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Hexagon socket screw keys**

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The committee responsible for this document is ISO/TC 29, *Small tools*, Subcommittee SC 10, *Assembly tools for screws and nuts, pliers and nippers*.

This sixth edition cancels and replaces the fifth edition (ISO 2936:2001), of which it constitutes a minor revision, and [Clause 3](#) and [Table 1](#) of which have been revised. It also incorporates the Technical Corrigendum ISO 2936:2001/Cor 1:2007.

# Assembly tools for screws and nuts — Hexagon socket screw keys

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the dimensions, the method of test, the designation, and the marking of hexagon socket screw keys. It also specifies the minimum values of Rockwell hardness that are to be met.

The specifications of this International Standard apply for tightening of hexagon socket screws for property class less than or equal to 12,9 as defined in ISO 898-1 and for tightening of socket set screws as defined in ISO 898-5.

NOTE 1 Hexagon socket screw keys are listed under reference number 4 1 03 01 0 in ISO 1703.

## 2 Normative references

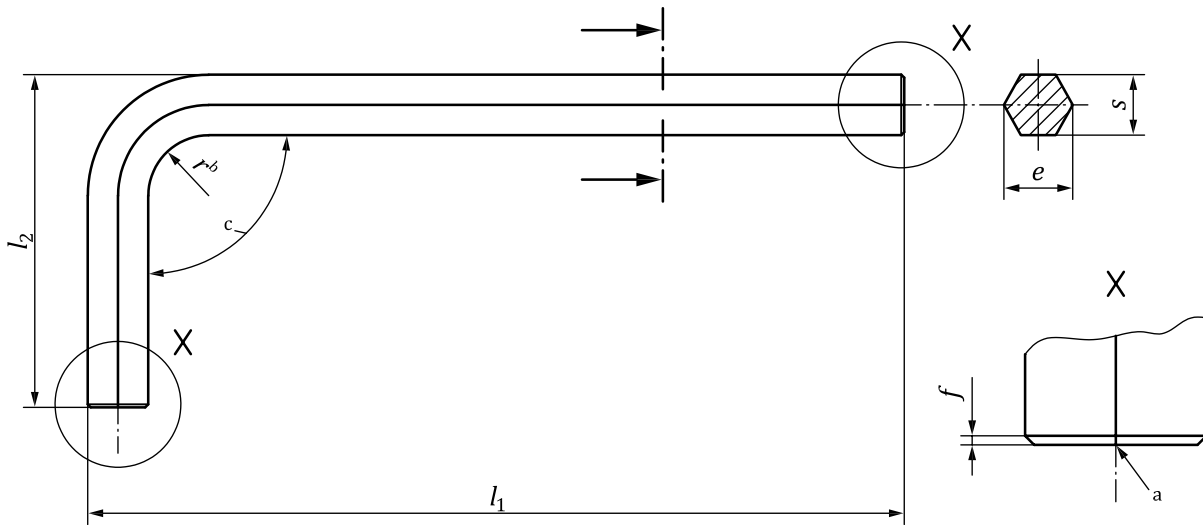
The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 898-1, *Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel — Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes — Coarse thread and fine pitch thread*

ISO 898-5, *Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel — Part 5: Set screws and similar threaded fasteners with specified hardness classes — Coarse thread and fine pitch thread*

### 3 Dimensions

See [Figure 1](#) and [Table 1](#).



**Key**

- a The corners can be sharp, rounded, or chamfered, and the radius of curvature or the chamfer,  $f$ , respectively, shall not be greater than half the difference between width across corners,  $e$ , and width across flats,  $s$ .

$$f_{\max} = \frac{e_{\max} - s_{\min}}{2}$$

Each end shall be square with the axis of each arm within  $\pm 1^\circ$ .

- b  $r$  shall not be smaller than 1.5 mm,  $r \geq s$ .
- c  $90^\circ +2^\circ$   
 $-1^\circ$  for width across flats  $\leq 17$  mm;  
 $90^\circ +3^\circ$   
 $-1^\circ$  for width across flats  $> 17$  mm.

