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prEN 12331:2018 (E)**European foreword**

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For relationship with EU Directive 2006/42/EC, see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this document.

Significant changes

The significant changes with respect to the previous edition EN 12331:2015 are listed below:

- for better distinction, two types of machines are defined: professional and industrial;
- the requirements have been specified and revised with regard to the two types of machine (professional and industrial).

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Introduction

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

This document is of relevance, in particular for the following stakeholder groups representing the market players with regard to machinery safety:

- machine manufacturers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- health and safety bodies (regulators, accident prevention organizations, market surveillance, etc.).

Others can be affected by the level of machinery safety achieved with the means of the document by the above-mentioned stakeholder groups:

- machine users/employers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- machine users/employees (e.g. trade unions, organizations for people with special needs);
- service providers, e.g. for maintenance (small, medium and large enterprises);
- consumers (in the case of machinery intended for use by consumers).

The above-mentioned stakeholder groups have been given the possibility to participate at the drafting process of this document.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations and hazardous events are covered are indicated in the scope of this document.

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

prEN 12331:2018 (E)**1 Scope**

1.1 This document specifies requirements for the design and manufacture of mincing machines (see Figures 1 a and 1 b).

The mincing machines (hereinafter referred to as machine) covered by this document are used for size reduction of fresh or frozen meat, meat products and fish (hereinafter referred to as product) by cutting in a set of cutting tools.

Machines for domestic uses are not included in this document. Filling mincers are covered by EN 12463 “Food processing machinery — Filling machines and auxiliary machines — Safety and hygiene requirements”.

This document applies only to machines that are manufactured after the date of issue of this document.

This document covers:

- professional machines used for on-demand preparation in shops characterized by:
 - designed as a table top machine;
 - and having a feed tray;
 - and the product is only feed manually;
 - and is only operated from the ground;
 - and is operated by no more than one operator;
 - and with full visibility and full accessibility of the entire machine from the operator workstation;
 - and having hole plate diameter ≤ 106 mm;
 - and a worm casing set which is removable without using any tools;
 - and the weight of the worm casing set ≤ 15 kg;

NOTE The table top machine can be equipped with a frame or base, so no separate table is needed.

- industrial machines used for industrial mass production, and which cannot be characterized as a professional machine.

The extent to which hazards are covered, is indicated in this document. For other hazards which are not covered by this document, machinery should comply with EN ISO 12100:2010 where applicable.

This document does not describe the specific requirements for the control of machines with foot switch.

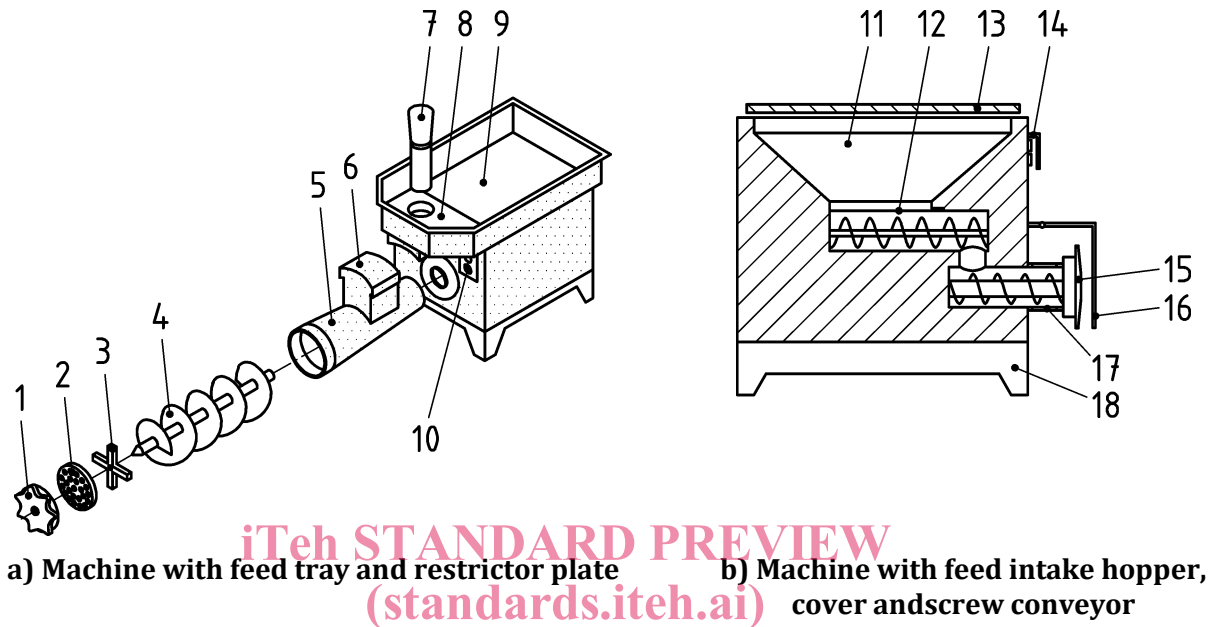
This document does not describe the specific requirements for additional mixing screws in the feed intake hopper which are covered by EN 13570 “Food processing machinery — Mixing machines — Safety and hygiene requirements”.

