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Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

This Part 2-8 is to be used in conjunction with the first edition of IEC 62841-1 (2014).

This Part 2-8 supplements or modifies the corresponding clauses in IEC 62841-1, so as to convert it into the IEC Standard: Particular requirements for hand-held shears and nibblers.

Where a particular subclause of Part 1 is not mentioned in this Part 2-8, 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 2-8: Particular requirements for hand-held shears and nibblers

### 1 Scope

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

*Addition:*

This part of IEC 62841 applies to hand-held **shears** and **nibblers**.

### 2 Normative references

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

*Additional definitions:*

#### 3.101 shear

tool intended for shearing of metal sheets, plates and strips

#### 3.102 nibbler

tool intended for punching of metal sheets, plates and strips

### 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 a **shear** includes the shear blade.*

*The mass of a **nibbler** includes the die holder and the punch.*

### 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:

### 8.14.2 b) Addition:

101) Information on the maximum thickness of sheet metal(s) that can be cut.

## 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 Addition:

*The tool is operated continuously for a period of 30 min. The temperature rises are measured at the end of the 30 min.*

## 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.

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## 17 Endurance

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 18 Abnormal operation

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

### 18.8 Replacement of Table 4:

**Table 4 – Required performance levels**

Type and purpose of SCF	Minimum Performance Level (PL)
<b>Power switch</b> – prevent unwanted switch-on	a
<b>Power switch</b> – provide desired switch-off	a
Any electronic control to pass the test of 18.3	Not an <b>SCF</b>
Any speed limiting device	Not an <b>SCF</b>
Prevent exceeding thermal limits as in Clause 18	a

## 19 Mechanical hazards

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

### 19.1 Replacement of the first paragraph: 62841-2-8:2016

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Moving and other dangerous parts of the tool other than the working element shall be so positioned or enclosed to provide adequate protection against personal injury.

19.6 This subclause is not applicable.

## 20 Mechanical strength

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

20.5 This subclause is not applicable.

## 21 Construction

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

### 21.18.1 Addition:

For **shears** and **nibblers**, **power switches** other than **momentary power switches** are permitted.

21.30 This subclause is not applicable.

21.35 This subclause is not applicable.

## 22 Internal wiring

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 23 Components

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 24 Supply connection and external flexible cords

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

### 24.4 *Replacement of the first paragraph:*

**Supply cords** shall be not lighter than heavy polychloroprene sheathed flexible cable (60245 IEC 66).

## 25 Terminals for external conductors

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 26 Provision for earthing

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This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

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## 27 Screws and connections

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This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## 28 Creepage distances, clearances and distances through insulation

This clause of Part 1 is applicable.

## Annexes

The annexes of Part 1 are applicable except as follows.

### Annex I (informative)

#### Measurement of noise and vibration emissions

NOTE In Europe (EN 62841-2-8), Annex I is normative.

#### I.2 Noise test code (grade 2)

This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

##### I.2.4 Installation and mounting conditions of the power tools during noise tests

*Addition:*

**Shears** are suspended, the orientation of the tool to be as for cutting a horizontal sheet of metal.

**Nibblers** are held and used as specified in I.2.5.

##### I.2.5 Operating conditions (standards.iteh.ai)

*Addition:*

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**Shears** are tested at no-load.

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NOTE The operating conditions of Table I.101 for **shears** only apply for vibration testing.

**Nibblers** are tested under load observing the conditions specified in Table I.101.

The temperature requirements of 5.6 are not applicable.

**Table I.101 – Operating conditions for shears and nibblers**

<b>Orientation</b>	<p>Cutting a horizontal strip of sheet metal with a tensile strength of approximately 390 N/mm<sup>2</sup>, a minimum length of 400 mm and a minimum width of 400 mm.</p> <p>The metal sheet shall have the maximum thickness specified in 8.14.2 b) 101).</p> <p>The metal sheet used in the test shall be firmly secured to a test bench using resilient material. It shall be mounted so that it does not have any significant resonance in the frequency range that can influence the test result. A typical test bench is shown in Figure I.102.</p> <p>Each cut strip of 50 mm wide for the width of 400 mm shall be as near as possible to the support.</p> <p>During the test, the tool shall be arranged so that the operator can have an upright or almost upright posture and work the <b>nibbler</b> or <b>shear</b> cutting horizontally. The operator shall be able to hold the tool comfortably during the test.</p>
<b>Tool bit</b>	<p><b>Nibblers</b> are operated with a punch and die of the size specified for the sheet metal used in the test.</p> <p><b>Shears</b> are operated with shear blades of the size specified for the sheet metal used in the test. They shall be sharp and in good condition.</p>
<b>Feed force</b>	Suitable feed force shall be applied to ensure a stable and smooth operation.
<b>Test cycle</b>	<p>Cutting off one 50 mm wide strip across the 400 mm width of the sheet metal.</p> <p>The measurement starts when the blade enters the sheet metal and stops when the blade leaves the sheet metal.</p>

**I.3 Vibration**

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This clause of Part 1 is applicable except as follows:

**I.3.3.2 Location of measurement** [IEC 62841-2-8:2016](#)

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Figure I.101 shows the positions for different **shears** and **nibblers**.

**I.3.5.3 Operating conditions**

*Addition:*

**Shears** and **nibblers** are tested under load observing the conditions shown in Table I.101.

**I.3.6.2 Declaration of the vibration total value**

*Addition:*

The vibration total value  $a_h$  of the handle with the highest emission and the uncertainty  $K$  shall be declared.