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**Part 4:  
Half keystone rings made of steel**

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## Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 6624-4:2003), which has been technically revised.

ISO 6624 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Internal combustion engines — Piston rings*:

- *Part 1: Keystone rings made of cast iron*
- *Part 2: Half keystone rings made of cast iron*
- *Part 3: Keystone rings made of steel*
- *Part 4: Half keystone rings made of steel*

## Introduction

ISO 6624 is one of a number of series of International Standards dealing with piston rings for reciprocating internal combustion engines. Others are ISO 6621,<sup>[2][3][4][5]</sup> ISO 6622,<sup>[6],[7]</sup> ISO 6623,<sup>[8]</sup> ISO 6625,<sup>[9]</sup> ISO 6626,<sup>[10][11][12]</sup> and ISO 6627.<sup>[13]</sup>

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# Internal combustion engines — Piston rings —

## Part 4: Half keystone rings made of steel

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 6624 specifies the essential dimensional features of half keystone rings made of steel, types HK, HKB and HKBA, having nominal diameters from 50 mm up to, and including, 160 mm, used in reciprocating internal combustion piston engines for road vehicles and other applications.

### 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.

ISO 6621-4, *Internal combustion engines — Piston rings — Part 4: General specifications*

### 3 Overview

The half keystone ring types are specified in [Tables 1 and 2](#) and [Figures 1, 2 and 3](#). Their common features and the dimensions of those features are specified in [Tables 3 to 6](#) and [Figures 4 to 10](#). [Table 7](#) gives the force factors for the different ring types, while [Table 8](#) gives the dimensions and forces of half keystone rings.

The common features and dimensional tables presented in this part of ISO 6624 constitute a broad range of variables and, in selecting a particular ring type, the designer shall bear in mind the conditions under which it will be required to operate.

It is also essential that the designer refer to the specifications and requirements of ISO 6621-3<sup>[4]</sup> and ISO 6621-4 before completing selection.

### 4 Ring types and designation examples

NOTE For the angle of half keystone rings, the same definition and measurement apply as for keystone rings (see ISO 6621-2).

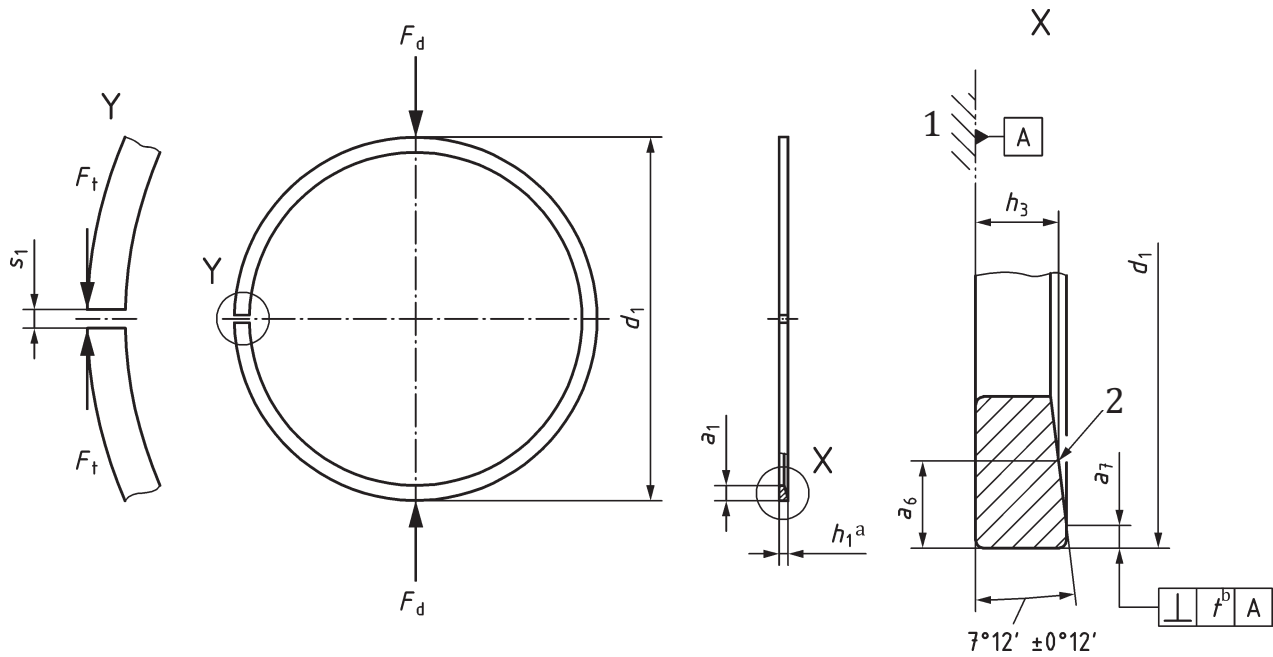
#### 4.1 Type HK — Straight faced half keystone ring 7°

