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Earth-moving machinery — Excavators — Operator's controls

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the requirements, movement directions and actuating forces for the operator's controls on excavators as they relate to the operator and his position on the machine.

2 Field of application

This International Standard applies to excavators as defined in ISO 6165 and is intended as a guide when designing operator controls on these machines. Cable operated excavators are excluded.

The range of sizes of operators considered in this International Standard is that established in ISO 3411.

3 References

ISO 3411, *Earth-moving machinery — Human physical dimensions of operators and minimum operator space envelope.*

ISO 6165, *Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Vocabulary.*

ISO 6682, *Earth-moving machinery — Zones of comfort and reach for controls.*

4 Controls

4.1 General requirements

The minimum normal operating space envelope around the operator for operator enclosures (cabs) and the clearance between the operator enclosure and controls are defined in ISO 3411.

4.2 The operator's controls shall be located as specified in 5.1, which takes seat adjustment into account.

5 Location of controls

5.1 The controls for machine operation and travel listed in table 1 shall be located with their neutral position and, if possible, all other positions in the zones of comfort. All other positions that they may occupy shall be at least within the zone of reach. (See ISO 6682.)

Table 1 — Controls

Machine operation	Machine travel
Rotation or slew (swing)	Steering
Slewing brake	Accelerator (speed)
Boom — lift and lower	Clutch
Arm movement	Service brake
Bucket movement	Turn signal (indicator)
Operation sound alarm (horn)	Transmission
	Travel sound alarm (horn)

All controls frequently used and not specified above shall be located so that all positions they may occupy are within the zone of reach. The combining of controls is permissible.

5.2 The controls should be of reliable design and construction and arranged so that they can be operated with ease from the operator's seat within the force limits of table 2.

5.3 Controls, control linkages, hoses, tubes and connections shall be arranged in such a manner that they are unlikely to be damaged by foreseeable external forces (i.e. used as a step, maximum hand or foot force exerted) and are easily accessible for inspection.

5.4 The distance between control levers, adjacent foot pedals, handles, knobs, the operator's body and other machine parts shall be sufficient to allow operation without unintentional actuation of adjacent controls.

5.5 The surface of frequently-used pedals shall be fitted with skid-resistant type material. Where practical and necessary, the pedals shall have raised edges to reduce the possibility of the foot slipping off the pedal. The pedals may be adjustable.

5.6 The overlapping of foot pedals is permissible to provide for independent and simultaneous control applications.

6 Movement of controls

6.1 The movement of the following controls, in relation to their neutral position, shall be in the same general direction as the movement they control unless customary usage or combining of controls dictates otherwise.

- Rotation or slew (swing);
- Boom — lift and lower;
- Arm movement;
- Bucket movement.

6.2 Power for the movement of the boom, arm and bucket shall continue for as long as an action is exerted by the operator on these controls and shall be discontinued automatically as soon as this action ceases. Controls which are retained in a

power position but are equipped with an automatic release are acceptable.

6.3 A diagram¹⁾ of the controls showing their location, function and direction of operation except those whose function is obvious, i.e. brake pedal, accelerator, shall be placed in the operator area where it is easily visible to the operator.

7 Control forces

The maximum forces in table 2 shall not be exceeded for normal operation. However these forces may be exceeded on a control for an emergency. The direction of force shall be referenced to the operator's position while operating the control.

Table 2 — Control forces

Controls operated by	Maximum force N
Hand	115 steering wheel, at rim 230 lever, forward/backward 100 lever, sideways 400 brake lever, upwards
Foot	450 pedal 230 treadle — centre-pivoted
Toe	90 pedal

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¹⁾ Symbols, in accordance with ISO 6405 (at present at the stage of draft) may be used in place of a diagram.