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International Standard IEC 62841-3-4 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 3-4 is to be used in conjunction with the first edition of IEC 62841-1:2014.

This Part 3-4 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 62841-1, so as to convert it into the IEC Standard: Particular requirements for transportable bench grinders.

Where a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 3-4, 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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ELECTRIC MOTOR-OPERATED HAND-HELD TOOLS, TRANSPORTABLE TOOLS AND LAWN AND GARDEN MACHINERY – SAFETY –

Part 3-4: Particular requirements for transportable bench grinders

1 Scope

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

Addition:

This part of IEC 62841 applies to transportable **bench grinders** that can be equipped with one or two **accessories** as follows:

- type 1 grinding wheels ~~in accordance with ISO 603-4:1999~~ (see Figure 106) with a diameter not exceeding 310 mm and a thickness not exceeding 55 mm;
- wire brushes with a diameter not exceeding 310 mm and a thickness not exceeding 55 mm;
- polishing wheels with a diameter not exceeding 310 mm;

and with a peripheral speed of any **accessory** between 10 m/s and 50 m/s.

NOTE Polishing wheels are also known as buffing wheels.

This document does not apply to tools intended for lapidary grinding operations.

2 Normative references

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

Addition:

~~ISO 603-4:1999, Bonded abrasive products — Dimensions — Part 4: Grinding wheels for surface grinding/peripheral grinding~~

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.101

bench grinder

tool designed to grind, clean, polish or debur metal or similar materials by means of one or two rotating **accessories** fixed to one or two **tool spindles**, see Figure 101, where the workpiece is held by hand and possibly assisted by a **work rest**


3.102

tool spindle

drive spindle of a **bench grinder** which supports the **accessories** and provides the rotation

8.2 Addition:

Tools shall be marked with the following safety warnings:

- “ **WARNING** Always wear eye protection” or the symbol M004 of ISO 7010 or the following safety sign:



- a warning near any polishing spindle (i.e. a spindle without a **guard**) never to use a grinding wheel or wire brush on the polishing side of the tool, if applicable.

8.3 Addition:

Bench grinders shall be marked with the minimum and maximum diameter of the **accessory** to be used on each **tool spindle**.

Bench grinders shall be marked with the direction of rotation of the **tool spindle**, indicated in a visible location on the tool in the vicinity of the **tool spindle**, by an arrow raised or recessed or by any other means no less visible and indelible.

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 Safety instructions for bench grinders

Bench grinder safety warnings

- Do not use a damaged accessory. Before each use, inspect the accessory such as abrasive wheels for chips and cracks and wire brushes for loose or cracked wires. After inspecting and installing an accessory, position yourself and bystanders away from the plane of the rotating accessory and run the power tool at maximum no-load speed for one minute. Damaged accessories will normally break apart during this test time.**

NOTE 1 For tools that are not intended for wire brushes, the phrase “and wire brushes for loose or cracked wires” is omitted.

- The rated speed of the accessory must be at least equal to the maximum speed marked on the power tool. Accessories running faster than their rated speed can break and fly apart.**
- Be aware that wire bristles are thrown by the wire brush even during ordinary operation. Do not overstress the wires by applying excessive load to the wire brush. The wire bristles can easily penetrate light clothing and/or skin.**

NOTE 2 The above safety warning applies only to tools intended to be used with wire brushes.

- Never grind on the sides of a grinding wheel. Grinding on the side can cause the wheel to break and fly apart.**
- Use only accessories that are specified for your power tool and the specific guard designed for the selected accessory. Accessories for which the power tool was not designed cannot be adequately guarded.**

8.14.2 a) Addition:

- 101) Information about details and type of the **accessory**(ies) recommended for each **tool spindle**, e.g. the maximum thickness of the **accessory** and the diameter of the hole in the **accessory**;
- 102) Instruction to use only **accessories** with a diameter according to the relevant marking as required by 8.3;
- 103) Instruction to ensure that the **bench grinder** is always stable and secure (e.g. fixed to a bench) and instruction how to fix the tool to a workbench or the like;
- 104) Instructions on the correct mounting of wheels and ensuring that wheels are free of defects before use, including instructions for performing a ring test for cracks.
- 105) Information about the correct **guard** to be used for each recommended **accessory**.

8.14.2 b) Addition:

- 101) Instruction to adjust the spark arrestor and the **work rest** frequently so as to compensate for wear of the wheel;
- 102) Instruction to keep the distance between the spark arrestor/**work rest** and the wheel as small as possible and in any case not greater than 2 mm;
- 103) Instruction to replace the worn wheel when these gaps are no longer able to be maintained;
- 104) For tools with two spindles: instruction to always use the tool with **accessories** on both spindles in order to limit the risk of contact with the rotating spindle;
- 105) Instruction to always use the **guard**, **work rest**, transparent screen and spark arrestor as required for the **accessory**(ies);
- 106) For tools with a vertically adjustable or inclinable **work rest**: instruction on how to properly adjust and secure the **work rest** angle in relation to the wheel;
- 107) Instructions on how to perform grinding functions safely;
- 108) Instruction to replace damaged or deeply grooved wheels;
- 109) Instruction where to lift and support the **bench grinder** during transportation;
- 110) Instruction to always adjust the **work rest** so that the angle between the **work rest** and the tangent of the **accessory** is always greater than 85°.

8.14.2 c) Addition:

- 101) Instructions for handling and storage of grinding wheels and wire brushes, if applicable.

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.

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.

18 Abnormal operation

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

18.5 Addition:

For **bench grinders** operated by three phase motors, the tests of 18.5.1 and 18.5.2 may be replaced by the test of 18.5.3.

18.5.3 Addition:

If the test of 18.5.3 is applied, the tool shall be tested for a period of 5 min.

18.8 Electronic circuits providing safety critical functions

Replacement of Table 4 by the following: