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## Part 2-2: Particular requirements for screwdrivers and impact wrenches

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## Foreword

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This standard is divided into two parts:

Part 1: General requirements which are common to most hand-held electric motor operated tools (for the purpose of this standard referred to simply as tools).

Part 2: Requirements for particular types of tool which either supplement or modify the requirements given in Part 1 to account for the particular hazards and characteristics of these specific tools.

This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN/CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association and supports the essential health and safety requirements of the Machinery Directive.

Compliance with the clauses of Part 1 together with this Part 2 provides one means of conforming with the essential health and safety requirements of the Directive.

For noise and vibration this standard covers the requirements for their measurement, the provision of information arising from these measurements and the provision of information about the personal protective equipment required. Specific requirements for the reduction of the risk arising from noise and vibration through the design of the tool are not given as this reflects the current state of the art. As with any standard, technical progress will be kept under review so that any developments can be taken into account.

CEN TC/255 is producing standards for non electrically driven screwdrivers and impact wrenches.

**Warning:** Other requirements and other EC Directives can be applicable to the products falling within the scope of this standard.

This standard follows the overall requirements of EN 292-1 and EN 292-2.

Subclauses and figures which are additional to those in Part 1 are numbered starting from 101.

NOTE In this European Standard the following print types are used:

- Requirements proper;
- *Test specifications*;
- Explanatory matter.

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## 1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### 1.1 Addition:

This European Standard applies to screwdrivers and impact wrenches.

This standard does not give requirements for the design of the tool for the reduction of the risk arising from noise and vibration.

## 2 Definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### 2.2.18 Replacement:

**2.2.18 normal load:** The load obtained when the tool is operated intermittently, each cycle comprising a period of operation of 10 min and a rest period of 10 min with the tool switched off, the load during the periods of operation being such that the input, in watts, is equal to:

$$P_0 + 0,3 P_1 \quad \text{for impact wrenches;}$$

$$P_0 \times \frac{300 \times \left(1 + \frac{P_2}{P_0}\right) + 1,3 \times (n_0 + n_2)}{550 + n_0 + n_2} \quad \text{for screwdrivers;}$$

where:

$P_0$ : is the input, in watts, under no load conditions, measured after the tool has been operating for a period of 30 min with no load;

$P_1$ : is the input, in watts, measured when the clutch, adjusted at maximum torque, is slipping or when the impact gear operates; if no clutch is provided,  $P_1$  is 0,7 times the input, in watts, measured under locked-rotor conditions;

$P_2$ : is the input, in watts, measured immediately before the clutch slips when the load is applied gradually, the clutch being adjusted at maximum torque; if no clutch is provided or if the clutch is not adjustable or does not slip,  $P_2$  is 0,7 times the input, in watts, measured under locked-rotor conditions;

$n_0$ : is the speed, in revolutions per minute, of the spindle, after the tool has been operating for a period of 30 min with no load;

$n_2$ : is the speed, in revolutions per minute, of the spindle, corresponding with  $P_2$ .

Inputs and speeds are those obtained at rated voltage or at the upper limit of the rated voltage range.

## 3 General requirements

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 4 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **5 Rating**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **6 Classification**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **7 Marking and information for use**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### *7.13 Additional subclause:*

7.13.101 The instruction sheet shall also include the following: "Hearing protection should be worn when operating impact wrenches".

## **8 Protection against electric shock**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **9 Starting**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **10 Input and current**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### *10.1 Replacement:*

Compliance is checked by measuring the input after the tool has been operating for a period of 30 min, at rated voltage or at the upper limit of the rated voltage range, under normal load.

## **11 Heating**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### *11.5 Replacement:*

Temperature rises are determined at the end of the sixth period of operation.

## **12 Leakage current**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## **13 Environmental requirements**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

### *13.2.3 Replacement of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3:*

Screwdrivers are tested at no load.

Impact wrenches are tested under load using the loading device shown in Figure 101 which is supported on resilient material and mounted on the bench. The details of the loading device are shown in Figure 102.

For the test the speed is adjusted to  $45 \text{ r/min} \pm 5 \text{ r/min}$  by means of nut number 12 on the loading device. The feed force should be just sufficient to obtain stable operation.

