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Part 2: Guidance for the assessment of conformity

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## European foreword

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Compared with CEN/TS 1401-2:2012, the following changes have been made:

- merging of Table 1 and Table 2 to have the new Table 1 “Formulation tolerances”;
- clarification that a lower content of non-virgin material in the formulation (which has already been Type tested and which is fulfilling the agreed specification) is not considered as a material change;
- increase of minimum testing frequencies if a non-virgin material is used.

EN 1401, *Plastics piping systems for non-pressure underground drainage and sewerage — Unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-U)*, consists of the following Parts:

- *Part 1: Specifications for pipes, fittings and the system;*
- *Part 2: Guidance for the assessment of conformity.*

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## Introduction

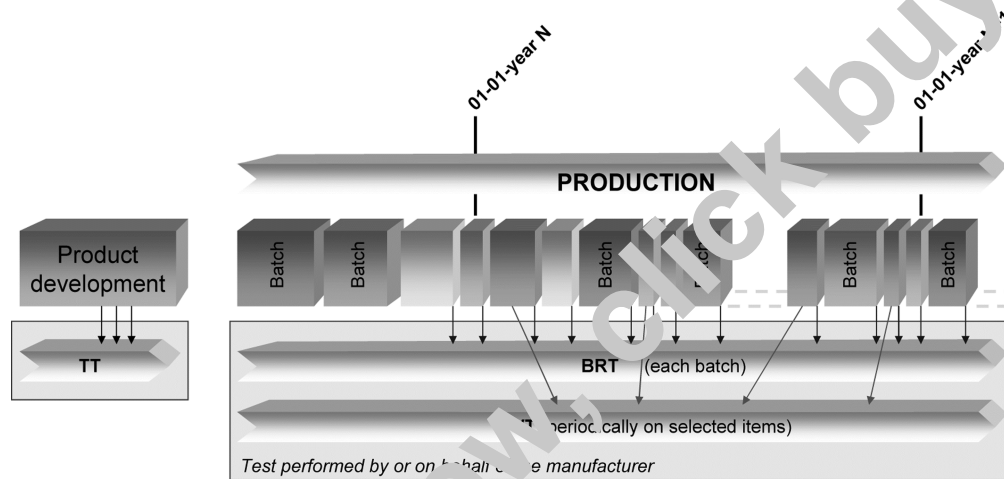
This revision of the EN 1401 series is proposed in order to improve the 'level of sustainability' and the 'environmental impact' of PVC piping systems, whilst improving the recommendations and safe use of recycled material. Recycled material is categorised as non-virgin material in this document.

Regarding this specific target, more focus was given to the control of applied material formulation and to the final characteristics and performance of products.

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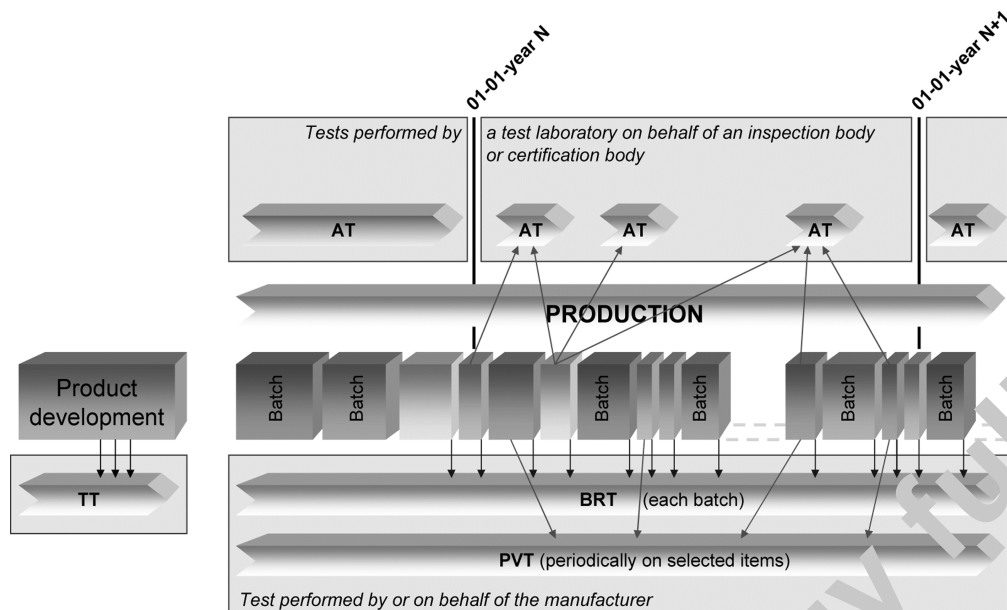
Figures 1 and 2 are intended to provide general information on the concept of testing and organization of those tests used for the purpose of the assessment of conformity. This document details the applicable characteristics to be assessed as well as the frequency and sampling of testing for each type of test, i.e. type testing (TT), batch release test (BRT), process verification test (PVT) and audit test (AT).

A typical scheme for the assessment of conformity of formulations pipes, fittings, assemblies by manufacturers is given in Figure 1.



**Figure 1 — Typical scheme for the assessment of conformity by a manufacturer**

A typical scheme for the assessment of conformity of formulations, pipes, fittings, assemblies by manufacturers, including a third party certification, is given in Figure 2.



**Figure 2 — Typical scheme for the assessment of conformity by a manufacturer, including a third party certification**

## 1 Scope

This document gives requirements and guidance for the assessment of conformity of formulations, products and assemblies in accordance with EN 1401-1 intended to be included in the manufacturer's quality plan as part of the quality management system and for the establishment of third-party certification procedures.

NOTE 1 The quality management system is expected to conform to or is no less stringent than the relevant requirements to EN ISO 9001 [1].

NOTE 2 If third party certification is involved, the certification body is expected to be compliant with either EN ISO/IEC 17065 [2] or EN ISO/IEC 17021-series [3], as applicable.

NOTE 3 In order to help the reader, a basic test matrix is given in Annex A.

In conjunction with EN 1401-1, this document is applicable to piping systems made of unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-U) intended for non-pressure underground drainage and sewerage

- buried in ground outside the building structure (application area code "U");
- both buried in ground within the building structure and outside the building structure (application area code "UD").

## 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.

EN 1401-1:2019, *Plastics piping systems for non-pressure underground drainage and sewerage — Unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC-U) — Part 1: Specifications for pipes, fittings and the system*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 1401-1 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

**3.1 certification body**  
impartial body, governmental or non-governmental, possessing the necessary competence and responsibility to carry out certification of conformity according to given rules of procedure and management

Note for guidance: A certification body is preferably compliant with EN ISO/IEC 17065 [2].