

# Laboratory glassware — Specification for straight-bore glass stopcocks for general purposes

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This International Standard ISO 4785 has been prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 48, *Laboratory glassware and related apparatus*, Subcommittee SC 2, *General laboratory glassware (other than measuring apparatus)*.

Annex A of this International Standard is for information only.





## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements and dimensions for two series of glass straight-bore stopcocks for general-purpose use. The stopcocks are defined by their nominal (bore) diameter and large end diameter and length of the ground zone. It is recommended that, in national standards, only one of the series should be specified.

NOTE Annex A lists additional International Standards for other general-purpose laboratory glassware.

## 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards. ISO 719:1985, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 98 °C — Method of test and classification*.

ISO 3585:1991, *Borosilicate glass 3.3 — Properties*.

ISO 4803:1978, *Laboratory glassware — Borosilicate glass tubing*.

## 3 Ground zone

**3.1** The taper of the ground zone shall be such as to give one increment on the diameter for ten increments on the axial length, with a tolerance of  $\pm 0,006$  on the diameter increment i.e. a taper of  $(1 \pm 0,006)/10$ .

NOTE 1 This tolerance is in agreement with the relevant requirement of ISO 383. Annex B in ISO 383:1976 describes a leakage test with air which may be used to check the tightness of the ground zone.

NOTE 2 Actual manufacturing techniques normally result in a tighter tolerance than that given above, but owing to the lack of experimental evidence it is not yet possible to reduce the specified value.

**3.2** The centreline average height of the ground surface shall not exceed  $1 \mu\text{m}$  and should preferably be less than  $0,5 \mu\text{m}$ .

NOTE The “centreline average height” of the ground surface is the average value  $R_a$  of the surface roughness as defined in ISO 468.

## 4 Dimensions and series of sizes

**4.1** The nominal diameters of series I stopcocks shall be as follows (given in millimetres):

1 – 1,5 – 2,5 – 4 – 6 – 10

NOTE This is the R 5 series of preferred numbers.

**4.2** The nominal diameters of series II stopcocks shall be as follows (given in millimetres):

1 – 1,5 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 6 – 8 – 10

**4.3** The dimensions and tolerances of the ground zone shall be as shown in Table 1 and Figure 1.

**4.4** The allocation of bore diameters to key and barrel dimensions shall be as shown in Table 2.

## 5 Side arms

The side arms shall be fused to the barrel so as to enable a pin of thickness 0,8 times the nominal bore to fit at least to the middle of the length of the bore. See Figure 2 for details.

Recommended dimensions for the side arms are given in Table 3. In the case of stopcocks made from borosilicate glass 3.3, tubes in accordance with ISO 4803 should be used.

## 6 Material

**6.1** Stopcocks should preferably be made from borosilicate glass 3.3 in accordance with ISO 3585. When tested according to the procedure and classification given in ISO 719, the glass shall comply with the requirements of class HGB3 or better.

The glass should be as free as possible from visible defects and reasonably free from internal stress which would impair the performance of the stopcock.

**6.2** Both the key and barrel of a stopcock should preferably be fabricated from the same type of glass.

## 7 Construction

The key may be solid or hollow at the manufacturer's discretion. The key may project slightly beyond the base of the ground zone and can be fitted with a suitable retaining device (see Figure 3).

The rims of the barrel should be suitably strengthened, in order to avoid chipping. The construction should be sufficiently robust to withstand normal usage.

