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methods for evaluation of vibration  
emission —**

Part 3:

**Polishers and rotary, orbital and random  
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## Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

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ISO 28927-3 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 118, *Compressors and pneumatic tools, machines and equipment*, Subcommittee SC 3, *Pneumatic tools and machines*.

This first edition of ISO 28927-3 cancels and replaces ISO 8662-8:1997, of which it constitutes a technical revision. The most important changes are [standards.iteh.ai](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/26a803c2-cf63-41de-9d04-b44b2b756b99/iso-28927-3-2009)

- vibration measurement in three axes and at both hand positions,
- new transducer positions, and
- improved definition of transducer positions and orientation.

ISO 28927 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Hand-held portable power tools — Test methods for evaluation of vibration emission*:

- *Part 1: Angle and vertical grinders*<sup>1)</sup>
- *Part 2: Wrenches, nutrunners and screwdrivers*<sup>2)</sup>
- *Part 3: Polishers and rotary, orbital and random orbital sanders*
- *Part 4: Straight grinders*<sup>3)</sup>

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1) Together with Part 4, replaces ISO 8662-4, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 4: Grinders*.

2) Replaces ISO 8662-7, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 7: Wrenches, screwdrivers and nut runners with impact, impulse or ratchet action*. All screwdrivers and nutrunners except for one-shot tools now covered.

3) Together with Part 1, replaces ISO 8662-4, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 4: Grinders*.

- Part 5: Drills and impact drills<sup>4)</sup>
- Part 6: Rammers<sup>5)</sup>
- Part 7: Nibblers and shears<sup>6)</sup>
- Part 8: Saws, polishing and filing machines with reciprocating action and small saws with oscillating or rotating action<sup>7)</sup>
- Part 9: Scaling hammers and needle scalers<sup>8)</sup>
- Part 10: Percussive drills, hammers and breakers<sup>9)</sup>
- Part 11: Stone hammers<sup>10)</sup>

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- 4) Replaces ISO 8662-6, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 6: Impact drills*. Non-impacting drills now covered.
- 5) Replaces ISO 8662-9, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 9: Rammers*.
- 6) Replaces ISO 8662-10, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 10: Nibblers and shears*.
- 7) Replaces ISO 8662-12, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 12: Saws and files with reciprocating action and saws with oscillating or rotating action*.
- 8) Together with Part 11, replaces ISO 8662-14, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 14: Stone-working tools and needle scalers*.
- 9) Replaces ISO 8662-2, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 2: Chipping hammers and riveting hammers*, ISO 8662-3, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 3: Rock drills and rotary hammers*, and ISO 8662-5, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 5: Pavement breakers and hammers for construction work*. Chipping and riveting hammers, rock drills and rotary hammers all covered.
- 10) Together with Part 9, replaces ISO 8662-14, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 14: Stone-working tools and needle scalers*.

## Introduction

This document is a type-C standard as stated in ISO 12100.

When requirements of this type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or -B standards, the requirements of this type-C standard take precedence over the requirements of the other standards for machines that have been designed and built according to the requirements of this type-C standard.

The vibration test codes for portable hand-held machines given in ISO 28927 are based on ISO 20643, which gives general specifications for the measurement of the vibration emission of hand-held and hand-guided machinery. ISO 28927 specifies the operation of the machines under type-test conditions and other requirements for the performance of type tests. The structure/numbering of its clauses follows that of ISO 20643.

The basic principle for transducer positioning first introduced in the EN 60745 series of European standards is followed, representing a deviation from ISO 20643 for reasons of consistency. The transducers are primarily positioned next to the hand in the area between the thumb and the index finger, where they give the least disturbance to the operator gripping the machine.

It has been found that vibrations generated by polishers and all types of sanders vary considerably in typical use. The variation is largely due to variations in the unbalance of the sanding or polishing pad and to differences in the contact between the inserted tool and the surface of the work piece. Orbital and random orbital sanders are sensitive to changes in the weight of the sanding pad because the weight is counterbalanced by counterbalance weights in the machine. The vibration value also depends to a large extent on the skill of the operator.

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This part of ISO 28927 uses a real working process for the test. In order to provide a method that gives good measurement reproducibility, the procedure — chosen to give vibration values as far as possible in accordance with ISO 20643 — is described in detail and it is essential that it be followed exactly. The procedures of ISO 5349 are required whenever exposure at the workplace is to be assessed.

