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## Foreword

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## 1 Scope

This International Standard concerns pin-index yoke-type valve connections for small medical gas cylinders, with a maximum working pressure (filling pressure at 15 °C) of 200 bar. This type of connection is typically used for small cylinders (5 l or below). In some cases, it may be used for larger cylinders. In this latter case, consideration shall be given to the need for valve protection.

It specifies:

- basic dimensions;
- requirements for alternative designs of the yoke-type valve connections;
- dimensions and positions for the holes and pins for the outlet connections.

It also specifies the dimensions and positions for the holes and pins for the outlet connections for the gases and gas mixtures given in Table 1.

This International Standard applies to small medical gas cylinders used for patient care, including therapeutic, diagnostic and prophylactic applications, in hospitals and for emergency treatment.

## 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 32:1977, *Gas cylinders for medical use — Marking for identification of content*

## 3 Valve

Each small medical gas cylinder can be fitted with a yoke valve (see Clause 5). The yoke valve shall have location holes of the dimensions and in the positions indicated in Clause 7 for the appropriate gas or gas mixture.

The name or chemical symbol of the gas or gas mixture shall be clearly and indelibly stamped on the valve.

Table 1 — Allocated gases and gas mixtures

| Gas or gas mixture  | Chemical symbol                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Oxygen  | O <sub>2</sub>                    |
| Oxygen/carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ≤ 7 %)   | O <sub>2</sub> + CO <sub>2</sub>  |
| Oxygen/helium (He ≤ 80 %)   | O <sub>2</sub> + He               |
| Ethylene  | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>     |
| Nitrous oxide (with and without draw-off)   | N <sub>2</sub> O                  |
| Cyclopropane  | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>     |
| Helium and helium/oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> < 20 %)  | He                                |
| Carbon dioxide (with and without draw-off) and carbon dioxide/oxygen CO <sub>2</sub> > 7 %) | CO <sub>2</sub>                   |
| Medical air   | Air                               |
| Nominal mixture 50 % oxygen/50 % nitrous oxide (47,5 % < N <sub>2</sub> O < 52,5 %)         | O <sub>2</sub> + N <sub>2</sub> O |
| Nitrogen  | N <sub>2</sub>                    |
| Mixture of air, helium and carbon monoxide (CO < 1 %)                                       | Air + He + CO                     |

## 4 Yoke

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The connecting yoke shall conform to the requirements and dimensions given in Clauses 5 and 6. The yoke shall be fitted with pins, the dimensions and the positions of which correspond to the holes in the valve as indicated in Clause 7 for the appropriate gas or gas mixture.

The name or chemical symbol of the gas or gas mixture shall be clearly and indelibly stamped on the yoke. If an identification colour is used, it shall be in conformity with ISO 32.

Examples of the alternative designs for the connecting yoke are given in 6.2.

In Figures 3 and 4, the circled numbers and letters are the pin-hole positions.

