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# Countersunk flat head screws (common head style) with type H or type Z cross recess — Product grade A

Part 2: Steel screws of property class 8.8,  
stainless steel screws and non-ferrous metal  
screws (ISO 7046-2:2011)

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 7046-2:1990), of which it constitutes a minor revision.

ISO 7046 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Countersunk flat head screws (common head style) with type H or type Z cross recess — Product grade A*:

- *Part 1: Steel screws of property class 4.8*
- *Part 2: Steel screws of property class 8.8, stainless steel screws and non-ferrous metal screws*

## Introduction

The penetration depth of cross recesses for countersunk flat head screws is intended to satisfy two requirements, which act in opposite directions for a given head dimension.

Firstly, there is the requirement for sufficient head strength to attain the proof and breaking loads of the respective property class. A shallow cross recess increases the head strength. On the other hand, it is necessary for the wrench ability of the screw to be satisfactory; this can only be achieved by a sufficiently deep cross recess.

ISO 7721-2 was developed in order to find a compromise which, as far as possible, would meet both requirements.

ISO 7721-2 specifies deep cross recesses for countersunk head screws of low strength: a good wrench ability is achieved and the head strength is still sufficient. This execution is used in ISO 7046-1 (see the Foreword).

For screws of higher strength, sufficient head strength can only be attained by a shallower penetration depth of the cross recesses. If such screws also require good wrench ability, then, under the conditions of the common head style, it is necessary for a shoulder to be provided under the head, in addition to the larger penetration depth, in order to guarantee sufficient head strength. This part of ISO 7046 covers both possibilities.

This compromise, which unfortunately results in different, but interchangeable, types of cross-recessed flat countersunk head screws, is the only way of reaching an agreement at the international level.

# Countersunk flat head screws (common head style) with type H or type Z cross recess — Product grade A —

## Part 2:

## Steel screws of property class 8.8, stainless steel screws and non-ferrous metal screws

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 7046 specifies the characteristics of recessed countersunk flat head screws with threads M2 up to and including M10, of grade A and of property class 8.8 for steel, A2-70 for stainless steel and CU2 and CU3 for non-ferrous metals.

If, in special cases, specifications other than those listed in this part of ISO 7046 are required, they can be selected from existing International Standards, for example ISO 261, ISO 888, ISO 898-1, ISO 965-2, ISO 3506-1, ISO 4759-1 and ISO 8839.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

ISO 225, *Fasteners — Bolts, screws, studs and nuts — Symbols and descriptions of dimensions*

ISO 261, *ISO general purpose metric screw threads — General plan*

ISO 898-1, *Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes — Coarse thread and fine pitch thread*

ISO 965-2, *ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 2: Limits of sizes for general purpose external and internal screw threads — Medium quality*

ISO 3269, *Fasteners — Acceptance inspection*

ISO 3506-1, *Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs*

ISO 4042, *Fasteners — Electroplated coatings*

ISO 4757, *Cross recesses for screws*

ISO 4759-1, *Tolerances for fasteners — Part 1: Bolts, screws, studs and nuts — Product grades A, B and C*

ISO 6157-1, *Fasteners — Surface discontinuities — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs for general requirements*

ISO 6157-3, *Fasteners — Surface discontinuities — Part 3: Bolts, screws and studs for special requirements*

ISO 7721-2, *Countersunk flat head screws — Part 2: Penetration depth of cross recesses*

ISO 8839, *Mechanical properties of fasteners — Bolts, screws, studs and nuts made of non-ferrous metals*

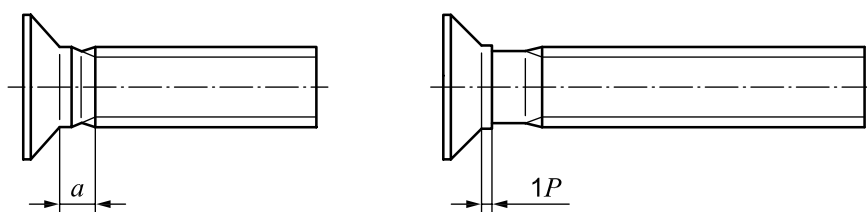
ISO 10683, *Fasteners — Non-electrolytically applied zinc flake coatings*

ISO 16048, *Passivation of corrosion-resistant stainless-steel fasteners*

### 3 Dimensions

See Figures 1, 2 and 3 and Table 1. Symbols and descriptions of dimensions are specified in ISO 225.