The values obtained are type-test values intended to be representative of the average of the upper quartile of typical vibration magnitudes in real-world use of the machines. However, the actual magnitudes will vary considerably from time to time and depend on many factors, including the operator, the task and the inserted tool or consumable. The state of maintenance of the machine itself might also be of importance. Under real working conditions the influences of the operator and process can be particularly important at low magnitudes. It is therefore not recommended that emission values below 2,5 m/s<sup>2</sup> be used for estimating as estimates of the vibration magnitude under real working conditions. In such cases, 2,5 m/s<sup>2</sup> is the recommended vibration magnitude for estimating the machine vibration.

If accurate values for a specific work place are required, then measurements (according to ISO 5349) in that work situation could be necessary. Vibration values measured in real working conditions can be either higher or lower than the values obtained using this part of ISO 28927.

Higher vibration magnitudes can easily occur in real work situations, caused by the use of excessively unbalanced inserted tools, sanding pads with the wrong weight, worn backing pads or bent spindles.

The vibration test codes given in ISO 28927 supersede those given in ISO 8662, whose parts have been replaced by the corresponding parts of ISO 28927 (see Foreword).

NOTE ISO 8662-11, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 11: Fastener driving tools*, and ISO 8662-13, *Hand-held portable power tools — Measurement of vibrations at the handle — Part 13: Die grinders*, could be replaced by future parts of ISO 28927.

# Hand-held portable power tools — Test methods for evaluation of vibration emission —

## Part 3: Polishers and rotary, orbital and random orbital sanders

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 28927 specifies a laboratory method for measuring hand-transmitted vibration emission at the handles of hand-held, power-driven, portable polishers and rotary, orbital and random orbital sanders used for surface-finishing processes, not for material removal. It is a type-test procedure for establishing the magnitude of vibration in the gripping areas of a machine when operating under type-test conditions. It is intended that the results be used to compare different models of the same type of machine.

This part of ISO 28927 is applicable to hand-held machines (see Clause 5), driven pneumatically or by other means. It is not applicable to straight grinders equipped with a sanding wheel or to belt sanders.

NOTE To avoid confusion with the terms "power tool" and "inserted tool", *machine* is used for the former throughout this document.

### 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 630:1995, *Structural steels — Plates, wide flats, bars, sections and profiles*

ISO 2787:1984, *Rotary and percussive pneumatic tools — Performance tests*

ISO 5349:2001 (all parts), *Mechanical vibration — Measurement and evaluation of human exposure to hand-transmitted vibration*

ISO 5391:2003, *Pneumatic tools and machines — Vocabulary*

ISO 17066:2007, *Hydraulic tools — Vocabulary*

ISO 20643:2005, *Mechanical vibration — Hand-held and hand-guided machinery — Principles for evaluation of vibration emission*

EN 12096:1997, *Mechanical vibration — Declaration and verification of vibration emission values*

### 3 Terms, definitions and symbols

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 5391, ISO 17066 and ISO 20643, and the following terms, definitions and symbols, apply.

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

#### 3.1.1

##### **polisher**

machine for polishing surfaces fitted with a flexible pad and a sheepskin or felt pad

NOTE Adapted from ISO 5391:2003, definition 2.1.4.6.

#### 3.1.2

##### **sander**

machine for sanding, equipped with a flexible pad fitted with a fibre disc or abrasive paper

NOTE Adapted from ISO 5391:2003, definition 2.1.4.

#### 3.1.3

##### **orbital sander**

sander driving a pad in an orbital motion

NOTE Adapted from ISO 5391:2003, definition 2.1.4.2.

#### 3.1.4

##### **palm sander**

##### **palm-type random orbital sander**

sander driving a pad with a random orbital motion or an orbital motion

#### 3.1.5

##### **random orbital sander**

sander driving a rotating round pad in an orbital motion, allowing free rotation

[ISO 5391:2003, definition 2.1.4.3]

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#### 3.1.6

##### **rotary sander**

sander driving a circular flexible pad in a simple rotating motion

[ISO 5391:2003, definition 2.1.4.1]

