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Foreword

This document (EN 13906-3:2014) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 407 "Project Committee - Cylindrical helical springs made from round wire and bar - Calculation and design", the secretariat of which is held by AFNOR.

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This European Standard constitutes a revision of EN 13906-3:2001 for which it has been technically reviewed. The main modifications are listed below:

- updating of the normative references;
- technical corrections.

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- *Part 1: Compression springs*, [SIST EN 13906-3:2014](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/f4795ce0-960e-4bd5-87e2-70cca8b02135/sist-en-13906-3-2014)
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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the calculation and design of cold and hot coiled cylindrical helical torsion springs with a linear characteristic, made from round wire and bar of constant diameter with values according to Table 1.

Table 1

Characteristic	Cold coiled torsion spring	Hot coiled torsion spring ^a
Wire or bar diameter	$d \leq 20$ mm	$d \geq 10$ mm
Number of active coils	$n \geq 2$	$n \geq 2$
Spring index	$4 \leq w \leq 20$	$4 \leq w \leq 12$

^a The user of this European Standard shall pay attention to the design of hot coiled springs, because there can be differences between the design and a real test.

2 Normative references

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

EN 10089, *Hot-rolled steels for quenched and tempered springs - Technical delivery conditions*

EN 10270-1, *Steel wire for mechanical springs - Part 1: Patented cold drawn unalloyed spring steel wire*

EN 10270-2, *Steel wire for mechanical springs - Part 2: Oil hardened and tempered spring steel wire*

EN 10270-3, *Steel wire for mechanical springs - Part 3: Stainless spring steel wire*

EN 12166, *Copper and copper alloys - Wire for general purposes*

EN ISO 26909:2010, *Springs - Vocabulary (ISO 26909:2009)*

ISO 26910-1, *Springs - Shot peening - Part 1: General procedures*

3 Terms and definitions, symbols, units and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 26909:2010 and the following apply.

3.1.1

spring

mechanical device designed to store energy when deflected and to return the equivalent amount of energy when released

[SOURCE: EN ISO 26909:2010, 1.1]

3.1.2

torsion spring

spring that offers resistance to a twisting moment around the longitudinal axis of the spring

[SOURCE: EN ISO 26909:2010, 1.4]

3.1.3

helical torsion spring

torsion spring normally made of wire of circular cross-section wound around an axis and with ends suitable for transmitting a twisting moment

[SOURCE: EN ISO 26909:2010, 3.14]

3.2 Symbols, units and abbreviated terms

Table 2 contains the symbols, units and abbreviated terms used in this standard.

Table 2

Symbols	Units	Terms
A_D	mm	coil diameter tolerance of the unloaded spring
a	mm	gap between active coils of the unloaded spring
$D = \frac{D_e + D_i}{2}$	mm	mean diameter of coil
D_d	mm	mandrel diameter
D_e	mm	outside diameter of the spring
$D_{e\alpha}$	mm	outside coil diameter of the spring when deflected through and angle α in the direction of the coiling
D_h	mm	housing diameter
D_i	mm	inside diameter of the spring
$D_{i\alpha}$	mm	inside coil diameter of the spring when deflected through and angle α in the direction of the coiling
D_p	mm	test mandrel diameter
d	mm	nominal diameter of wire (or bar)
d_{\max}	mm	upper deviation of d
d_R	mm	diameter of loading pins
E	N/mm ² (MPa)	modulus of elasticity (or Young's modulus)
F	N	spring force
$F_1, F_2 \dots$	N	spring forces for the torsional angles $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \dots$ and related lever arms R_A, R_B at ambient temperature of 20 °C
F_n	N	spring force for the maximum permissible angle α_n and the lever arms R_A, R_B
L_K	mm	body length of the unloaded spring for close-coiled springs (excluding ends)
L_{K0}	mm	body length of the unloaded spring for open-coiled springs (excluding ends)
$L_{K\alpha}$	mm	body length of close-coiled spring deflected through an angle α (excluding ends)
l	mm	developed length of active coils (excluding ends)
l_A, l_B	mm	length of ends
M	N mm	spring torque

