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**Refrigeration systems and heat pumps - Flexible pipe elements, vibration isolators, expansion joints and non-metallic tubes - Requirements and classification (ISO 13971:2012)**

Systèmes de réfrigération et pompes à chaleur -  
Éléments flexibles de tuyauterie, isolateurs de  
vibration, joints de dilatation et tubes non métalliques -  
Exigences et classification (ISO 13971:2012)

Kälteanlagen und Wärmepumpen - Flexible  
Rohrleitungsteile, Schwingungsabsorber,  
Kompensatoren und Nichtmetall-Schläuche -  
Anforderungen und Klassifikation (ISO 13971:2012)

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## **Refrigeration systems and heat pumps — Flexible pipe elements, vibration isolators, expansion joints and non- metallic tubes — Requirements and classification**

*Systèmes de réfrigération et pompes à chaleur — Éléments flexibles  
de tuyauterie, isolateurs de vibration, joints de dilatation et tubes non  
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**ISO 13971:2012(E)****Introduction**

Flexible pipe elements are used to eliminate impermissible stresses from refrigerating circuits and absorb pipe expansion or relative movements of components.

Flexible pipe elements are often the weakest part of a refrigerating system and the part most likely to suffer from fatigue or stress corrosion cracking.

# Refrigeration systems and heat pumps — Flexible pipe elements, vibration isolators, expansion joints and non-metallic tubes — Requirements and classification

## 1 Scope

This International standard describes requirements, design and installation of flexible pipe elements (e.g., metallic flexible pipe, metallic flexible tube, vibration isolator, expansion joint) and non-metallic tube used in the refrigerant circuits of refrigerating systems and heat pumps.

It also describes the requirements to qualify the tightness and permeability of non-metallic tubes (e.g., plastic) used in evaporating and/or condensing sides of refrigerating systems and heat pumps.

This International standard does not apply to flexible pipes that are only occasionally stressed beyond the elastic limit (e.g., during repair work), or to joints that are free to rotate or hinge.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 175, *Plastics — Methods of test for the determination of the effects of immersion in liquid chemicals*

ISO 5149-2, *Refrigerating systems and heat pumps — Safety and environmental requirements — Part 2: Design, construction, testing, marking and documentation*

ISO 6605:2002, *Hydraulic fluid power — Hoses and hose assemblies — Test methods*

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