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Foreword (Not part of Standard)

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Preface

Symbols are used throughout this standard to identify the pump types. The convention is to define the term in text, followed by the HI symbol in parenthesis (xx), and followed, when different, with the ISO symbol in brackets [xx].

ANSI/HI 2.3 *Rotodynamic Vertical Pumps of Radial, Mixed, and Axial Flow Types for Design and Application* complements the nomenclature and definitions content defined in this document with detailed information about the design and application of rotodynamic vertical pumps.

2 Rotodynamic vertical pumps

2.1 Types and nomenclature

2.1.1 Scope

This standard is for types, nomenclature, and definitions of vertical turbine, mixed flow, axial flow vertical diffuser, submersible motor deep-well and short-set pumps, commonly defined as vertically suspended rotor types VS0, VS1, VS2, VS3, VS6, VS7, and VS8, as well as vertical overhung impeller types VS4 and VS5 (Figure 2.1.3) that are driven by vertical electric motors or horizontal engines with right-angle gears.

2.1.2 Definition of rotodynamic vertical pumps

Rotodynamic vertical pumps are kinetic machines in which energy is continuously imparted to the pumped fluid by means of an impeller, propeller, or rotor having a vertical axis of rotation. The most common types of rotodynamic pumps are radial (centrifugal), mixed, and axial flow (propeller) pumps. Within these broad types there are many design variations in both horizontal axis and vertical axis configurations. A particular group of rotodynamic vertical pumps historically has been called *vertical turbine pumps*. The turbine pumps typically use radial, modified radial, or mixed flow impellers. (Refer to Sections 2.1.5.2 to 2.1.5.5.)

These pumps, particularly the radial flow and modified radial flow types, are usually designed for multistaging, by bolting or threading individual bowls together.

The pumping element (bowl assembly) is usually suspended by a column pipe, which also carries the liquid from the bowl (assembly) to the discharge opening.

Rotodynamic vertical pumps are normally classified as deep well, short set, or submersible motor-driven. The driver for these pump configurations is mounted either on the discharge head (line-shaft pumps); directly to the bowl assembly, either above or below (i.e., pumps with submersible motors); or in a horizontal configuration, such as an electrical motor or engine, driving through a right-angle gear.

2.1.3 Types of vertical pumps

See Figures 2.1.3 to 2.1.3.6.

2.1.3.1 Submersible – turbine bowl

This type of pump consists of an electric drive motor coupled directly to the bowl assembly. See Figure 2.1.3.1. The driving “submersible-type” motor and bowl assembly are designed to be submerged in the liquid pumped. The pumping element usually is of the turbine bowl design; however, mixed flow and propeller types are also available. This type of unit is normally used in wells and occasionally for wet pit or canned booster service. With this style pump the motor is fully submerged in the pumped liquid. A minimum velocity flow is required to cool the motor during operation. Where liquid temperatures exceed specified values, the motors must be derated according to manufacturers’ recommendations.