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International Standard IEC 62841-2-6 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 116:
Safety of motor-operated electric tools

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

This Part 2-6 is to be used in conjunction with IEC 62841-1:2014.

This Part 2-6 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 62841-1, so as to convert it into the IEC Standard: Particular requirements for hand-held hammers.

Where a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2-6, that subclause applies as far as relevant. Where this standard states “addition”, “modification” or “replacement”, the relevant text in Part 1 is to be adapted accordingly.

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- notes: in small roman type.

The terms defined in Clause 3 are printed in **bold typeface**.

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Part 2-6: Particular requirements for hand-held hammers

1 Scope

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

Addition:

This part of IEC 62841 applies to hand-held hammers.

Tools covered by this document include **percussion hammers** and **rotary hammers**, including **rotary hammers** with the capability to rotate only with the percussion system disengaged (drill only mode).

This document does not apply to drills and impact drills.

NOTE 101 Drills and impact drills are covered by IEC 62841-2-1.

This document does not apply to tools that are designed exclusively for driving fasteners, such as palm nailers.

2 Normative references

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Addition:

EN 206:2013, *Concrete. Specification, performance, production and conformity*
EN 206:2013/~~AMD1:2016~~AMD2:2021

3 Terms and definitions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

Addition:

3.101

percussion hammer

tool equipped with a built-in percussion system where the impact energy is not dependent on the feed force applied by the operator and has no capability of rotational motion

Note 1 to entry: **Percussion hammers** are also known as chisel hammers, hammers, breakers, concrete breakers and picks.

3.102

rotary hammer

tool capable of rotational motion and equipped with a built-in percussion system where the impact energy is not dependent on the feed force applied by the operator (**rotary hammer mode**) and additionally, may have one or more of the following modes:

- a) with rotational motion disengaged (percussion only mode)
- b) with the percussion system disengaged (drill only mode)

4 General requirements

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

5 General conditions for the tests

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

5.17 Addition:

The mass of the tool includes the auxiliary handle and all parts of an integrated (i.e. non-detachable) dust extraction device, if any. A detachable dust extraction device is not included in the mass of the tool.

6 Radiation, toxicity and similar hazards

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

7 Classification

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

8 Marking and instructions

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

8.14.1 Addition:

The additional safety instructions as specified in 8.14.1.101 shall be given. This part may be printed separately from the "General Power Tool Safety Warnings".

8.14.1.101 Hammer safety warnings

1) Safety instructions for all operations

- a) **Wear ear protectors.** *Exposure to noise can cause hearing loss.*
- b) **Use auxiliary handle(s), if supplied with the tool.** *Loss of control can cause personal injury.*
- c) **Brace the tool properly before use.** *This tool produces a high output torque and without properly bracing the tool during operation, loss of control may occur resulting in personal injury.*

NOTE 101 The above warning applies only for **rotary hammers** with a maximum output torque greater than 100 Nm measured in accordance with 19.102.

- d) **Hold the power tool by insulated gripping surfaces, when performing an operation where the cutting accessory may contact hidden wiring or its own cord.** *Cutting accessory contacting a "live" wire may make exposed metal parts of the power tool "live" and could give the operator an electric shock.*

NOTE 102 For **rotary hammers** that can also be used as screwdrivers, the words "or fasteners" are added after "cutting accessory".

2) Safety instructions when using long drill bits with rotary hammers

NOTE 103 The warnings in this section apply only to **rotary hammers**.

- a) **Always start drilling at low speed and with the bit tip in contact with the workpiece.** *At higher speeds, the bit is likely to bend if allowed to rotate freely without contacting the workpiece, resulting in personal injury.*
- b) **Apply pressure only in direct line with the bit and do not apply excessive pressure.** *Bits can bend, causing breakage or loss of control, resulting in personal injury.*

8.14.2 a) Addition:

- 101) For tools with a maximum output torque greater than 100 Nm measured in accordance with 19.102: instructions on how to brace the tool;
- 102) Instructions for assembling any **attachments** that are supplied with the tool;
- 103) For tools provided with a dust extraction device: instruction on how to collect the dust;
- 104) For tools with detachable dust collection device: information on which dust collection device may be used.

9 Protection against access to live parts

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

10 Starting

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

11 Input and current

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

12 Heating

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

12.2.1 Replacement:

*The tool is operated intermittently for 30 cycles or until thermal equilibrium is reached, whichever is achieved first, each cycle comprising a period of continuous operation of 30 s and a rest period of 90 s with the tool switched off, the tool loaded during the periods of operation by means of a brake adjusted so as to attain **rated input** or **rated current**.*

During the test, the hammer mechanism is disengaged or removed.

12.5 Addition:

The temperature-rise limit specified for the external enclosure does not apply to the enclosure of the impact mechanism.

13 Resistance to heat and fire

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

14 Moisture resistance

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

15 Resistance to rusting

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

16 Overload protection of transformers and associated circuits

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

17 Endurance

This clause of Part 1 is applicable, except as follows:

17.2 Replacement:

*Rotary hammers with drill only mode are operated intermittently at no-load with the impact mechanism disengaged for 12 h at a supply voltage equal to 1,1 times the highest **rated voltage** or 1,1 times the upper limit of the **rated voltage range**, and then for 12 h at a supply voltage equal to 0,9 times the lowest **rated voltage** or 0,9 times the lower limit of the **rated voltage range**. The 12 h of operation need not be continuous. The speed is adjusted to the highest value of the highest range.*

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Each cycle of operation comprises an "on" period of 100 s and an "off" period of 20 s, the "off" periods being included in the specified operating time.

During the test, the tool is placed in three different positions, the operating time, at each voltage, being approximately 4 h for each position.

NOTE 1 The change of position is made to prevent abnormal accumulation of carbon dust in any particular place. Examples of the three positions are horizontal, vertically up and vertically down.

*Following the above test (if applicable), all hammers, including **rotary hammers** with drill only mode, are mounted vertically down in a test apparatus designed to apply an axial force ensuring steady operation of the impact mechanism to the hammer through a resilient medium. An example of a test apparatus is shown in Figure 101.*

*The hammers are then operated at **rated voltage**, for four periods of 6 h each, the interval between these periods being at least 30 min. For **rotary hammers** with drill only mode, the impact mechanism is engaged.*

The tool is operated intermittently, each cycle comprising a period of operation of 30 s and a rest period of 90 s during which the tool remains switched off.

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

*During these tests, replacement of the carbon brushes is allowed, and the tool is oiled and greased as in **normal use**. If the impact mechanism fails mechanically during the test without causing an **accessible part** to become live, it may be replaced by a new one.*

If the temperature rise of any part of the tool exceeds the temperature rise determined during the test of 12.1, forced cooling or rest periods may be applied, the rest periods being excluded from the specified operating time. If forced cooling is applied, it shall not alter the air flow of the tool or redistribute carbon deposits.

During these tests, overload protection devices incorporated in the tool shall not activate.

NOTE 2 Monitoring of external temperatures will help avoid mechanical failures.

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