standard.

NOTE 1 Collectively, EN 13244-1, EN 13244-2 and EN 13244-5 supersede:
— BS 6437:1984, *Specification for polyethylene pipes (type 50) in metric diameters for general purposes*;
which will be declared obsolescent by December 2004.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted by Technical Committee PRI/88 (previously PRI/61), Plastics piping systems, to Subcommittee PRI/88/2 (previously PRI/61/2), Plastics piping systems for pressure applications, which has the responsibility to:

- aid enquirers to understand the text;
- present to the responsible international/European committee any enquiries on the interpretation, or proposals for change, and keep the UK interests informed;
- monitor related international and European developments and promulgate them in the UK.

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

NOTE 2 It was decided not to proceed with the publication of prEN 13244-6, *Recommended practice for installation* and that existing national practices would be applicable. In the UK, in the absence of a British Standard covering installation, it is the opinion of Technical Committee PRI/88, Plastics piping systems, that reference to the *Polyethylene Pipe Systems Manual*¹⁾, a joint publication of WRc and BPF Plastic Pipes Group represents established UK practice.

NOTE 3 Part 7 has been prepared as a CEN/TS, to allow further development. CEN/TS 13244-7 is not mandatory under the Public Procurement Directive.

Attention is drawn to the following statutory regulations:
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and subsequent regulations.

Attention is also drawn to any appropriate safety precautions. It is assumed in the drafting of a standard that the execution of its provisions is entrusted to appropriately qualified people.

¹⁾ WRc/BPF PLASTIC PIPES GROUP. *Polyethylene Pipe Systems Manual*. Swindon: WRc, 2002.

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