

**Guideline**

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**Subject:**

**Question:**

**Answer:**

The following definition is proposed for "type":

"Vessel type : vessels are of the same type if

- they have a similar geometrical shape (i.e. rings and ends or only ends, but in both cases ends having the same shape);
- they belong to the same class (more than 3 000 bar·litre but not more than 10 000 bar·litre; more than 200 bar·litre but not more than 3 000 bar·litre; more than 50 bar·litre but not more than 200 bar·litre);
- the vessel material and wall thickness satisfy the welding process test requirements including the requirements for stubs, branches and inspection openings;
- their inspection openings are of the same type (examples of different types of inspection openings are viewing holes, handholes, head holes and manholes);
- they are designed for the same design temperature limits."

Reasons

The definition corresponds to EN 286-1 and has stood the test of time.