**Figure 1 — Hexagon socket screw key**

Table 1 — Dimensions

Dimensions in millimetres

Width across flats <i>s</i>			Width across corners <i>e<sup>a</sup></i>		<i>l<sub>1</sub></i>			<i>l<sub>2</sub></i>	
nom.	max.	min.	max.	min.	Standard	Long	Extra-long	Limit deviations	Limit deviations
0,7	0,71	0,70	0,79	0,76	33	—	—	0 -2	7
0,9	0,89	0,88	0,99	0,96	33	—	—		11
1,3	1,27	1,24	1,42	1,37	41	63,5	81		13
1,5	1,50	1,48	1,68	1,63 <sup>b</sup>	46,5	63,5	91,5		15,5
2	2,00	1,96	2,25	2,18 <sup>c</sup>	52	77	102	0 -4	18
2,5	2,50	2,46	2,82	2,75 <sup>c</sup>	58,5	87,5	114,5		20,5
3	3,00	2,96	3,39	3,31 <sup>c</sup>	66	93	129		23
3,5	3,50	3,45	3,96	3,91	69,5	98,5	140		25,5
4	4,00	3,95	4,53	4,43 <sup>c</sup>	74	104	144		29
4,5	4,50	4,45	5,10	5,04	80	114,5	156		30,5
5	5,00	4,95	5,67	5,57 <sup>d</sup>	85	120	165		33
6	6,00	5,95	6,81	6,70 <sup>d</sup>	96	141	186		38
7	7,00	6,94	7,95	7,85	102	147	197	0 -6	41
8	8,00	7,94	9,09	8,97	108	158	208		44
9	9,00	8,94	10,23	10,10	114	169	219		47
10	10,00	9,94	11,37	11,23	122	180	234		50
11	11,00	10,89	12,51	12,31	129	191	247		53
12	12,00	11,89	13,65	13,44	137	202	262		57

Table 1 (continued)

Width across flats <i>s</i>			Width across corners <i>e<sup>a</sup></i>		<i>l<sub>1</sub></i>			<i>l<sub>2</sub></i>	
nom.	max.	min.	max.	min.	Stand-ard	Long	Extra-long	Limit deviations	Limit deviations
13	13,00	12,89	14,79	14,57	145	213	277	0 -7	63
14	14,00	13,89	15,93	15,70	154	229	294		70
15	15,00	14,89	17,07	16,83	161	240	307		73
16	16,00	15,89	18,21	17,96	168	240	307		76
17	17,00	16,89	19,35	19,09	177	262	337		80
18	18,00	17,89	20,49	20,22	188	262	358		84
19	19,00	18,87	21,63	21,32	199	—	—		89
21	21,00	20,87	23,91	23,58	211	—	—	0 -12	96
22	22,00	21,87	25,05	24,71	222	—	—		102
23	23,00	22,87	26,19	25,84	233	—	—		108
24	24,00	23,87	27,33	26,97	248	—	—		114
27	27,00	26,87	30,75	30,36	277	—	—		127
29	29,00	28,87	33,03	32,62	311	—	—		141
30	30,00	29,87	34,17	33,75	315	—	—		142
32	32,00	31,84	36,45	35,98	347	—	—		157
36	36,00	35,84	41,01	40,50	391	—	—		176

*a*  $e_{\max} = 1,14 s_{\max} - 0,03$  (from  $1,5 \leq s \leq 36$ );  $e_{\min} = 1,13 s_{\min}$  (from  $8 \leq s \leq 36$ ).

*b*  $e_{\min} = 1,13 s_{\min} - 0,04$ .

*c*  $e_{\min} = 1,13 s_{\min} - 0,03$ .

*d*  $e_{\min} = 1,13 s_{\min} - 0,02$ .