#### 3.1.7

##### **vertical rotary sander**

rotary sander with the motor straight in line with the spindle

#### 3.1.8

##### **angle rotary sander**

rotary sander with the motor at an angle to the spindle

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### 3.2 Symbols

Symbol	Description	Unit
$a_{hw}$	root-mean-square (r.m.s.) single-axis acceleration value of the frequency-weighted hand-transmitted vibration	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$a_{hv}$	vibration total value of frequency-weighted r.m.s. acceleration; root sum of squares of $a_{hw}$ values for the three measured axes of vibration	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$\overline{a_{hv}}$	arithmetic mean value of $a_{hv}$ values of runs for one operator for one hand position	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$a_h$	arithmetic mean value of $\overline{a_{hv}}$ values for all operators for one hand position	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$\overline{a_h}$	arithmetic mean value of $a_h$ values for one hand position on several machines	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$a_{hd}$	declared vibration emission value	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$s_{n-1}$	standard deviation for a test series (for a sample, $s$ )	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$\sigma_R$	standard deviation of reproducibility (for a population, $\sigma$ )	m/s <sup>2</sup>
$C_v$	coefficient of variation for a test series	
$K$	uncertainty	m/s <sup>2</sup>

## 4 Basic standards and vibration test codes

This part of ISO 28297 is based on the requirements of ISO 20643 and corresponds to its structure in respect of clause subjects and numbering except for the annexes.

Annex A presents a model test report and Annex B the means for determining the uncertainty,  $K$ .

## 5 Description of the family of machines

This part of ISO 29827 applies to hand-held machines intended for surface finishing but not for material removal.

Figures 1 to 9 show examples of typical polishers and sanders covered by this part of ISO 29827.