##### 4.1.1 General features

[Figure 1](#) shows the general features of piston ring type HK.

See [Table 7](#) for dimensions and forces.

$h_3$  values are calculated based on [Annex A](#).



**Key**

- 1 reference plane (ring is positioned flat against datum A)
- 2 top side identification mark
- a Nominal.
- b  $t = 0,006 \times h_1$ .

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**Figure 1 — Type HK**

**4.1.2 Designation**

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EXAMPLE <sup>16</sup> Designation of a piston ring complying with the requirements of ISO 6624-4, being a 7° half keystone ring made of steel with a straight faced peripheral surface (HK), of nominal diameter  $d_1 = 60$  mm (60), of nominal ring width  $h_1 = 1,2$  mm (1,2), made of CrSi alloyed steel subclass 62 (MC62), and having a chromium plated peripheral surface with a minimum thickness of 0,1 mm (CR2). Parameters in parenthesis are used in the ISO ring designation:

**Piston ring ISO 6624-4 HK - 60 × 1,2 - MC62/CR2**

**4.2 Type HKB — Barrel faced half keystone ring 7°**

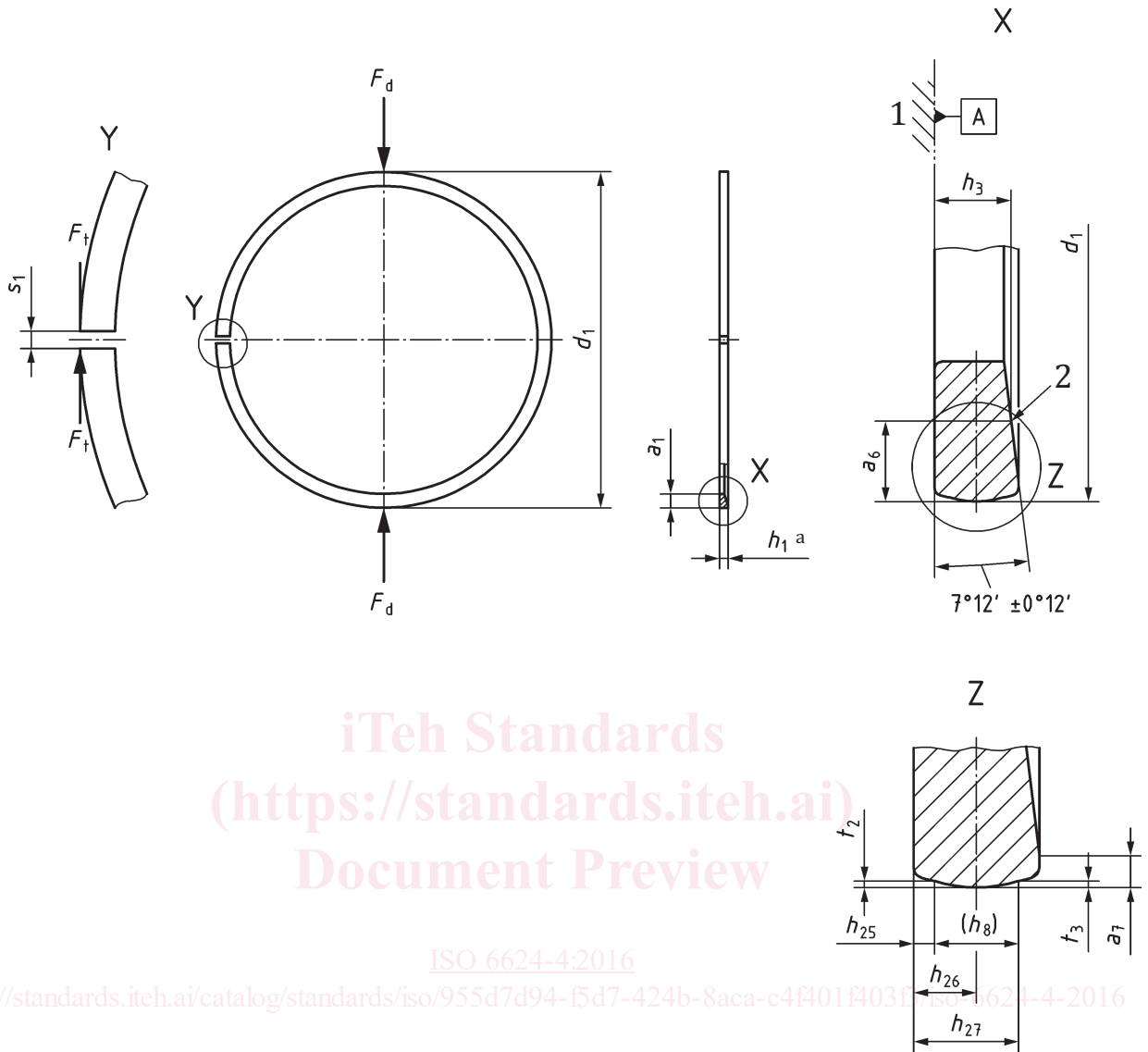
**4.2.1 General features**

[Figure 2](#) shows the general features of piston ring type HKB.

See [Table 7](#) for dimensions and forces.

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**Figure 2 — Type HKB**

Table 1 — Symmetrical barrel dimensions and gauge width ( $h_3$ )