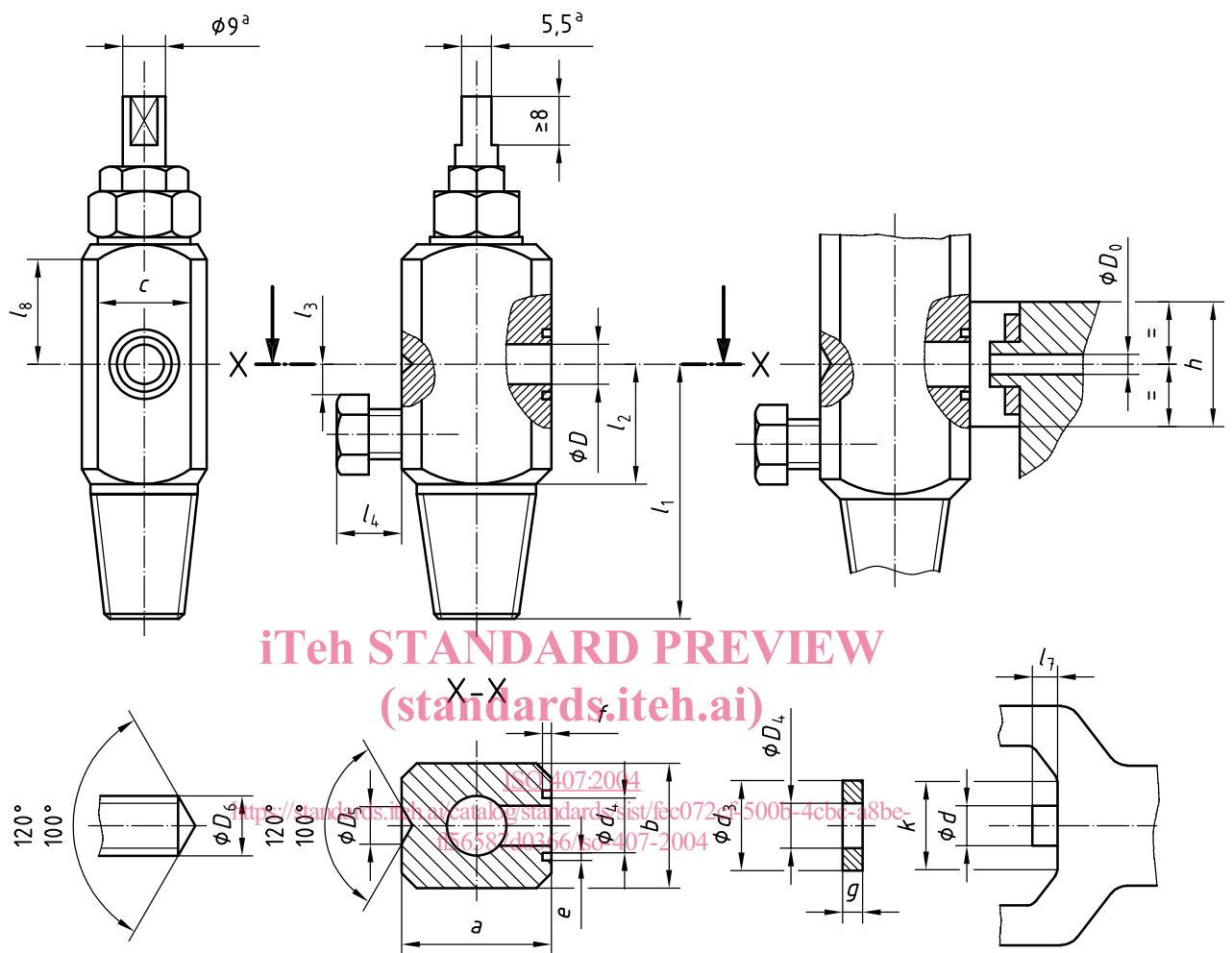
## 5 Basic dimensions

### 5.1 General

The basic dimensions for pin-index yoke-type valve connections are shown in Figures 1 to 4, and are listed in Table 2.

## 5.2 Pin-index yoke-type valve body

Dimensions in millimetres



<sup>a</sup> Applicable only to single-key valves.