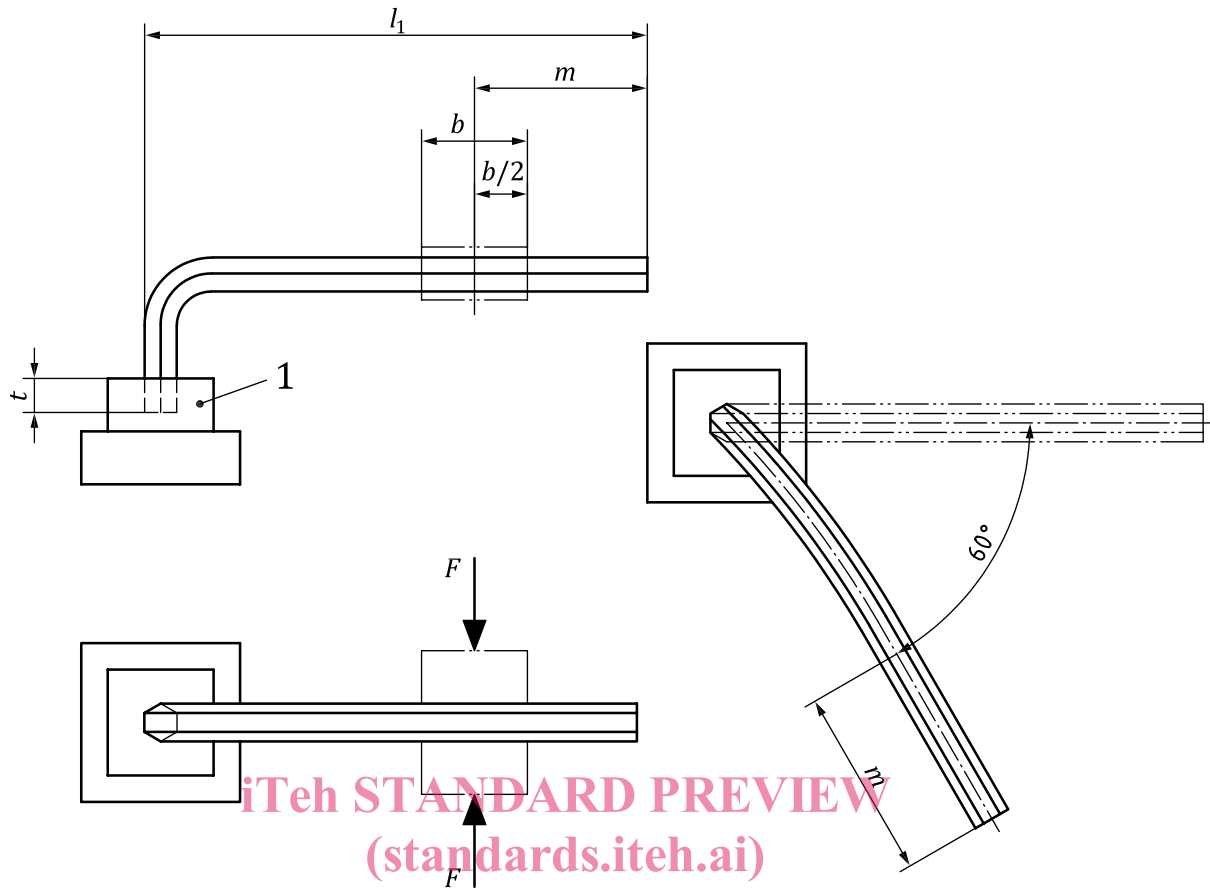
4 Method of test

Insert the short arm of the key into a female hexagon socket adapter having a Rockwell hardness as given in Table 3. Smoothly apply an increasing load at a distance *m* from the end of the long arm of the key (where  $m = l_1/3$ , with a tolerance of  $\pm 2$  mm) until the proof torque is reached. It shall be ensured throughout the whole test procedure that the friction lock contact with the tool surface is maintained over the total area of the force-initiating contact area *b* as given in Table 2. The load shall be applied perpendicular to the axis of the key, and the torque is calculated as the product of the applied load and the distance between the point of application of the load and the axis of the adapter. Test values are given in Table 3.

Following the application of the minimum test torque, any possible damage or deformation shall not affect the usability of the key.

For a key with a width across the flats of up to 14 mm, the hexagon socket screw key shall show a total deformation, to torsion fracture, of at least 60° under load and a permanent deformation before failure.





**Key**

- 1 female hexagon socket adapter <https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/87f964f2-b08f-42b8-876f-59beb1ad71c8/iso-2936-2014>

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**Figure 2 — Test configuration**

**Table 2 — Test dimensions for force-initiating contact area**

Dimensions in millimetres

Width across flats nom.	$b$
0,7 to 5	$10 \pm 1$
> 5 to 17	$20 \pm 1$
> 17	$50 \pm 1$