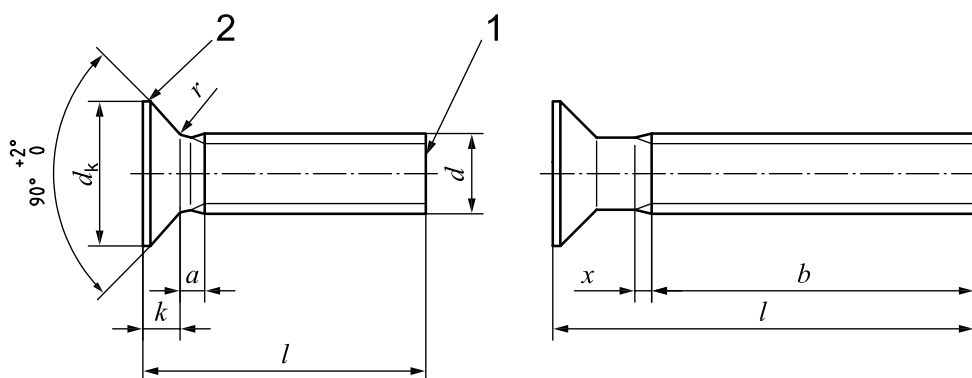
The shank diameter is approximately equal to the pitch diameter or equal to the permissible major thread diameter.



$$a_{\max} = 2,5P$$

NOTE For other dimensions, see Figures 2 and 3.

**Figure 1 — Screw with underhead shoulder for penetration depth series 1 — Deep**



$$a_{\max} = 2P$$

**Key**

- 1 as-rolled end
- 2 edge (rounded or flat)

**Figure 2 — Screw without underhead shoulder for penetration depth series 2 — Shallow**





Figure 3 — Cross recess

Table 1 — Dimensions

Dimensions in millimetres

Thread, $d$			M2	M2,5	M3	(M3,5) <sup>a</sup>	M4	M5	M6	M8	M10		
$p^b$			0,4	0,45	0,5	0,6	0,7	0,8	1	1,25	1,5		
$b$		min.	25	25	25	38	38	38	38	38	38		
$d_k^c$	Theoretical	max.	4,4	5,5	6,3	8,2	9,4	10,4	12,6	17,3	20		
	Actual	max.	3,8	4,7	5,5	7,3	8,4	9,3	11,3	15,8	18,3		
		min.	3,5	4,4	5,2	6,9	8,0	8,9	10,9	15,4	17,8		
$k$		max.	1,2	1,5	1,65	2,35	2,7	2,7	3,3	4,65	5		
$r$		max.	0,5	0,6	0,8	0,9	1	1,3	1,5	2	2,5		
$x$		max.	1	1,1	1,25	1,5	1,75	2	2,5	3,2	3,8		
Cross recess	Series 1 <sup>d</sup> (deep)	Type H	Recess no.	0	1		2			3	4		
			$m$	ref.	1,9	2,9	3,2	4,4	4,6	5,2	6,8	8,9	10
			Penetration depth	min.	0,9	1,4	1,7	1,9	2,1	2,7	3,0	4,0	5,1
		max.		1,2	1,8	2,1	2,4	2,6	3,2	3,5	4,6	5,7	
		Type Z	Recess no.	0	1		2			3	4		
			$m$	ref.	1,9	2,8	3	4,1	4,4	4,9	6,6	8,8	9,8
	Penetration depth		min.	0,95	1,48	1,76	1,75	2,06	2,60	3,00	4,15	5,19	
		max.	1,20	1,73	2,01	2,20	2,51	3,05	3,45	4,60	5,64		
	Series 2 <sup>d</sup> (shallow)	Type H	Recess no.	0	1		2			3	4		
			$m$	ref.	1,9	2,7	2,9	4,1	4,6	4,8	6,6	8,7	9,6
			Penetration depth	min.	0,9	1,25	1,4	1,6	2,1	2,3	2,8	3,9	4,8
		max.		1,2	1,55	1,8	2,1	2,6	2,8	3,3	4,4	5,3	
		Type Z	Recess no.	0	1		2			3	4		
			$m$	ref.	1,9	2,5	2,8	4	4,4	4,6	6,3	8,5	9,4
	Penetration depth		min.	0,95	1,22	1,48	1,61	2,06	2,27	2,73	3,87	4,78	
		max.	1,20	1,47	1,73	2,05	2,51	2,72	3,18	4,32	5,23		