**Figure 1 — Pin-index yoke-type valve body**

### 5.3 Single-pin yoke-type valve connection system

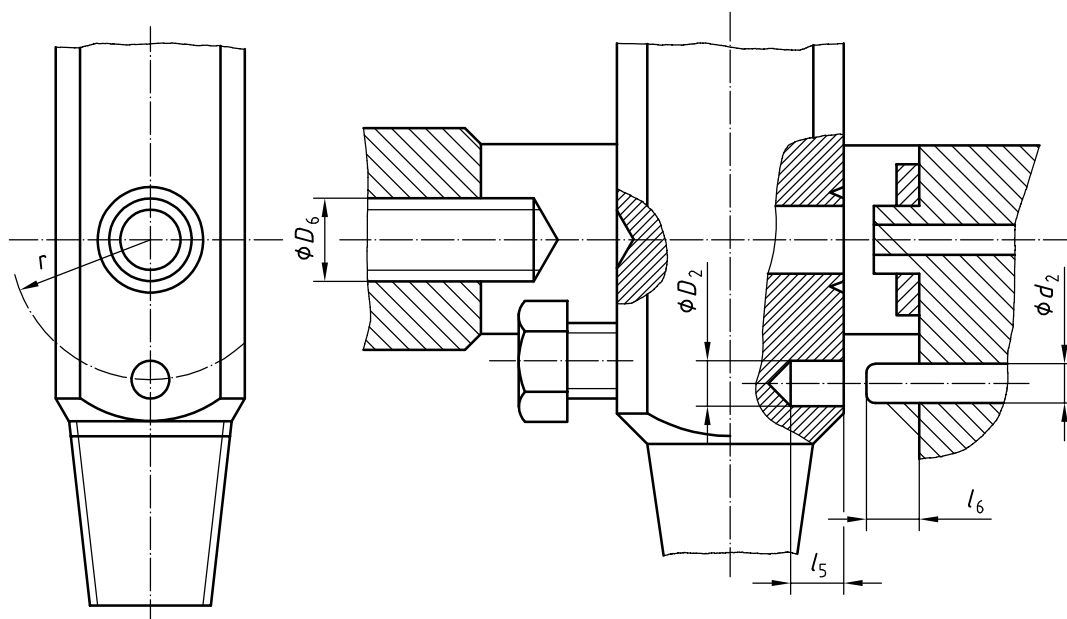


Figure 2 — Single-pin yoke-type valve connection system

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### 5.4 Two-pin yoke-type valve connection system with the pins in a single row

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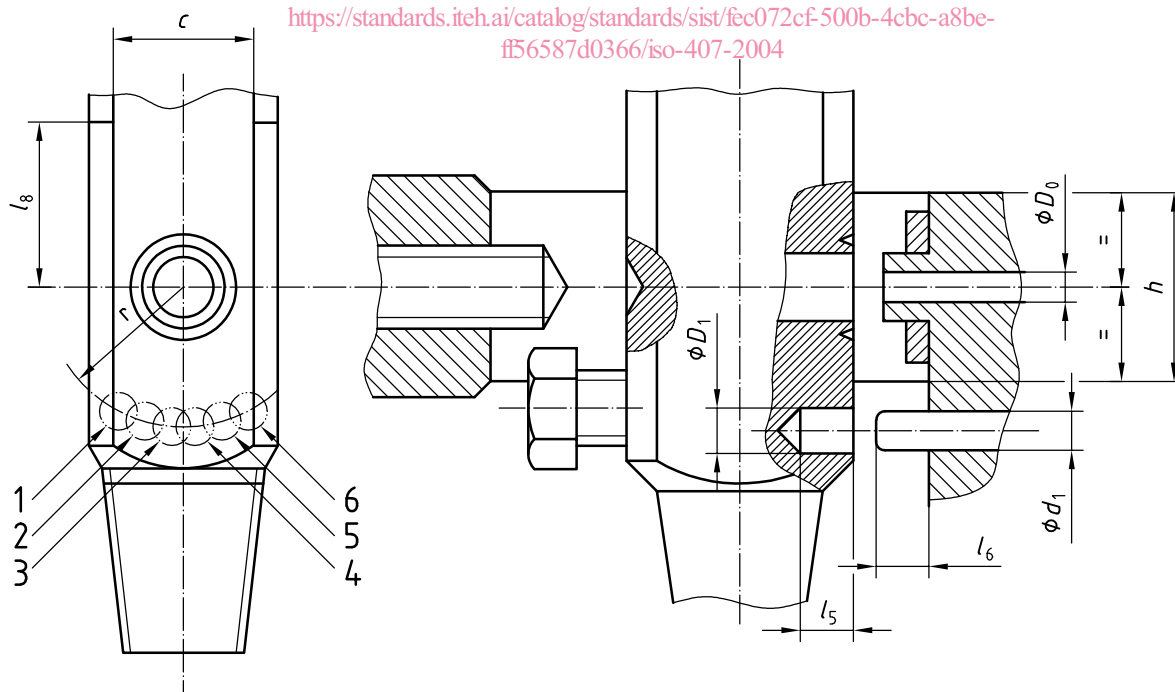


Figure 3 — Two-pin yoke-type valve connection system with the pins in a single row



