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Foreword

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Draft International Standards adopted by the technical committees are circulated to the member bodies for voting. Publication as an International Standard requires approval by at least 75 % of the member bodies casting a vote.

International Standard ISO 9173-1 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 106, *Dentistry*, Sub-Committee SC 4, *Dental instruments*.

ISO 9173 consists of the following parts, under the general title, *Dental extraction forceps*:

- *Part 1: Screw and pin joint types*
- *Part 2: Box joint types*
- *Part 3: ...*

Annexes A and B are for information only.

Introduction

For many decades, "English" pattern forceps have been widely used by the world-wide dental community. The popularity of these forceps has been such that a number of manufacturers, from various countries, have produced their own versions. Quite naturally, each manufacturer attempted to introduce an element of individuality into the design; but as a consequence subtle dimensional changes occurred between forcep patterns produced by different manufacturers.

This part of ISO 9173 is based on commercial specifications and illustrates the popular patterns of forceps currently used in dental practice; it is by no means comprehensive and details of additional patterns may form the basis for future parts in this series.

The patterns described are not intended to specify a definitive design or formula but rather to reflect the range of dimensions currently used by manufacturers. For this reason some tolerances are rather generous and manufacturers are requested to work to closer tolerances on individual dimensions.

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Dental extraction forceps —

Part 1: Screw and pin joint types

1 Scope

This part of ISO 9173 specifies the dimensions and performance requirements for dental extraction forceps with screw or pin joints, commonly known as English pattern forceps.

2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 9173. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision and parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 9173 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 6508 : 1986, *Metallic materials — Hardness test — Rockwell test (scales A - B - C - D - E - F - G - H - K)*.

ISO 7153-1 : 1983, *Instruments for surgery — Metallic materials — Part 1: Stainless steel*.

3 Construction materials

3.1 Component parts

With the exception of the pins and screws (see 3.2), the component parts shall be made of stainless steel of grade B or C of ISO 7153-1.

3.2 Pins and screws

The pins and screws shall be made of stainless steel chosen, at the discretion of the manufacturer, from the grades specified in ISO 7153-1.

4 Requirements for physical properties

4.1 Heat treatment and hardness

4.1.1 The component parts of the instruments, with the exception of the pins and screws, shall be heat-treated to attain a Rockwell hardness value of 42 HRC to 50 HRC when tested in accordance with ISO 6508.

4.1.2 Mating surfaces on the same instrument, such as those on opposite beaks, shall not vary in hardness by more than 3 units on the Rockwell hardness scale C.

4.2 Mechanical strength

When tested in accordance with 7.1, neither the forcep or any part thereof shall fracture, or show any sign of cracks or acquire a permanent set of dimension b_3 greater than 0,2 mm.

4.3 Resistance to corrosion by boiling water, autoclaving and dry heat

4.3.1 When subjected to the procedure described in 7.3, the instrument shall show no change in hardness or mechanical strength in any part or acquire a permanent set of dimension b_3 greater than 0,2 mm.

4.3.2 After being subjected to the procedure described in 7.2 and 7.3, the instrument shall show no evidence of corrosion (i.e. neither general or localized rust formation on the surface nor pitting).

NOTE — Discoloration due to water marking does not constitute evidence of corrosion.

4.4 Requirements for joint

4.4.1 The forcep joint shall be so constructed so that the instrument opens smoothly, without jerking, when gripped in one hand and levered open and closed with the index finger.

4.4.2 When tested in accordance with 7.4, the opening and closing moment of force shall be between 0,20 N·m and 0,68 N·m.

4.4.3 When the extremity of each handle is gripped between the index finger and thumb of each hand, there shall be no perceptible lateral movement of the handles in any position between fully open and fully closed.

4.5 Finish

4.5.1 General

All surfaces shall be free from pores, cracks, grinding marks, residual scale and inclusions and shall also be free from any

non-functional sharp edges when inspected using normal vision (corrected if necessary) without magnification.

4.5.2 Beaks

When the inner or crown space of the forceps is serrated or textured, the serrations or texture shall be uniform in depth throughout their length and consistent within any one pattern of forceps when examined using normal vision (corrected if necessary) without magnification.