Dimensions in millimetres

$h_1$	$h_{25}$	$h_{26}$	$h_{26}$ tol.	$h_{27}$	$t_2, t_3$	$h_3^a$
1,2	0,30	0,60	$\pm 0,20$	0,90	0,002...0,012	0,60
1,5	0,35	0,75	$\pm 0,25$	1,15	0,003...0,015	0,80
1,75	0,35	0,85	$\pm 0,30$	1,35		1,00
2,0	0,40	1,00	$\pm 0,30$	1,60		1,20
2,5	0,45	1,25	$\pm 0,40$	2,05		1,60
3,0	0,50	1,50	$\pm 0,50$	2,50	0,005...0,020	2,00
3,5	0,55	1,75	$\pm 0,50$	2,95		2,40

<sup>a</sup> Gauge width ( $h_3$ ) only informative; may be used only if agreed between manufacturer and customer.

#### 4.2.2 Designation

**EXAMPLE** Designation of a piston ring complying with the requirements of ISO 6624-4, being a half keystone ring made of steel with a barrel faced peripheral surface (HKB), of nominal diameter  $d_1 = 60$  mm (60), of nominal ring width  $h_1 = 1,5$  mm (1,5), made of martensitic steel 11 %Cr (min.) subclass 65 (MC65), and nitrided on the peripheral surface and side faces (NT) to a depth of 0,050 mm min. on the peripheral surface (050), with an associated side face depth of 0,015 mm min. Parameters in parenthesis are used in the ISO ring designation:

**Piston ring ISO 6624-4 HKB - 60 × 1,5 - MC65/NT050**

#### 4.3 Type HKBA — Asymmetrical Barrel faced half keystone ring 7° (not recommended for nitrided rings of code NT)

##### 4.3.1 General features

See [Table 7](#) for dimensions and forces.

$h_3$  values are calculated based on [Annex A](#).