### 5.5 Two-pin yoke-type valve connection system with the pins in a double row

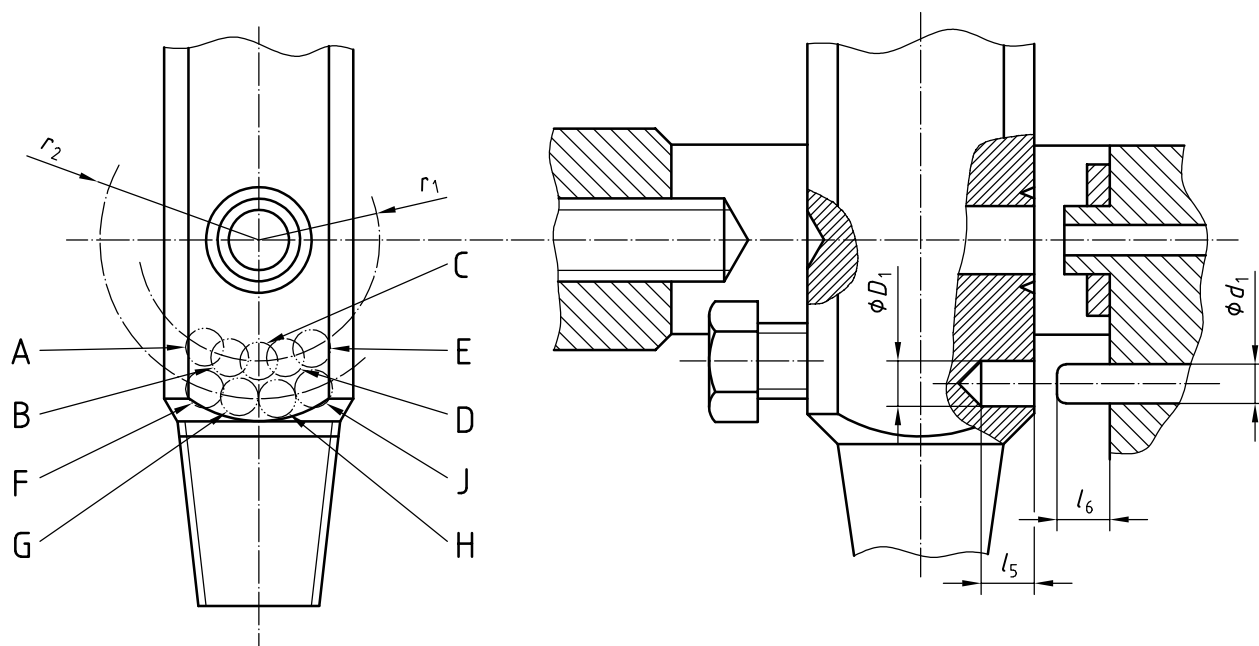


Figure 4 — Two-pin yoke-type valve connection system with the pins in a double row

### 5.6 Basic dimensions

See Table 2.

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Table 2 — Basic dimensions for pin-index yoke-type valve connections

| Dimension | mm                 | Dimension | mm               |
|-----------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| $a$       | $25^{+0,8}_{-0,2}$ | $e$       | 0,8 max          |
| $b$       | $22,2^{+0,4}_{-0}$ | $f$       | 0,8 max          |
| $c$       | 16 min             | $g$       | $1,6 \pm 0,4$    |
| $D$       | $7^{+0,2}_{-0}$    | $h^a$     | $20 \pm 0,5$     |
| $D_0$     | $2,4 \pm 0,8$      | $k$       | 16,5 min         |
| $D_1$     | $4,75^{+0,1}_{-0}$ | $l_1$     | 44,5 min         |
| $D_2$     | 5,8 to 5,9         | $l_2$     | 22 min           |
| $D_4$     | $6,3^{0}_{-0,2}$   | $l_3^b$   | 8 min            |
| $D_5$     | $6^{0}_{-0,5}$     | $l_4^b$   | 9,6 max          |
| $D_6^c$   | 7 min              | $l_5$     | $5,5^{+0,5}_{0}$ |
| $d$       | $6,5^{0}_{-0,2}$   | $l_6$     | $5,5^{0}_{-0,5}$ |
| $d_1$     | $4 \pm 0,1$        | $l_7$     | 3 to 3,6         |
| $d_2$     | $5,4^{0}_{-0,1}$   | $l_8^d$   | 15 min           |
| $d_3$     | $16 \pm 0,5$       | $r$       | 14,3 nom.        |
| $d_4$     | $9 \pm 0,2$        |           | 12 nom.          |
|           |                    | $r_2$     | 17,5 nom.        |

<sup>a</sup> Dimensions  $h$  and  $q$ ,  $q_1$  (see Clause 6). As an alternative, these dimensions may be given in order to satisfy the requirements of 6.1 g).

<sup>b</sup> Applicable only if a projecting-type safety plug is used.

<sup>c</sup> Dimension  $D_6$  is the dimension at the top of the cone.

<sup>d</sup> This dimension is very important.

## 6 Requirements for alternative designs of yoke-type valve connections

### 6.1 Requirements for the design of the connecting yoke

The design of the connecting yoke shall meet the following requirements.