Table 1 (continued)

Dimensions in millimetres

Thread, $d$			M2	M2,5	M3	(M3,5)	M4	M5	M6	M8	M10
$l^{ae}$											
nom.	min.	max.									
<b>3</b>	2,8	3,2									
<b>4</b>	3,76	4,24									
<b>5</b>	4,76	5,24									
<b>6</b>	5,76	6,24									
<b>8</b>	7,71	8,29	Range								
<b>10</b>	9,71	10,29									
<b>12</b>	11,65	12,35									
<b>(14)</b>	13,65	14,35				of					
<b>16</b>	15,65	16,35									
<b>20</b>	19,58	20,42									
<b>25</b>	24,58	25,42						preferred			
<b>30</b>	29,58	30,42									
<b>35</b>	34,5	35,5									
<b>40</b>	39,5	40,5									
<b>45</b>	44,5	45,5									
<b>50</b>	49,5	50,5									
<b>(55)</b>	54,05	55,95									
<b>60</b>	59,05	60,95									

<sup>a</sup> Sizes in brackets should be avoided if possible.  
<sup>b</sup>  $P$  is the pitch of the thread.  
<sup>c</sup> See ISO 7721.  
<sup>d</sup> In accordance with ISO 7721-2.  
<sup>e</sup> Screws with nominal lengths above the bold, discontinuous line are threaded up to the head;  $b = l - (k + a)$ .

## 4 Specifications and reference International Standards

See Table 2.

**Table 2 — Specifications and reference International Standards**

<b>Material</b>	Steel	Stainless steel	Non-ferrous metal
<b>Thread</b>	Tolerance class 6g		
	International Standard ISO 261, ISO 965-2		
<b>Mechanical property</b>	Property class 8.8	A2-70	CU2, CU3 <sup>a</sup>
	International Standard ISO 898-1	ISO 3506-1	ISO 8839
<b>Tolerance</b>	Product grade A		
	International Standard ISO 4759-1		
<b>Cross recess</b>	International Standard ISO 4757		
<b>Finish — Coating</b>	As processed		
	Requirements for electroplating are specified in ISO 4042.  Requirements for non-electrolytically applied zinc flake coatings are specified in ISO 10683.	Requirements for passivation are specified in ISO 16048.	Requirements for electroplating are specified in ISO 4042.
Additional requirements or other finishes or coatings shall be agreed between the supplier and the purchaser.			
<b>Surface integrity</b>	Limits for surface discontinuities are specified in ISO 6157-1 and ISO 6157-3.		
<b>Acceptability</b>	Acceptance inspection is specified in ISO 3269.		
<sup>a</sup> At the manufacturer's discretion.			

## 5 Designation

**EXAMPLE 1** A cross-recessed countersunk flat head screw, with thread M5, nominal length  $l = 20$  mm, property class 8.8 and cross recess type Z, penetration depth series 1 or 2 at the manufacturer's discretion is designated as follows:

**Countersunk head screw ISO 7046-2 - M5 × 20 - 8.8 - Z**

**EXAMPLE 2** If, in special cases, one of the two series is wanted, the number of the series should be included in the designation as follows:

**Countersunk head screw ISO 7046-2 - M5 × 20 - 8.8 - Z1**

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