

# **Plastics piping systems — Glass-reinforced thermosetting plastics (GRP) pipes — Test method for the effects of cyclic internal pressure**

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# National foreword

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- monitor related international and European developments and promulgate them in the UK.

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This European Standard is also incorporated into BS 2782 *Methods of testing plastics: Part 12 Reinforced plastics pipes, fittings and valves*, as Method 1223D : 1997, for association with related test methods for plastics materials and plastics piping systems.

It is also for use for the revision or amendment of other national standards as practicable, but it should not be presumed to apply to any existing standard or specification which contains or makes reference to a different test method until that standard/specification has been amended or revised to make reference to this method and any requirements adjusted as appropriate.

## Cross-references

The British Standards which implement international or European publications referred to in this document may be found in the BSI Standards Catalogue under the section entitled 'International Standards Correspondence Index', or by using the 'Find' facility of the BSI Standards Electronic Catalogue.

NOTE 1. In 8.6 of this standard, reference is made to 'method A of EN 1394', and hence that reference and the corresponding reference in clause 2 should be regarded as dated references to the 1996 edition of EN 1394.

NOTE 2. A concurrent draft for a similar purpose to EN 1394 was ISO/DIS 8521, which is not technically equivalent.

**Warning note.** This British Standard, which is identical with EN 1638 : 1997, does not necessarily detail all the precautions necessary to meet the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974. Attention should be paid to any appropriate safety precautions and the method should be operated only by trained personnel.

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