- A gas-tight seal shall only be possible when the pins in the yoke correspond to the holes in the valve;
- when the pins in the yoke do not correspond to the holes in the valve, a gas-tight seal shall not be possible and damage to the yoke or the valve shall be prevented;
- pins shall be fixed or assembled in such a manner that they cannot be removed by the user or become loose in service;
- the sealing washer shall be a retained fit on the yoke spigot;

- e) the use of more than one sealing washer is not permitted;
- f) the yoke shall be able to resist, without permanent deformation, the load resulting from a torque of 50 N·m applied to the valve clamping screw or locking device;
- g) the dimensions of the yoke shall limit the movement of the valve in the yoke to a maximum of 6° about the long axis prior to pin engagement.

## 6.2 Examples of alternative construction for the connecting yoke

Three alternative designs of pin-index yoke-type connections are shown in Figures 5 to 7.

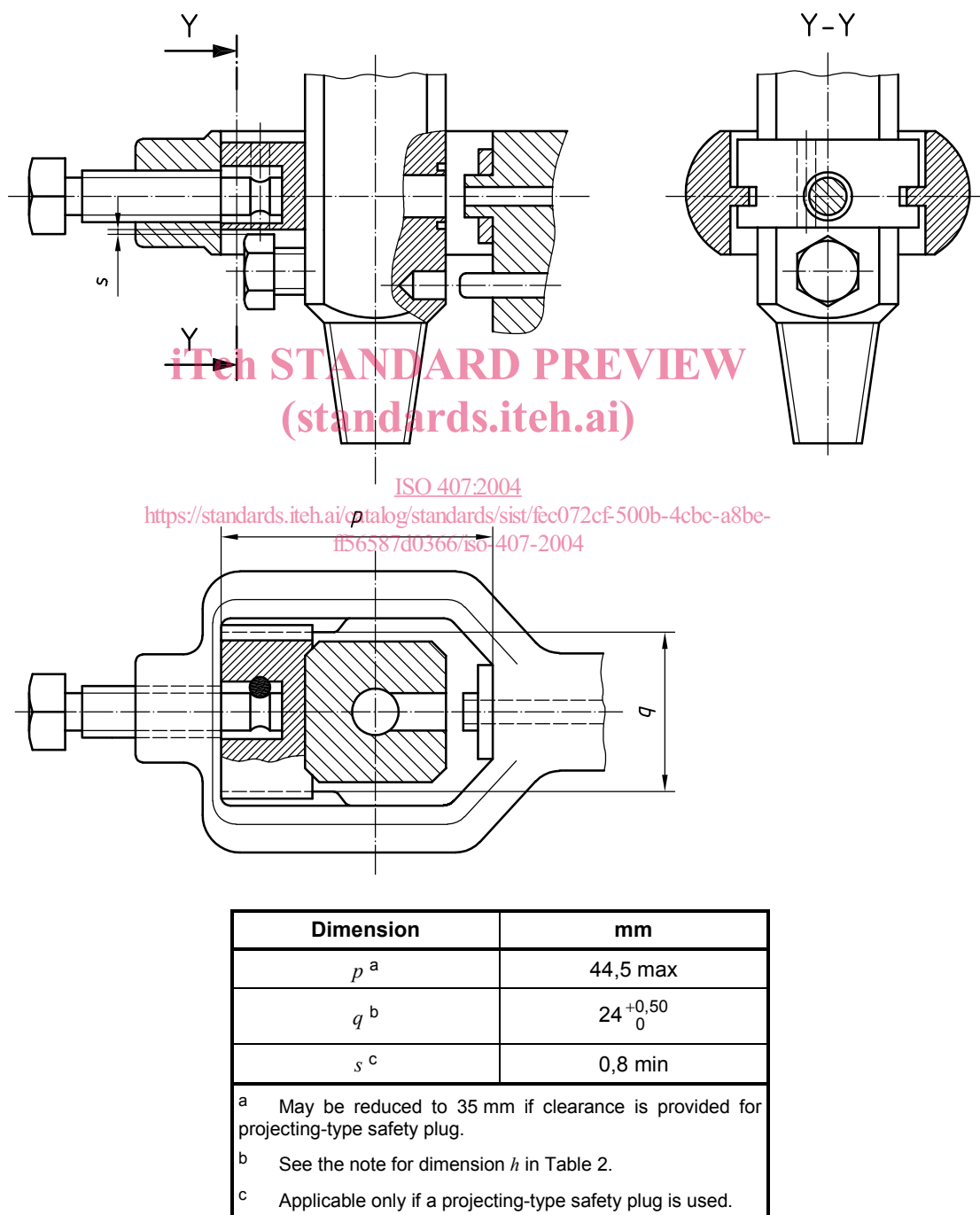
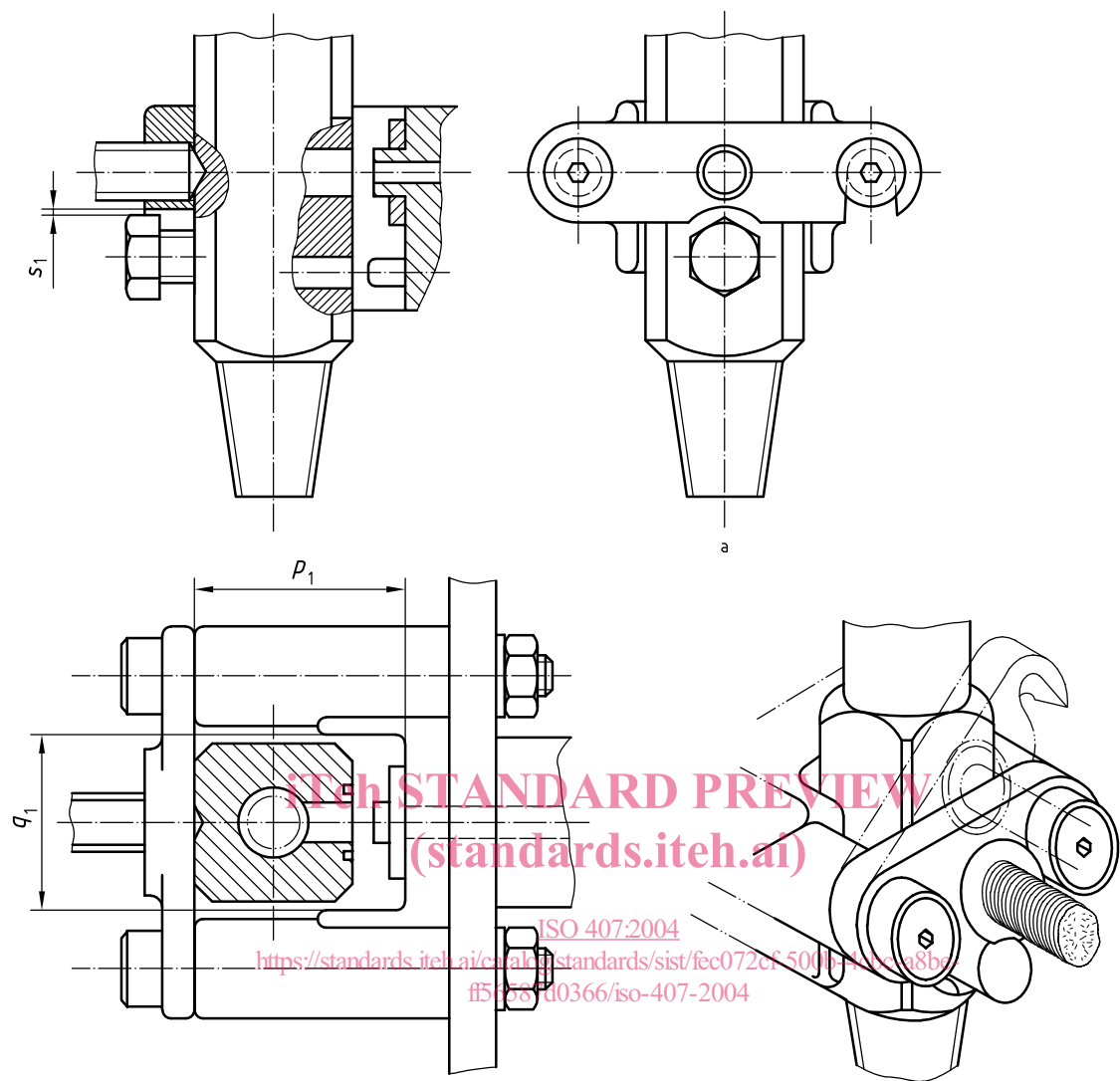


Figure 5 — First alternative



| Dimension  | mm             |
|--|----------------|
| $p_1$  | 30,2 max       |
| $q_1^a$  | $24^{+0,50}_0$ |
| $s_1^b$  | 0,8 min        |
| <sup>a</sup> See the note for dimension $h$ in Table 2.                |                |
| <sup>b</sup> Applicable only if a projecting-type safety plug is used. |                |

<sup>a</sup> View with clamping screw removed.

Figure 6 — Second alternative