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**ISO 7396-3:2025(en)****Introduction**

Proportioning units are components of a supply system intended to supply synthetic medical air to a medical gas pipeline distribution system complying with ISO 7396-1.

ISO 7396-1 requires that a supply system consists of at least three sources of supply which can typically be, in addition to a proportioning unit, cylinder manifolds with associated pressure regulators.

The selection of the components to be associated to a proportioning unit within the supply system, included the reservoir, is therefore the responsibility of the manufacturer of the pipeline system.

When a proportioning unit is used as primary source of supply, the other sources of supply are used as the secondary and/or reserve source to supply the pipeline distribution system in the event of failure of the proportioning unit.

This document pays particular attention to:

- use of suitable materials;
- safety (mechanical strength, leakage, safe relief of excess pressure);
- compliance of the product gas with specification;
- monitoring of the production process;
- cleanliness;
- testing;
- marking;
- packaging;
- information supplied by the manufacturer.

[Annex C](#) contains rationale statements for some of the requirements of this document.

NOTE Synthetic medical air is referred to as “air, synthetic medicinal” in the most current European Pharmacopoeia monograph.

# Medical gas pipeline systems —

## Part 3:

# Proportioning units for the production of synthetic medical air

## 1 Scope

**1.1** This document specifies requirements relating to the construction and operation of devices producing air through the blending of oxygen and nitrogen for use as sources of supply in supply systems for medical gases.

**1.2** This document is applicable to proportioning units intended to produce synthetic medical air and air for driving surgical tools by mixing in defined proportions oxygen and nitrogen.

**1.3** This document is applicable to proportioning units intended to be components of a medical gas supply system for medical air which supplies a medical gas pipeline distribution system complying with ISO 7396-1.

**1.4** The number of proportioning units within the medical air supply system and their combination with other sources of supply (e.g. cylinder manifolds) to ensure that the supply system consists of at least three sources of supply is outside the scope of this document.

Requirements for the supply systems for medical air are given in ISO 7396-1.

## 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 4126-1, *Safety devices for protection against excessive pressure — Part 1: Safety valves*

ISO 7396-1, *Medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Pipeline systems for compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 14971, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices*

ISO 15001, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Compatibility with oxygen*

ISO 20417, *Information to be supplied by the manufacturer*

IEC 60204-1, *Safety of machinery - Electrical equipment of machines - Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*

IEC 61000-6-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-2: Generic standards - Immunity standard for industrial environments*

IEC 61000-6-4, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 6-4: Generic standards - Emission standard for industrial environments*

IEC 61439-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and control gear assemblies - Part 1: General rules*

IEC 62304, *Medical device software — Software life cycle processes*

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