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**Thermoplastics pipes — Resistance  
to liquid chemicals — Classification —**

**Part 2:  
Polyolefin pipes**

*Tubes en matières thermoplastiques — Résistance aux liquides  
chimiques — Classification —*

*Partie 2: Tubes en polyoléfines*

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Together with the other parts (see below), this part of ISO 4433 cancels and replaces ISO 4433:1984, which has been technically revised.

ISO 4433 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Thermoplastics pipes — Resistance to chemical fluids — Classification*:

- *Part 1: Immersion test method*
- *Part 2: Polyolefin pipes*
- *Part 3: Unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-U), high-impact poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-HI) and chlorinated poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-C) pipes*
- *Part 4: Poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF) pipes*

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## Introduction

This part of ISO 4433 gives a system for preliminary classification of the chemical resistance of polyolefin pipes.

The method is based on the change in mass and changes in tensile properties resulting from immersion of test pieces, taken from the walls of polyolefin pipes, in the liquid to be conveyed, in the absence of pressure.

If the pipes are to be used under stress, for example for conveying liquids under pressure, the method only allows incompatibilities between the liquid and the material to be detected; a “satisfactory” or “limited” result needs to be confirmed by subsequent tests using ISO 8584-1<sup>[1]</sup> (see annex A).

### NOTES

- 1 If pertinent to the proposed application, consideration should be given to whether particular liquids permeate the pipe wall.
- 2 The possibility of a build-up of electrostatic charge in pipes during use should also be considered.