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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO/TR 19961:2005). Subclauses 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 have been removed and these sections are now covered under ISO 10972-2. The Bibliography has been updated.

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1 Scope

This Technical Report provides a guide to International Standards applicable to mobile cranes (crawler cranes, railway cranes, wheel-mounted cranes and any variations thereof that retain the same fundamental characteristics) and a summary of related provisions. Special adaptations of the general types of machine covered, where applicable, also fall within its scope.

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- “should” or “should not” for recommendations, indicating that among several possibilities one is recommended as particularly suitable, without mentioning or excluding others, or that a certain course of action is preferred but not necessarily required, or that (in the negative form) a certain possibility or course of action is deprecated but not prohibited, and
- “may” or “need not”, used to indicate a course of action permissible within the limits of the document.

2 Purpose

The purpose of this Technical Report is to

- a) identify the many International Standards relevant to mobile cranes and their safety (see Bibliography for a complete listing),
- b) summarize the content of those documents,
- c) promote mobile crane safety by the delineation of these standards, so that the incorporation of their provisions into the design and use of mobile cranes will guard against, and minimize, injury to workers and damage to equipment,
- d) facilitate the work of all those working in the field of mobile cranes (designers, supervisors and others either directly or indirectly responsible for the safe use and maintenance of the machines) with a need to consult the current standards relating to mobile cranes, and
- e) contribute to further international harmonization of mobile crane standards.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 4306-1 and ISO 4306-2 apply.

4 Construction and characteristics

4.1 Load rating

4.1.1 Crane stability (backward/forward)

ISO 4305 specifies the conditions to be taken into consideration when verifying the stability of a mobile crane by calculation, assuming that the crane is operating on a firm and level surface (up to 1 % gradient). It applies to mobile cranes defined in ISO 4306-2 mounted on wheels or crawlers with or without outriggers.

4.1.2 Crane structural competence

ISO 8686-1 establishes general methods for calculating loads and principles to be used to select load combinations for proofs of competence for the structural and mechanical components of cranes. Based on rigid-body kinetic analysis and elasto-static analysis, it expressly permits the use of more advanced methods (calculations or tests) to evaluate the effects of loads and load combinations, and the value of dynamic load factors, where it can be demonstrated that these provide at least equivalent levels of competence.

It provides the general form, content and ranges of parameter values for more specific standards to be developed for individual lifting appliance types.

It provides a framework for agreement on loads and load combinations between a designer or manufacturer and an appliance purchaser for those types of lifting appliances where specific standards do not exist.

ISO 8686-2 applies the principles set forth in ISO 8686-1 to mobile cranes, as defined in ISO 4306-2, and presents loads and load combinations appropriate for use in proof of competence calculations for the steel structures of mobile cranes. It applies to mobile cranes used for normal service and for duty cycle service.

ISO 11662 specifies a test method that provides a systematic, non-destructive procedure for determining the stresses induced in crane structures under specified conditions of static loading through the use of resistance type electronic strain gages and to specify appropriate acceptable criteria for specified loading conditions.

4.1.3 Wind load

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ISO 4302 relates to wind loads on cranes. It gives a simplified method of calculation and assumes that the wind can blow horizontally from any direction, that the wind blows at a constant velocity and that there is a static reaction to the loading it applies to the crane structure. It includes built-in allowances for the effects of gusting and for dynamic response.

4.1.4 Crane rating manuals

ISO 11661 specifies a standard presentation or format for mobile crane rated capacities on rated capacity charts. It applies to mobile cranes fitted with booms as defined in ISO 4306-2, when used in lifting mode.

4.2 Mechanisms

ISO 10972-2 establishes requirements specific to the mechanisms of mobile cranes, in addition to the general requirements for cranes given in ISO 10972-1.

These additional requirements concern:

- a) the arrangement, features and characteristics of the crane mechanisms, and
- b) the minimum requirements for certain mechanism components.