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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13256-1:1998), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

— Significant updates to the formatting, symbols, and terms and definitions, have been included to more closely align with other pertinent ISO standards and the latest ISO requirements.

— The original water loop heat pump (WLHP), ground water heat pump (GWHP) and ground loop heat pump (GLHP) application rating designations, specifying entering liquid source rating test conditions, have been replaced with High, Medium, and Low source temperature range conditions to represent a wider operating map at both standard and partially loaded application rating conditions. It is now possible, when all three (High, Medium and Low) temperature ranges are specified by the manufacturer for energy modelling programs to interpolate performance at other entering water temperatures than those used in the standard.

— Specific antifreeze solution composition requirements have been removed to eliminate prescriptive language and promote industry innovation of novel and improved antifreeze solutions.

— Airflow testing requirements have been updated to align with the complexities of testing more sophisticated constant airflow electronically commutated fan motors.

— Testing tolerances and uncertainties have been harmonized with other pertinent ISO standards.

— Annexes have been added and/or significantly updated that harmonize with other pertinent ISO standards.

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Introduction

This document covers heating and cooling systems which are generally referred to as “water-source heat pumps.” These systems generally include an indoor coil with air-moving means, a compressor, and a refrigerant-to-water or refrigerant-to-brine heat exchanger. A system may provide both heating and cooling, cooling-only, or heating-only functions.

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Water-source heat pumps — Testing and rating for performance —

Part 1: Water-to-air and brine-to-air heat pumps

1 Scope

1.1 This document establishes performance testing and rating criteria for factory-made residential, commercial and industrial, electrically-driven, mechanical- compression type, water-to-air and brine-to-air heat pumps. The requirements for testing and rating contained in this document are based on the use of matched assemblies.

1.2 Equipment designed for rating at one liquid temperature range under this document may not be suitable at all liquid temperature ranges covered in this document.

1.3 This document does not apply to the testing and rating of individual assemblies for separate use, nor to the testing and rating of heat pumps covered in ISO 5151, ISO 13253 or ISO 13256-2.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 817, *Refrigerants — Designation and safety classification*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
water-to-air heat pump
brine-to-air heat pump
heat pump which consists of one or more factory-made assemblies which normally include an indoor conditioning coil with air-moving means, compressor(s), and refrigerant-to-water or refrigerant-to-brine heat exchanger(s), including means to provide both cooling and heating, cooling-only, or heating-only functions

Note 1 to entry: When such equipment is provided in more than one assembly, the separated assemblies should be designed to be used together.

Note 2 to entry: Such equipment may also provide functions of sanitary water heating, air cleaning, dehumidifying, and humidifying.

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3.2
water-loop heat pump
water-to-air heat pump using liquid circulating in a common piping loop functioning as a heat source in `heating mode and/or heat sink in cooling mode

Note 1 to entry: The temperature of the liquid loop is usually within a range of 10 °C to 30 °C.

3.3
ground-water heat pump
water-to-air heat pump using water pumped from a well, lake, or stream functioning as a heat source in heating mode and/or heat sink in cooling mode

Note 1 to entry: The temperature of the water is related to the climatic conditions and is generally constant within the range from 5 °C to 25 °C for deep wells.

3.4
ground-loop heat pump
brine-to-air heat pump using a brine solution circulating through a subsurface piping loop functioning as a heat source in heating mode and/or heat sink in cooling mode

Note 1 to entry: The heat exchange loop may be placed in horizontal trenches or vertical bores, or be submerged in a body of surface water.

Note 2 to entry: The temperature of the brine is related to the heat exchange load and climatic conditions and is generally within a range from –5 °C to 40 °C.

3.5
total cooling capacity
amount of sensible and latent heat that the equipment can remove from the conditioned space in a defined interval of time

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.6
net total cooling capacity
total cooling capacity with fan power adjustment

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.7
heating capacity
amount of heat that the equipment can add to the conditioned space in a defined interval of time

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.8
net heating capacity
heating capacity with fan power adjustment

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.9
rated voltage
voltage shown on the nameplate of the equipment

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of volts.

3.10
rated frequency
frequency shown on the nameplate of the equipment

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of Hz.

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3.11
energy efficiency ratio
EER
ratio of the net total cooling capacity to the effective power input at any given set of rating conditions

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watt per watt.

3.12
coefficient of performance
COP
ratio of the net heating capacity to the effective power input of the equipment at any given set of rating conditions

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watt per watt.

3.13
standard air
dry air at 20,0 °C and at a standard barometric pressure of 101,325 kPa, having a mass density of 1,204 kg/m^3

3.14
effective power input
average electrical power input to the equipment within a defined interval of time; i.e. the sum of:

— the power input for operation of the compressor excluding additional electrical heating devices,

— the power input of all control and safety devices of the equipment, and

— the proportional power input of the conveying devices for the transport of the heat transfer media through the heat pump only (e.g. fans, pumps, whether internal or external, whether provided with the equipment or not)

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.15
latent cooling capacity
amount of latent heat that the equipment can remove from the conditioned space in a defined interval of time

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.16
sensible cooling capacity
amount of sensible heat that the equipment can remove from the conditioned space in a defined interval of time

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of watts.

3.17
brine
heat transfer liquid that has a freezing point lower than the freezing point of water

3.18
external static pressure difference
Δ_{pe}
pressure difference measured between the air (or water/brine) outlet section and the air (or water/brine) inlet section of the unit, which is available for overcoming the pressure drop of any additional ducted air (or water/brine) circuit

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of pascals.

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3.19
internal static pressure difference
Δ_{pi}
pressure difference measured between the air (or water/brine) outlet section and the air (or water/brine) inlet section of the unit, which corresponds to the total pressure drop of all components on the air (or water/brine) side of the unit.

Note 1 to entry: Expressed in units of pascals.

3.20
fixed capacity heat pump
equipment which does not have possibility to change its capacity

Note 1 to entry: This definition applies to each cooling and heating operation individually.

3.21
two-stage capacity heat pump
equipment where the capacity is varied by two steps

Note 1 to entry: This definition applies to each cooling and heating operation individually.

3.22
multi-stage capacity heat pump
equipment where the capacity is varied by three or four steps

Note 1 to entry: This definition applies to each cooling and heating operation individually.

3.23
variable capacity heat pump
equipment where the capacity is varied by five or more steps to represent continuously variable capacity

Note 1 to entry: This definition applies to each cooling and heating operation individually.

3.24
standard rating conditions
operating conditions while establishing the standard rating net cooling and/or heating capacities

Note 1 to entry: These conditions correspond to an operation of the heat pump at full capacity, in relation to the source side.

3.25
application rating conditions
operating conditions while establishing additional cooling and/or heating capacities

Note 1 to entry: These conditions correspond to an operation of the heat pump at reduced capacity, in relation to the source side.

3.26
standard rating capacity
net cooling and/or heating capacity measured at standard rating conditions

4 Symbols

Symbol	Description and Units
A_n	nozzle area, m^2
α	pressure ratio
C_d	nozzle discharge coefficient
c_{pa1}	specific heat of dry air entering indoor side, J/kg·K

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