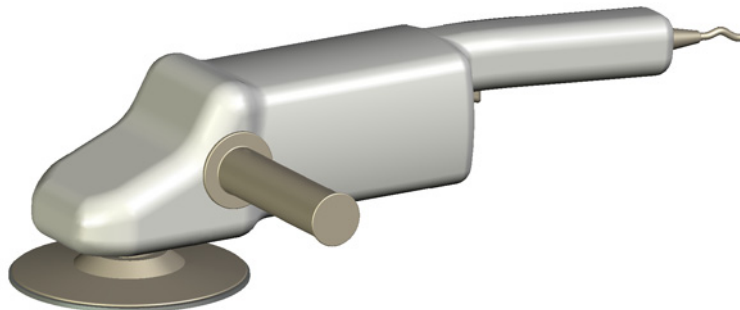


Figure 1 — Angle rotary sander/polisher with separate main handle

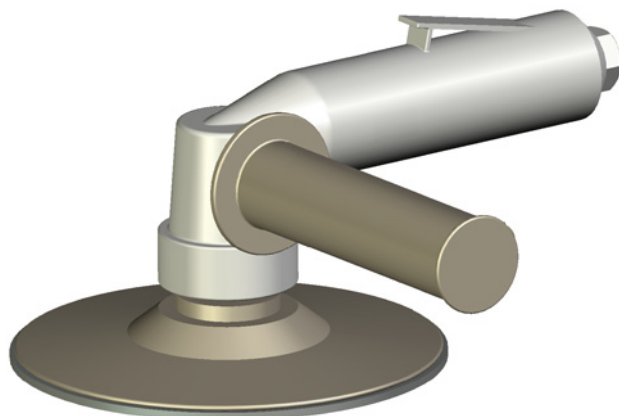


Figure 2 — Angle rotary sander/polisher where the motor serves as main handle

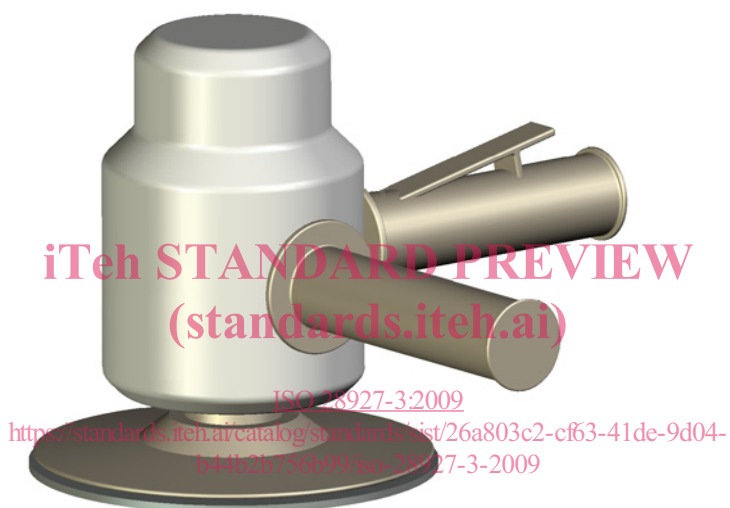


Figure 3 — Vertical sander/polisher

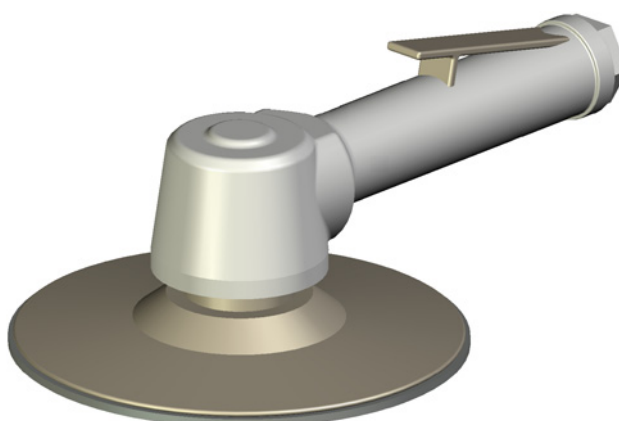


Figure 4 — Angle sander/polisher intended for one-handed operation



Figure 5 — Random orbital sander



Figure 6 — Palm sander

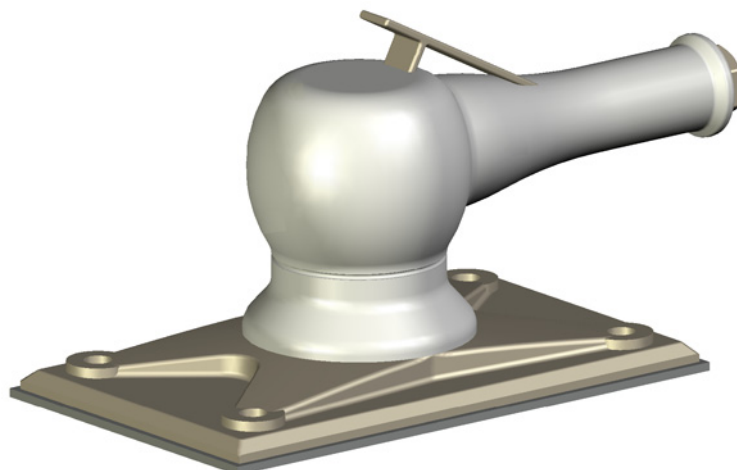


Figure 7 — Orbital sander with rectangular pad

## 6 Characterization of vibration

### 6.1 Direction of measurement

The vibration transmitted to the hand shall be measured and reported for three directions of an orthogonal coordinate system. At each hand position, the vibration shall be measured simultaneously in the three directions shown in Figures 8 to 14.

### 6.2 Location of measurements

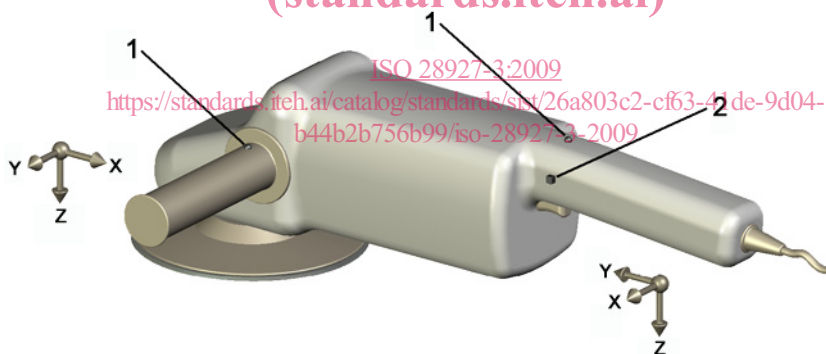
Measurements shall be made at the gripping zones, where the operator normally holds the machine and applies the feed force. For machines intended for one-handed operation, it is only necessary to measure at a single point.

The prescribed transducer location shall be as close as possible to the hand between the thumb and index finger. This shall apply to both hand positions, with the machine held as in normal operation. Whenever possible, measurements shall be made at the prescribed locations.

A secondary location is defined as being on the side of, and as close as possible to, the inner end of the handle where the prescribed location is found. If the prescribed location of the transducer cannot be used, this secondary location shall be used instead.

The prescribed or secondary location shall also be used on anti-vibration handles.

Figures 8 to 14 show the prescribed and secondary locations and measurement directions for the hand positions normally used for the different types of machines in this family.



#### Key

- 1 prescribed location
- 2 secondary location

**Figure 8 — Measurement locations — Angle rotary sander/polisher with separate main handle**