Each test shall be no more than 10 seconds duration.

#### 13.2.4 *Addition:*

For screwdrivers the bit holder shall be horizontal.

#### 13.3.3 *Replacement of paragraph 1:*

*Measurements shall be made in the direction of the reaction torque.*

#### 13.3.7 *Replacement of paragraph 1:*

Screwdrivers and impact wrenches are tested under the conditions specified in 13.2.3.

Paragraph 3 is not applicable.

### **14 Moisture resistance**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

### **15 Insulation resistance and electric strength**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

### **16 Endurance**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

#### 16.2 *Replacement:*

*The tool is operated under normal load, at rated voltage or at the upper limit of the rated voltage range, for four periods of 6 h each, the interval between these periods being at least 30 min.*

*The tool may be switched on and off by means of a switch other than that incorporated in the tool.*

*In order to prevent abnormal accumulation of carbon dust in any particular place during the test the tool shall be placed in three different positions, the operating time at each position being approximately 8 h. The three positions are horizontal, vertically up and vertically down.*

*During the test, replacement of carbon brushes is allowed and the tool is oiled and greased as in normal use.*

*If the temperature rise of any part of the tool exceeds the temperature rise determined during the test of 11.1, forced cooling or rest periods are applied, the rest periods being excluded from the specified operating time.*

### **17 Abnormal operation**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

### **18 Mechanical hazards**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.



**19 Mechanical strength**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**20 Construction**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**21 Components**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**22 Internal wiring**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**23 Supply connection and external flexible cables and cords**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

**23.2 Replacement** (for impact wrenches):

For impact wrenches non-detachable flexible cables or cords shall not be lighter than heavy polychloroprene sheathed flexible cable (Code designation H07 RN-F).

**24 Terminals for external conductors**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**25 Provision for earthing**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**26 Screws and connections**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**27 Creepage distances, clearances and distances through insulation**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**28 Resistance to heat, fire and tracking**

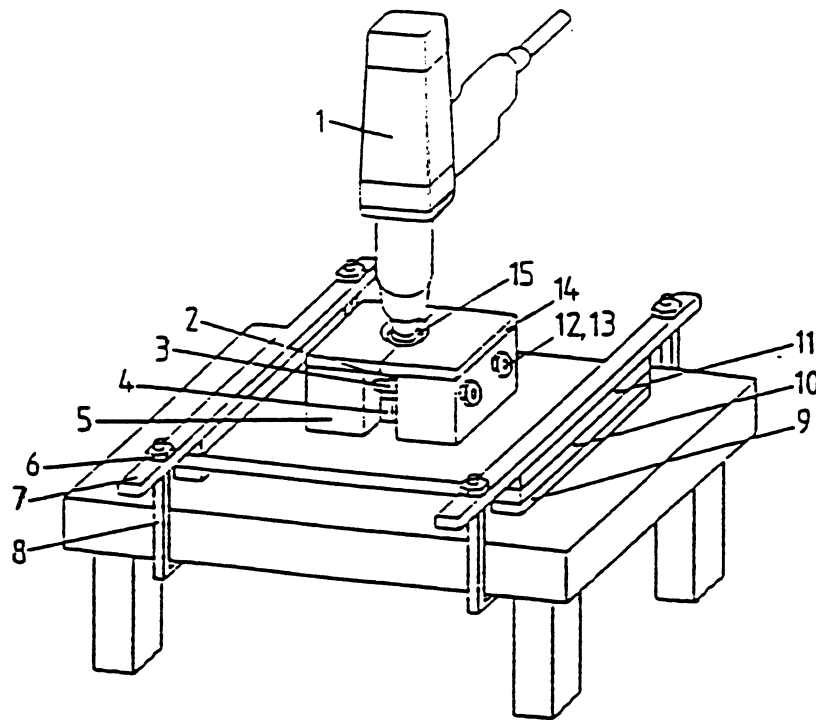
This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**29 Resistance to rusting**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

**30 Radiation**

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.



