

Specification for

Plain setting rings for use with internal diameter measuring machines —

Inch units

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Foreword

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This standard makes reference to the following British Standards:

BS 1044, *Gauge blanks*.

BS 1134, *Centre-line average height method for the assessment of surface texture*.

BS 3730, *Methods for the assessment of departures from roundness*.

This standard has been prepared under the authority of the Mechanical Engineering Industry Standards Committee. It forms one of a series of standards, published and in course of preparation, for engineers' precision tools and has been prepared with the co-operation of the manufacturers and in close collaboration with the National Physical Laboratory. It provides only for inch setting rings; similar requirements for metric rings are given in a separate standard.

Numerous types of instruments are now available for the measurement of internal diameters. They vary in design, application and accuracy of performance. Many of these instruments effect measurements by means of two-point contacts but some use three-point contacts and indicate a derived diameter and others, notably air gauges, do not use contacts at all.

The present standard covers requirements for plain rings intended for setting such instruments and suitable for use with those employing two-point or three-point measuring contacts and with those which are independent of physical contact. They are in three grades of accuracy and the standard has been based on considerations aimed at providing a series of plain setting rings that will serve for all types of internal measuring equipment whilst at the same time avoiding the high costs entailed in manufacturing unnecessarily close to a specified size.

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Summary of pages

This document comprises a front cover, an inside front cover, pages i and ii, pages 1 to 4, an inside back cover and a back cover.

This standard has been updated (see copyright date) and may have had amendments incorporated. This will be indicated in the amendment table on the inside front cover.

Introduction

The first requirement for a setting ring is that its measuring surface is cylindrical to within close limits. The actual diameter of the ring is relatively unimportant providing its size is known, or known to be within specified limits. Separate tolerances have therefore been allocated for truth of cylindrical form and for departure of diameter from nominal size; thus, Columns 2 and 3 of the table in 5.4 give values designed to ensure that the bore of the ring is round and parallel within limits consistent with its grade of accuracy and Column 4 gives the recommended maximum departures of the mean measured diameter from the nominal size specified by the user. Although, as has already been stated, the actual diameter of the ring is less important than its geometrical form, it is nevertheless essential to know, when setting an instrument, how closely the size stated for the ring has been established and Column 5 accordingly specifies the accuracy of determination appropriate to the various grades.

Further, when considering the diametral tolerances for setting rings, it is important that the effect of possible departures from ideal roundness be clearly understood. It is a well known fact that uniform diametral measurements of a cylinder, obtained by using two diametrically opposite measuring contacts, do not necessarily mean that the cylinder is truly circular in section. It may suffer from departures from ideal roundness. Measurement of a cylinder by means of three contacts, for example, may reveal form deviations undetected when only two opposite contacts are used. In order to ensure that departures from roundness can be expressed numerically and consistently controlled and assessed, a British Standard, BS 3730¹⁾, has been published and deals in detail with the numerical assessment of departures from ideal roundness. All references in the present standard to the departures of setting rings from ideal roundness are based on the procedures recommended in BS 3730.

The standard calls for all setting rings to be examined for departures from ideal roundness. This is to ensure that any ring complying with the standard will be suitable for checking all types of internal measuring equipment regardless of whether two or three measuring contacts are employed.

1 Scope

1.1 This British Standard relates to plain setting rings primarily intended to be used, either singly or in combination, for checking the scales on internal diameter measuring equipment.

It provides for a range of inch rings in sizes from 0.08 in to 6 inches in three grades of accuracy, viz.

Grades AA, A and B.

NOTE Sizes below 0.08 in are not included because it is impracticable to measure them.

Requirements are specified for material, hardness and surface texture and recommended sections for the setting rings covered by this standard are included in an appendix.

2 Material and hardness

2.1 Setting rings shall preferably be made of good quality steel suitably hardened and stabilized and free from inclusions.

The measuring surface of a steel setting ring shall have a hardness value of not less than 750 HV (59 HRC).

Other materials may be used only if the setting rings produced have properties of hardness and stability at least equal to those specified for steel setting rings.

NOTE Details of a method of stabilizing suitable for plain carbon steel are given in Appendix A.

3 General features of design

3.1 Both end faces of the rings shall be finished and the edges of the bore shall have a small chamfer or radius.

The axis of the bore shall be square to the supporting surface to within 0.001 in per inch and the ring, when placed on an accurately flat surface, shall be free from rock.

Recommended general dimensions for the outside diameter and depth of measuring surface of setting rings are given in Appendix B.

¹⁾ BS 3730, "Methods for the assessment of departures from roundness."

