

**Plastics piping systems —
Brackets for rainwater piping
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Test method for bracket
strength**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This standard specifies a method for testing the strength of fixing brackets intended to support plastics rainwater downpipe systems used externally on buildings.

It is applicable to both metal and plastics brackets, and determines the amount of residual deformation after removal of a specified test load.

2 Principle

A fixing bracket is fitted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions to a vertical supporting surface in such a manner that it acts as an anchor bracket for vertical pipework. A coaxial vertical load is applied and the residual deflection recorded after removal of the load.

NOTE. It is assumed that the following test parameters are set by the standard making reference to this standard:

- a) the test load (see 3.3 and 6.3);
- b) the number of test pieces (see 4.2);
- c) conditioning requirements, if other than 16 h at $(23 \pm 5) ^\circ\text{C}$ (see clause 5).

3 Apparatus

3.1 A rainwater downpipe socket, with a 500^{+10}_0 mm length of the same sized pipe, which can be inserted into the socket.

3.2 An intermediate guide bracket, sized to accept the pipe (3.1) and allow it to move longitudinally.

3.3 A means of applying the required test load (see 6.3) to the socket (3.1) when the socket is supported by the bracket under test.

3.4 A vertical wall or frame, capable of supporting the test apparatus and load (see clause 6 and figure 1).

3.5 Means for measuring the residual vertical deformation relative to a horizontal datum plane (see 6.4), to $\pm 0,5$ mm (see figures 1 and 2).

4 Test pieces

4.1 The test piece shall consist of a bracket fitted to the socket (3.1) in such a way that the bracket acts as an anchor preventing any relative downward movement of the socket.

4.2 The number of test pieces shall be as specified in the referring standard.

5 Conditioning

Unless otherwise specified in the referring standard, the test piece shall be conditioned for at least 16 h at $(23 \pm 5) ^\circ\text{C}$ immediately prior to testing in accordance with clause 6.

6 Procedure

6.1 Conduct the following procedures in an ambient temperature of $(23 \pm 5) ^\circ\text{C}$.

6.2 Fix the test piece to a vertical supporting wall or frame, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Fit the socket (3.1) to the test piece bracket in such a way that the bracket acts as an anchor fully supporting the socket with the socket axis vertical (see figure 1). Fit the pipe (3.1) into the socket and attach the intermediate bracket (3.2) to the pipe and supporting wall 400 mm above the socket. Determine the location of position 1 (H_1) (see figures 1 and 2).

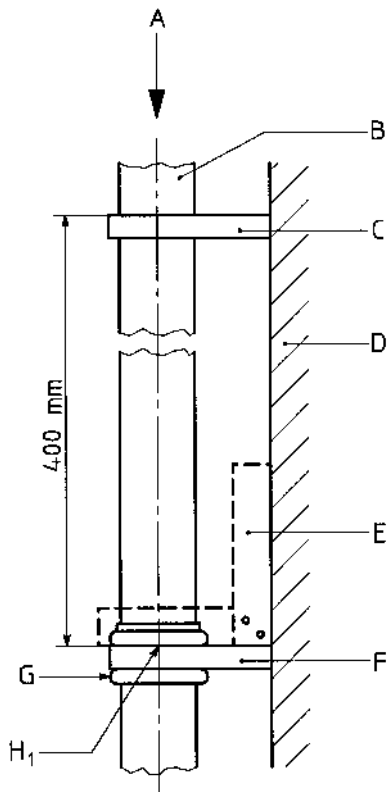
6.3 Apply the test load specified in the referring standard to the socket so that the load produces the appropriate coaxial downward force on the socket for a period of (30 ± 5) min and then remove the load.

6.4 24 h after removal of the load, measure and record the residual vertical deformation as the distance, h_T , between the position 1 and position 2 shown in figure 2, using the set square or equivalent (3.5) as the datum plane.

7 Test report

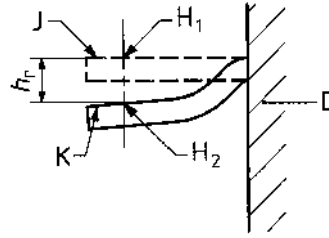
The test report shall include the following information:

- a) the reference to this standard and to the referring standard;
- b) complete identification of the bracket, including material, size, type and batch from which the bracket was taken;
- c) the load applied;
- d) the residual vertical deformation, h_T , in millimetres;
- e) any factors which may have affected the results, such as any incidents or any operating details not specified in this standard;
- f) the date of test.



- A Load
- B Pipe
- C Guide bracket (3.2)
- D Vertical wall or frame
- E Engineers set square or equivalent
- F Pipe bracket under test
- G Socket (3.1)
- H₁ Position 1

Figure 1. Typical arrangement



- D Vertical wall or frame
- H₁ Position 1
- H₂ Position 2 (on pipe centreline) after unloading
- h_r Residual deformation
- J Top of bracket before unloading
- K Top of bracket after unloading

Figure 2. Residual deformation of the bracket

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