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5 Key to dimensions and illustrations for all forceps

Table 1 — Key to figures 1 to 13

Dimension		Measurement point	Figures
a	Joint thickness	At maximum width excluding protruding pins, screws and rivets	2, 7, 9
$b_1^{1)}$	Beak thickness	As illustrated	2, 3, 4, 9
$b_2^{1)}$	Crown space width	At maximum width with forceps closed	1
$b_3^{1)}$	Beak separation	At minimum gap with forceps closed	1
b_4	Forcep width	At maximum distance across handles with forceps closed	1
b_5	Handle width	At base of handle where radius blends and maximum width occurs	2
b_6	Beak width (combined)	At maximum distance across both beaks when forceps closed	1
b_7	Joint width	At maximum width for half- and pin joint forceps	6, 8
d_1	Joint diameter for forceps with circular joints	As illustrated	1
$h_1^{1)}$	Beak offset 1	If $h_2 = 0$, from furthest point of beak tip to forcep centreline If $h_2 \neq 0$, from furthest point of beak tip to measurement point of h_2 (i.e. on first bend in beak)	3, 4
$h_2^{1)}$	Beak offset 2	From furthest point on first bend to centreline of forcep	4
h_3	Handle offset	From furthest point on handle to centreline of forcep	11, 12
		As illustrated	13
l_1	Overall length	As shown in plan view illustrated	1, 3, 5, 6, 8
$l_2^{1)}$	Overall beak length	From beak tip to pivot centre	1, 3, 5, 6, 8
$l_3^{1)}$	Working length of beak	From beak tip to outside diameter of the joint	2, 3, 5, 6
$l_4^{1)}$	Thickness of ramp/height of step	Centreline between outside diameter of joint and crown space	2, 3
l_5	Scoping length	From beak tip to limit of depression	2
l_6	Length of serrations	From beak tip to limit of serrations within scoping	2
$r^{1)}$	Depth of scoping	From edge of beak to lowest point in scoped section	2

1) The tolerance on this dimension is critical and will have a direct effect on the performance.

5.1 Forceps with circular joint

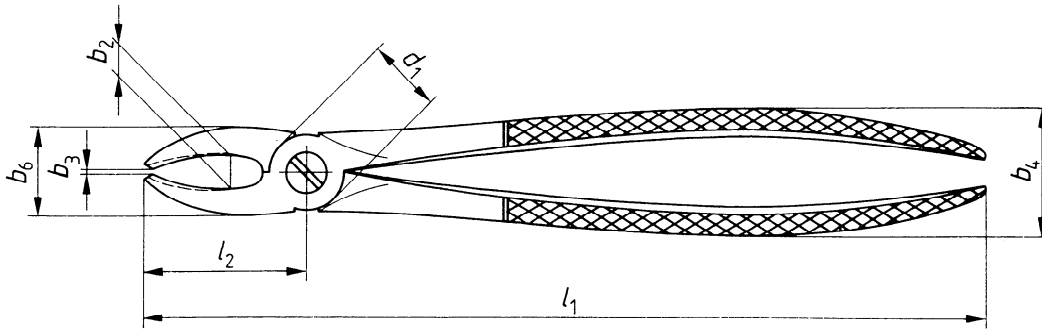
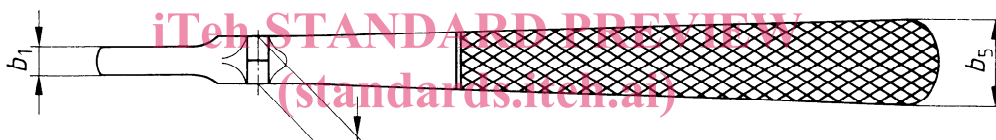
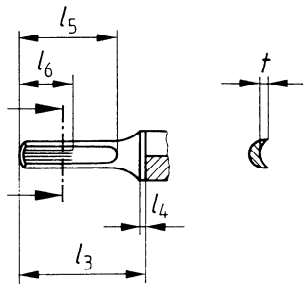


Figure 1



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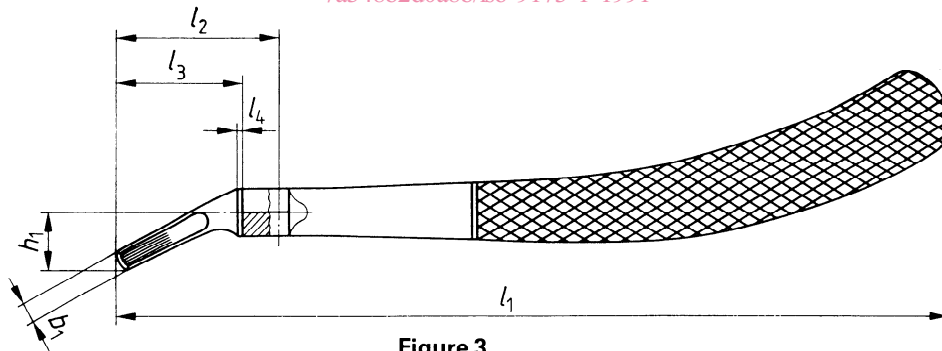