4 Surface texture

4.1 When assessed in accordance with BS 1134²⁾, the surface texture of the measuring surface of a setting ring shall have a roughness value not exceeding the following amounts:

Grade AA	2 micro-in CLA
Grade A	4 micro-in CLA
Grade B	8 micro-in CLA

Any defect in the measuring surface shall not influence the use of the ring nor, in the case of a new ring, detract from the appearance associated with a precision setting standard.

5 Accuracy

5.1 *General.* All measurements shall be referred to the standard temperature of 20 °C.

NOTE Care should be taken when using the rings to avoid excessive handling which might cause variations in size due to heating.

5.2 *Geometric form.* Within the middle half of the depth of the ring the cylindrical measuring surface, as measured with a two-point contact, shall be uniform in diameter, i.e. it shall be parallel, to within the values given in Column 2 of the table, and when assessed in accordance with BS 3730³⁾ departures from ideal roundness shall not exceed the permissible values given in Column 3.

The departure from roundness is defined as the difference in radii of two co-planar concentric circles, the annular space between which just contains the profile of the surface examined.

5.3 *Measured size.* The mean diameter of a setting ring shall be taken as the mean of at least four diameter measurements made at the mid-plane and it is recommended that this diameter does not depart from the nominal size of the ring by more than the amounts given in Column 4 of the table.

If required, the measured size at a localized plane may be specified for Grade AA rings.

5.4 *Accuracy of determination.* The measured size referred to in 5.3 above shall be determined with the accuracy specified for the grade in question in Column 5 of the table.

Accuracy of setting rings

Unit = 1 micro-inch (0.000 001 in)

1		2			3			4			5			
		Geometric form						Recommended maximum departures of mean measured size from nominal size (measured in the mid-plane)			Accuracy of determination of measured size			
		Uniformity of diameter as measured by two-point contact			Roundness ^a									
Grade		AA	A	B	AA	A	B	AA	A	B	AA	A	B	
Nominal diameter in inches	Over													
	Up to and including													
	0.079	1	20	50	100	10	25	50	30	80	150	± 10	± 30	± 50
	1	2	40	100	200	20	50	100	60	150	300	± 20	± 50	± 100
	2	4	60	150	300	30	75	150	90	230	450	± 30	± 80	± 150
4	6	80	200	400	40	100	200	120	300	600	± 40	± 100	± 200	

^a See 5.2

²⁾ BS 1134, "Centre-line-average height method for the assessment of surface texture."

³⁾ BS 3730, "Methods for the assessment of departures from roundness."

6 Certificate and marking

6.1 Certificate. The manufacturer shall supply a certificate of measured size with each setting ring.

6.2 Marking. Each setting ring shall be legibly and permanently marked on the top face with the particulars given below.

The marking shall be applied in such a manner that it does not affect the accuracy of the setting ring.

- 1) The manufacturer's name or trade mark.
- 2) The number of this British Standard, BS 4065.
- 3) The grade, i.e. AA, A or B.
- 4) A serial number.
- 5) If required by the purchaser, the measured size of the ring.

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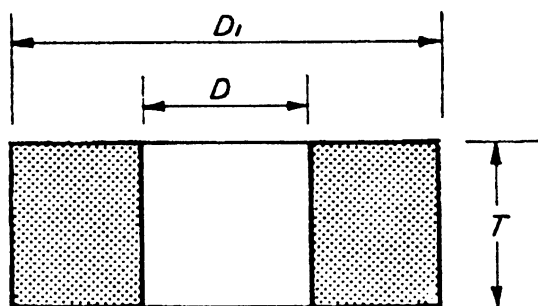


Appendix A Stabilization of steel setting rings

A suitable method of stabilizing steel setting rings is as follows:

The rings are stabilized after hardening by heating them to, and maintaining them at, a temperature of 150 °C for a period of from 5 to 10 hours and allowing them to cool slowly in the furnace.

Appendix B Recommended general dimensions of setting rings



1	2	3	4
D		D_1	T
Over	Up to and including		
in	in	in	in
0.079	0.2	0.8	0.3
0.2	0.4	1.2	0.4
0.4	0.6	1.4	0.6
0.6	0.8	2.0	0.8
0.8	1.0	2.6	1.0
1.0	1.5	3.3	1.2
1.5	2.0	4.0	1.2
2.0	2.5	4.5	1.2
2.5	3.0	5.0	1.4
3.0	3.5	5.5	1.4
3.5	4.0	6.0	1.4
4.0	4.5	6.5	1.4
4.5	5.0	7.2	1.4
5.0	5.5	8.1	1.5
5.5	6.0	9.0	1.5

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