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FOR WELDING, CUTTING AND ALLIED  
PROCESSES**

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connexes

Gasschweißgeräte - Festlegungen für Schlauchleitungen  
für Ausrüstungen für Schweißen, Schneiden und verwandte  
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## **Foreword**

This European Standard (EN 1256:2006) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 121 "Welding", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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## EN 1256:2006 (E)

### 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies performance and test requirements of hose assemblies, if supplied in assembled condition for equipment for gas welding, cutting and allied processes using rubber hoses in compliance with EN 559.

This European Standard is not applicable to hose assemblies where the hoses are not in compliance with EN 559 (e.g. high pressure hoses).

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this European Standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 559, *Gas welding equipment — Rubber hoses for welding, cutting and allied processes*

EN 560, *Gas welding equipment — Hose connections for equipment for welding, cutting and allied processes*

EN 29090, *Gas tightness of equipment for gas welding and allied processes (ISO 9090:1989)*

EN 29539, *Materials for equipment used in gas welding, cutting and allied processes (ISO 9539:1988)*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **hose assembly**

assembly consisting of a hose tail inserted into the end of a hose and secured by a suitable hose mounting device against sliding off (see Figure 1)

#### 3.2

##### **hose tail**

end of a coupling device (e.g. nipple/nozzle) to be inserted into a hose

#### 3.3

##### **hose mounting device**

non-detachable component such as ferrule or hose clip, which prevents sliding off of the hose from the hose tail

#### 3.4

##### **ferrule**

metallic component providing frictional connection between sleeve, hose and hose tail by means of pressing

#### 3.5

##### **hose clip**

metallic component providing frictional connection between sleeve, hose and hose tail by means of clamping

#### 3.6

##### **mounting area**

area on the hose tail where the hose mounting device is positioned

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