
**Earth-moving machinery —
Determination of average ground contact
pressure for crawler machines**

*Engins de terrassement — Détermination de la pression moyenne de
contact au sol des engins à chenilles*

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a uniform method for calculating the average ground contact pressure of self-propelled and towed crawler (track-laying) earth-moving machines, as defined in ISO 6165, on soft surfaces with empty equipment or attachment.

The average ground contact pressure value is used only for comparing different machine models. Actual ground contact pressure values under operating conditions will vary depending on load, position of the centre of gravity, terrain, track shoe type and size, and surface conditions.

NOTE 1 Alternative methods for determining ground contact pressure could apply to some specific machine families.

NOTE 2 The calculation makes allowance for some penetration into the supporting soil surface and the resulting increase in support area.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 6165:2006, *Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Identification and terms and definitions*

ISO 6746-1:2003, *Earth-moving machinery — Definitions of dimensions and codes — Part 1: Base machine*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 6746-1 and the following apply.

3.1

operating mass

OM

mass of the base machine, with equipment and empty attachment in the most usual configuration as specified by the manufacturer, and with the operator (75 kg), full fuel tank and all fluid systems (i.e. hydraulic oil, transmission oil, engine oil, engine coolant) at the levels specified by the manufacturer and, when applicable, with sprinkler water tank(s) half-full

NOTE 1 The mass of an operator is not included for non-riding machines.

NOTE 2 Ballast mass included at delivery can be included if specified by the manufacturer.

NOTE 3 The operating mass is expressed in kilograms.

[ISO 6016]

3.2 overall crawler length

L_6
distance on X coordinate between two X planes passing through the farthest points on the ground-supported portion of the track undercarriage

See Figure 1.

NOTE 1 It is expressed in millimetres.

NOTE 2 L_6 can also be determined according to 4.3.

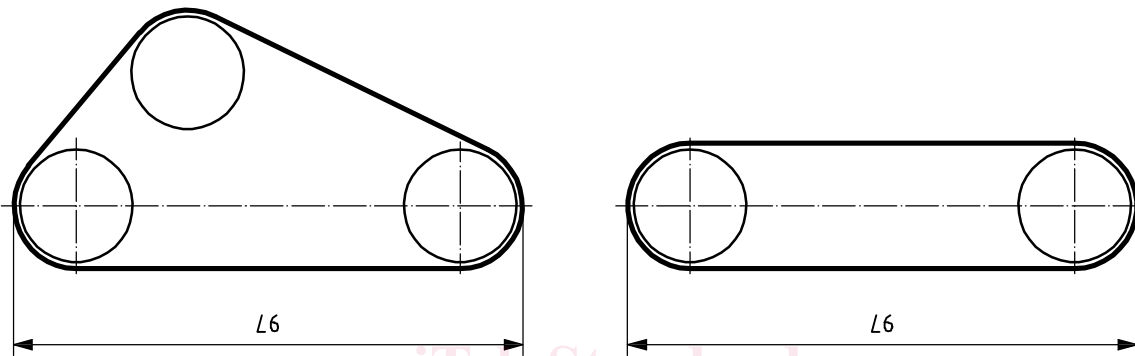


Figure 1 — Overall crawler length

3.3 crawler base

L_2
distance on X coordinate between two X planes passing through the front idler axis and the sprocket (or rear idler) axis

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[ISO 6746-1]

See Figure 2.

NOTE It is expressed in millimetres.

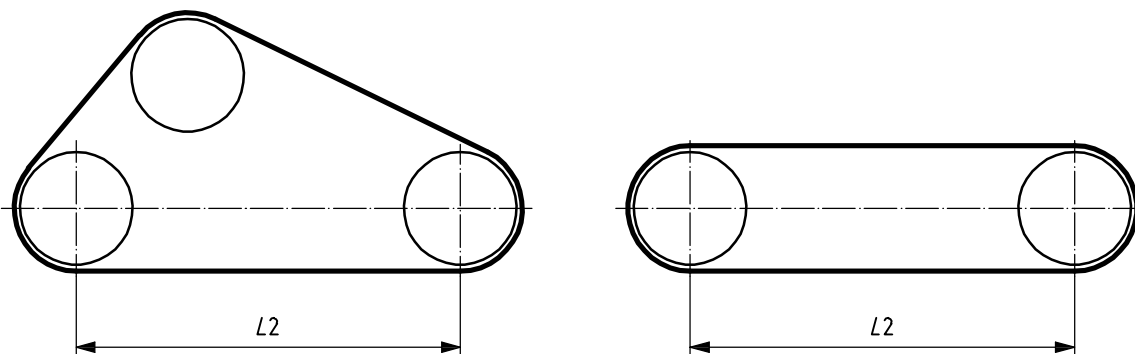


Figure 2 — Crawler base