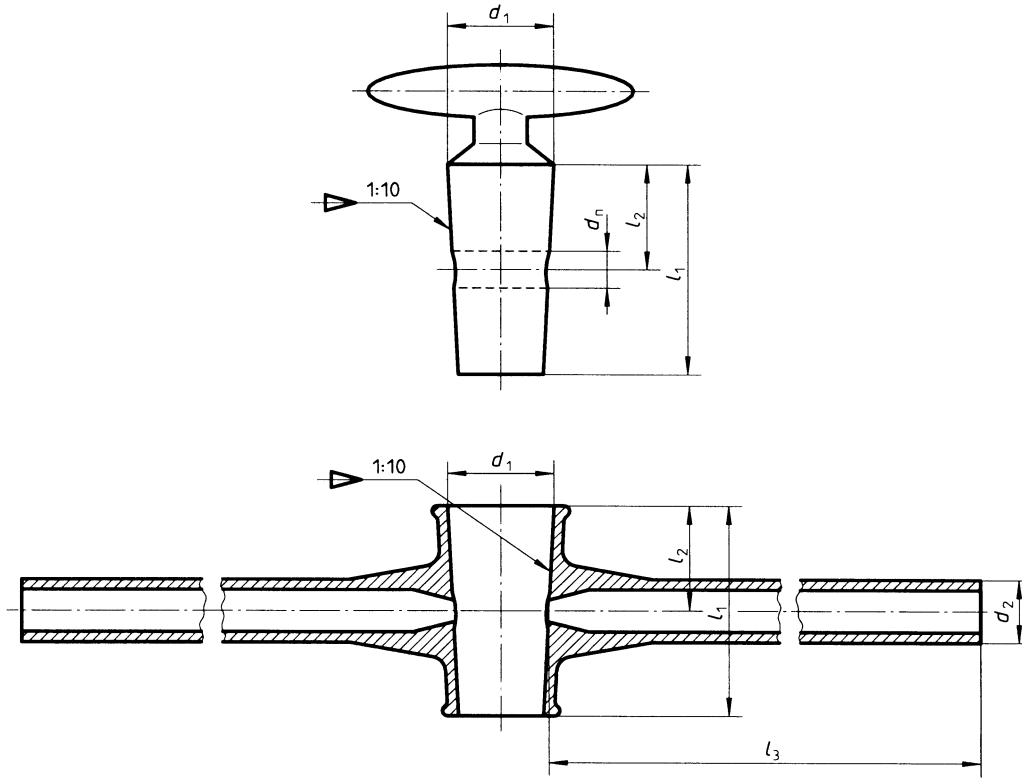


Figure 1 — Straight-bore stopcock, general appearance

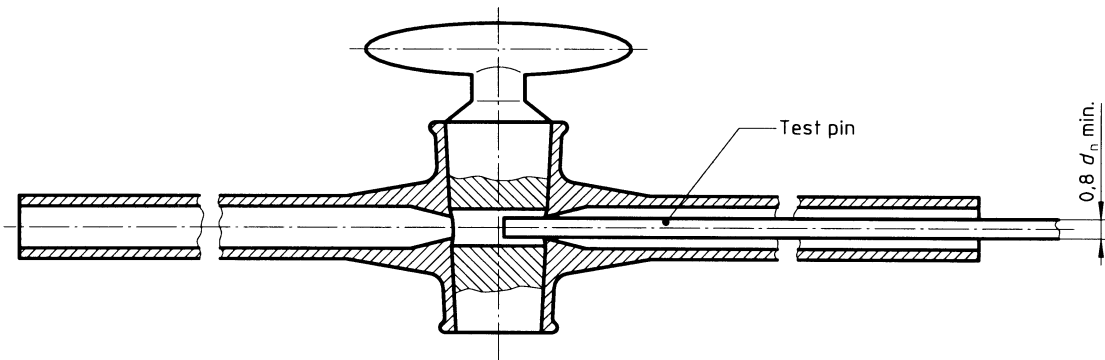


Figure 2 — Test according to clause 5

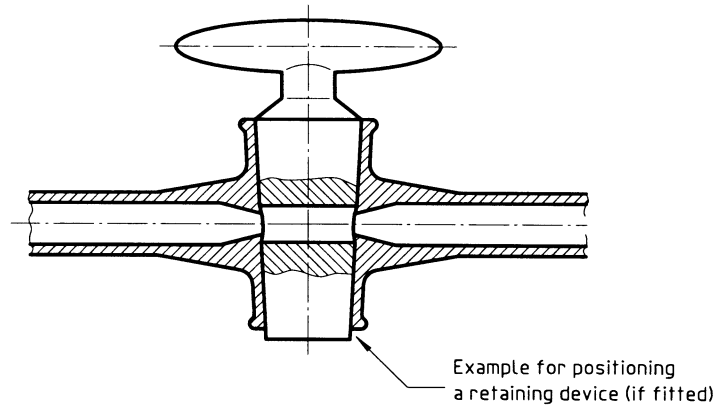


Figure 3 — Assembled stopcock

## 8 Dimensions

The dimensions shall be as given in Table 1 to Table 3.

## 9 Designation

For convenience of reference to stopcocks complying with the requirements of this International Standard, the use of a designation is recommended, consisting of the following dimensions, expressed in millimetres:

- nominal bore diameter (e.g. 4), and
- large end diameter of the ground zone (e.g. 18,8), and
- the number of this International Standard.

EXAMPLE: Stopcock ISO 4785, 4 – 18,8

## 10 Marking

The size of the large end diameter of the ground zone according to Table 2 shall be marked on the barrel of each stopcock in such a way as to be permanent under normal conditions of use:

EXAMPLE: 18,8

Table 1 — Dimensions and tolerances of the ground zone

Dimensions in millimetres

$d_1^a$	$I_1^b$	$I_2$
$7,5 \pm 0,008$	22	$11 \pm 0,215$
$8 \pm 0,008$	20	$10 \pm 0,215$
$10 \pm 0,008$	25	$12,5 \pm 0,215$
$12,5 \pm 0,01$	28	$14 \pm 0,215$
$13,5 \pm 0,01$	30	$15 \pm 0,215$
$14,5 \pm 0,01$	30	$15 \pm 0,215$
$18,8 \pm 0,015$	38	$19 \pm 0,26$
$19 \pm 0,015$	40	$20 \pm 0,26$
$21,5 \pm 0,015$	44	$22 \pm 0,26$
$22,2 \pm 0,015$	44	$22 \pm 0,26$
$27,6 \pm 0,015$	52	$26 \pm 0,26$
$29,2 \pm 0,015$	58	$29 \pm 0,26$
$37,8 \pm 0,015$	56	$28 \pm 0,26$

<sup>a</sup> The tolerances are in agreement with the relevant requirements of ISO 383.  
<sup>b</sup> As  $I_2$  is the essential dimension,  $I_1$  is left without tolerances.

**Table 2 — Nominal dimensions of ground zone and bore diameter**

Dimensions in millimetres

$d_1$	$I_1$	$d_n$	
		Series I	Series II
7,5	22	1	—
8	20	—	1
10	25	1	—
12,5	28	1,5	—
13,5	30	—	1
13,5	30	—	1,5
13,5	30	—	2
14,5	30	2,5	—
18,8	38	4	—
19	40	—	3
19	40	—	4
21,5	44	6	—
22,2	44	—	5
22,2	44	—	6
27,6	52	—	8
29,2	58	10	—
37,8	56	—	10

**Table 3 — Recommended dimensions for side arms**

Dimensions in millimetres

$d_2$ $\pm 0,4$	$I_3$ min.	$d_n$	
		Series I	Series II
7	115	—	1
7	100	1	—
8	100	1,5	—
7	115	—	1
8	115	—	1,5
8	115	—	2
9	100	2,5	—
10	110	4	—
10	115	—	3
10	115	—	4
13	120	6	—
12	115	—	5
12	130	—	6
14	130	—	8
18	120	10	—
17	140	—	10

## Annex A (informative)

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