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Symbols	Units	Terms
$M_1, M_2 \dots$	N mm	spring torque for the angles $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \dots$ and related lever arms R_A, R_B at ambient temperature of 20 °C
M_n	N mm	spring torque for the maximum permissible angle, α_n
M_{\max}	N mm	maximum spring torque, which occurs occasionally in practice, in test or during assembly of the spring
N	-	number of cycles up to rupture
n	-	number of active coils
q	-	stress correction factor (depending on D/d)
R, R_A, R_B	mm	effective lever arms of spring
R_m	N/mm ² (MPa)	minimum value of the tensile strength
R_{MR}	Nmm/ Deg	angular spring rate (increase of spring torque per unit angular deflection)
$r, r_A, r_B \dots r_n$	mm	inner bending radii
\bar{W}	mm ³	sectional moment
W	N mm	spring work
$w = \frac{D}{d}$	-	spring index
z	-	decimal values of the number of active coils n
α	Deg	torsional angle
$\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \dots$	Deg	torsional angle corresponding to spring torque $M_1, M_2 \dots$ to the spring forces $F_1, F_2 \dots$
α_n	Deg	maximum permissible torsional angle
α'	Deg	corrected torsional angle α in the case of a long, unclamped radial end
α''	Deg	corrected torsional angle α in the case of a long, unclamped tangential end
α_h	Deg	angular deflection of spring (stroke) between two positions α_1 and α_2
α_{\max}	Deg	maximum torsional angle which occurs occasionally in practice, in test or by mounting of the spring
β	Deg	increase of torsional angle α due to deflection of a long, unclamped radial end
β'	Deg	increase of torsional angle α due to deflection of a long, unclamped tangential end
γ	Deg	angle of tangential legs of unloaded spring
δ_0	Deg	angle of active coils of unloaded spring
ε_0	Deg	relative end fixing angle for unloaded spring
$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \dots \varepsilon_n$	Deg	relative end fixing angle, corresponding to torsional angles $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_n$
ρ	kg/dm ³	density
σ	N/mm ² (MPa)	uncorrected bending stress (without the influence of the wire curvature being taken into account)
$\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \dots$	N/mm ² (MPa)	uncorrected bending stress for the spring torques M_1, M_2

Symbols	Units	Terms
σ_n	N/mm ² (MPa)	uncorrected bending stress for the spring torque M_n
σ_q	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected bending stress (according to the correction factor q)
$\sigma_{q1}, \sigma_{q2} \dots$	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected bending stress for the spring torque's $M_1, M_2 \dots$
σ_{qh}	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected bending stress for the stroke α_h
σ_{qH}	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected bending stress range in fatigue strength diagram
σ_{qO}	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected maximum bending stress in the fatigue strength diagram
σ_{qU}	N/mm ² (MPa)	corrected minimum bending stress in the fatigue strength diagram
σ_{zul}	N/mm ² (MPa)	permissible bending stress
$\varphi_A, \varphi_B, \varphi_C$	Deg	bending angle of the end

4 Theoretical torsion spring diagram

The illustration of the torsion spring corresponds to EN ISO 2162-1:1996, Figure 6.1. The theoretical torsion spring diagrams are given in Figure 1.

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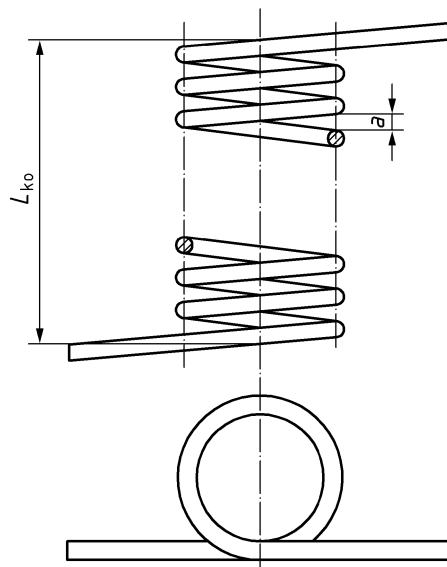


Figure 2 — Open coiled torsion spring

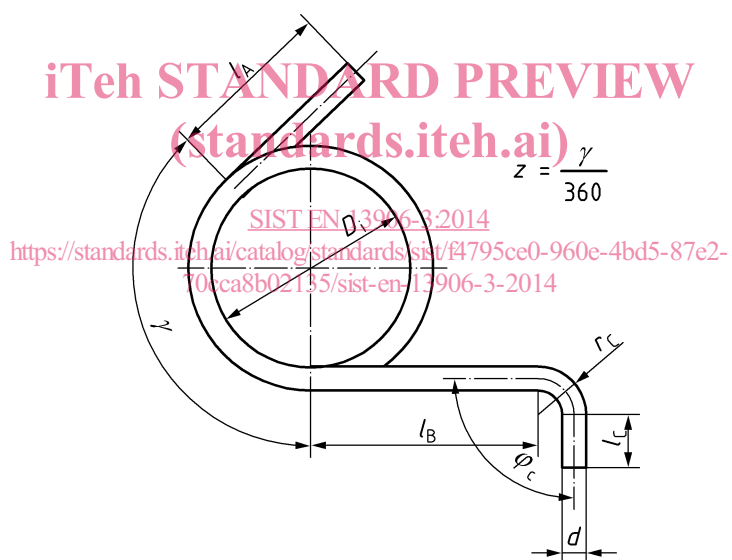


Figure 3 — Torsion spring with tangential ends