Position Nr.	Pieces	Description	Remarks
1	1	impact wrench	
2	2	brake shoe	
3	2	bolt	M 10
4	2	pressure plate	
5	2	clamping jaw	
6	4	nut	M 10
7	2	clamping rail	
8	4	clamp	M 10
9	2	resilient material	
10	1	carrier base	(520 × 520 × 20) mm
11	2	resilient material	
12	8	nut	M 10
13	4	washer	
14	2	pressure plate	
15	1	brake element	

Figure 101 — Loading device

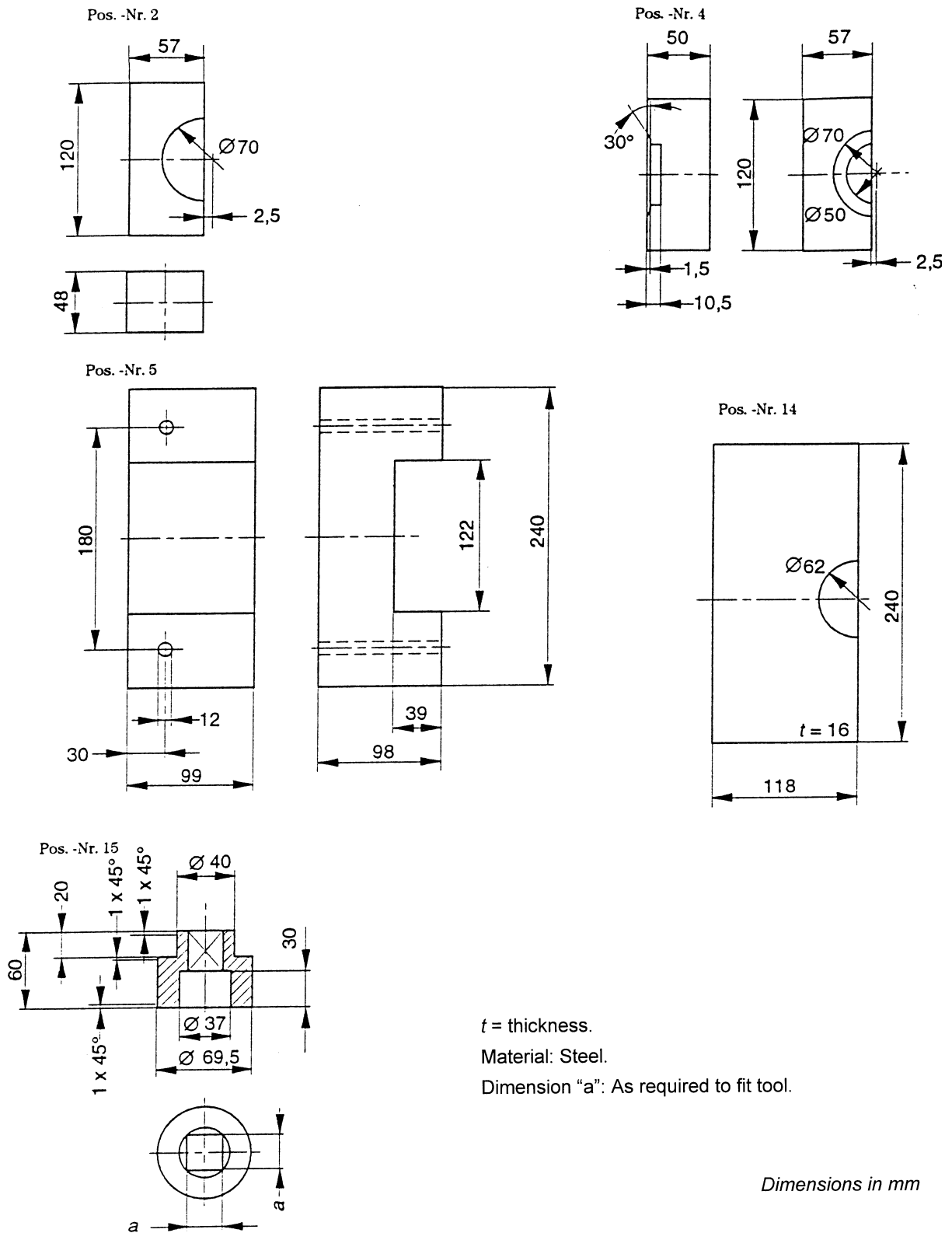


Figure 102 — Details of loading device

## **Annexes**

The Annexes of Part 1 are applicable.



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