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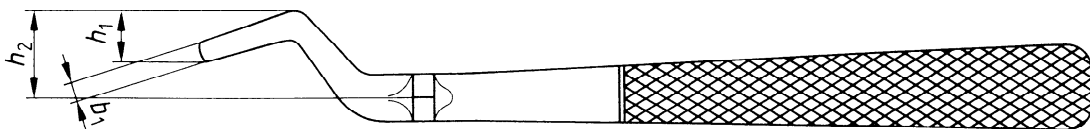


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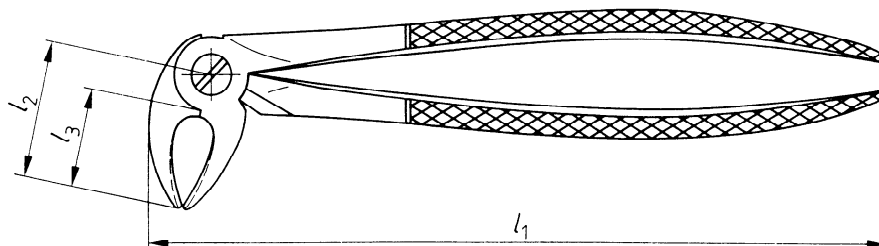


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5.2 Forceps with pin joint

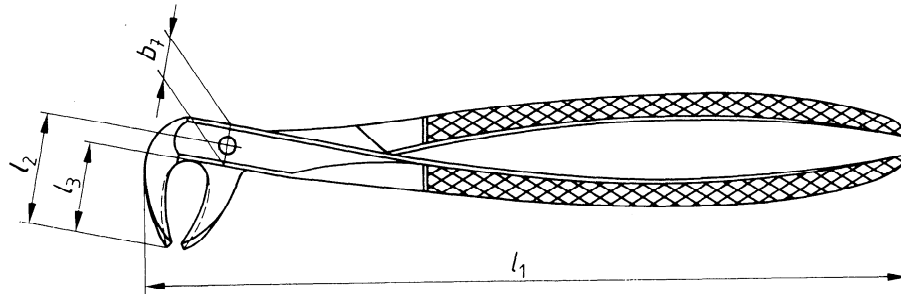
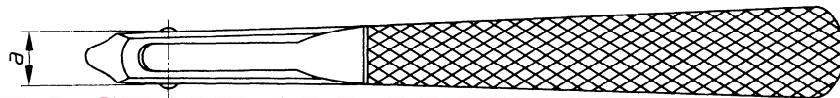


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5.3 Forceps with half-joint

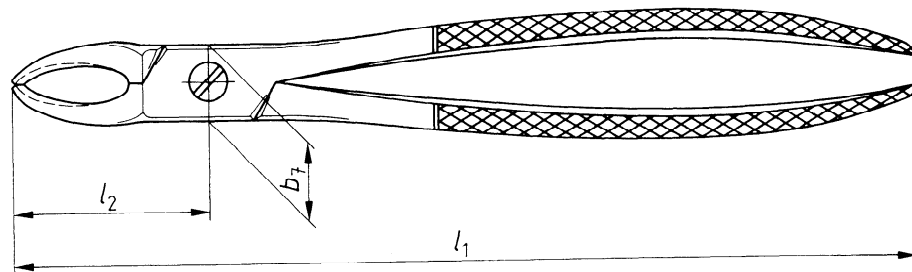


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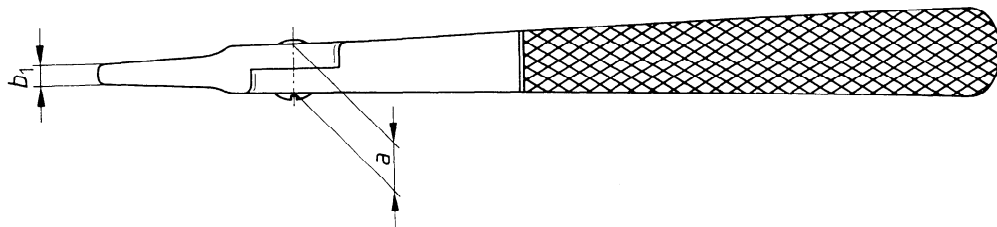


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