1.2 This document covers the following types of machines:

- machine with feed tray, feed intake and pusher (see Figure 3);
- machine with feed tray, feed intake, restrictor plate and pusher (see Figure 4);
- machine with feed intake hopper, cover and screw conveyor (see Figure 5);

- machine with feed intake hopper, with or without cover, screw conveyor, with loading device (continuously or discontinuously).

Machines comprise a machine base, a worm casing with a worm, a feed tray (with feed intake) or a feed intake hopper, a screw conveyor, a set of cutting tools, a lock nut, a loading device, a drive motor and – depending on machine type – electrical, hydraulic and pneumatic components. They will also have various safeguarding devices as examples in Clause 5.



Key

1 lock nut	6 feed intake	11 feed intake hopper	15 lock nut
2 hole plate	7 pusher	12 screw conveyor	16 protective hood
3 blade	8 restrictor plate	13 cover	17 worm
4 worm	9 feed tray	14 on-/off-switch with protective hood	18 machine rack
5 worm casing	10 on-/off-switch		

Figure 1 — Arrangement of a mincing machine

Machines may be equipped e.g. with:

- an extraction claw;
- an ejector or extractor;
- a protective hood over the discharge outlet;
- a cover over the inlet opening of the feed intake hopper;
- a transport carriage for the lock nut, the set of cutting tools, the worm and the screw conveyor;
- a lifting device for the lock nut, the set of cutting tools, the worm and the screw conveyor;
- a loading device.

prEN 12331:2018 (E)**1.3 Intended use**

The product is fed manually or with a loading device into the mincing machine. The product is fed to the worm either by a pusher or a screw conveyor and reduced in size by a set of cutting tools.

It is foreseeable that industrial machines will be cleaned with pressurized water, so the requirements of 5.3.4 shall apply to all industrial machines in the scope of this standard. This is not applicable to professional machines.

This document specifies all significant hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to machines, when they are used as intended and under conditions of misuse which are reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer (see Clause 4).

This document specifies the hazards which can arise during commissioning, operation, cleaning, use, maintenance and decommissioning of the machine.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

EN 349, *Safety of machinery — Minimum gaps to avoid crushing of parts of the human body*

EN 614-1, *Safety of machinery — Ergonomic design principles — Part 1: Terminology and general principles*

EN 1005-1, *Safety of machinery — Human physical performance — Part 1: Terms and definitions*

EN 1005-2, *Safety of machinery — Human physical performance — Part 2: Manual handling of machinery and component parts of machinery*

EN 1005-3, *Safety of machinery — Human physical performance — Part 3: Recommended force limits for machinery operation*

EN 1672-2:2005+A1:2009, *Food processing machinery — Basic concepts — Part 2: Hygiene requirements*

EN 60204-1:2006, *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60204-1:2005, modified)*

EN 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code) (IEC 60529)*

EN 61496-1, *Safety of machinery — Electro-sensitive protective equipment — Part 1: General requirements and tests (IEC 61496-1)*

EN ISO 4287, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Surface texture: Profile method — Terms, definitions and surface texture parameters (ISO 4287)*

EN ISO 4871, *Acoustics — Declaration and verification of noise emission values of machinery and equipment (ISO 4871)*

EN ISO 11204:2010, *Acoustics — Noise emitted by machinery and equipment — Determination of emission sound pressure levels at a work station and at other specified positions applying accurate environmental corrections (ISO 11204:2010)*

EN ISO 11688-1, *Acoustics — Recommended practice for the design of low-noise machinery and equipment — Part 1: Planning (ISO/TR 11688-1)*

EN ISO 12100:2010, *Safety of machinery — General principles for design — Risk assessment and risk reduction (ISO 12100:2010)*

EN ISO 13849-1:2015, *Safety of machinery — Safety-related parts of control systems — Part 1: General principles for design (ISO 13849-1:2015)*

EN ISO 13857:2008, *Safety of machinery — Safety distances to prevent hazard zones being reached by upper and lower limbs (ISO 13857:2008)*

EN ISO 14119:2013, *Safety of machinery — Interlocking devices associated with guards — Principles for design and selection (ISO 14119:2013)*

EN ISO 14120:2015, *Safety of machinery — Guards — General requirements for the design and construction of fixed and movable guards (ISO 14120:2015)*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN ISO 12100:2010 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

3.1

platform

accessible workstation

3.2

worm

rotating screw-shaped component in the worm casing for product transport to the set of cutting tools

3.3

step

interlocked workstation

3.4

ejector/extractor

device for detaching the set of cutting tools and the worm

3.5

extraction claw

tool for detaching the set of cutting tools and the worm

3.6

loading device

device for the lifting and tilting of transport cars and containers

prEN 12331:2018 (E)**3.7****container**

device for holding processed and/or unprocessed product

3.8**cover**

movable device with safety function

3.9**feed intake**

housing between the feed tray and the worm casing

3.10**feed intake hopper**

device for holding the unprocessed product

3.11**locking device**

device for locking the trolley or container in the load bearing device

3.12**trolley**

movable container

3.13**design dimension**

sum of dimensions measured from the workstation (floor, steps, intermediate steps or platforms) to the hopper edge and from the hopper edge to the first danger point in the feed intake hopper (see Figure 6 and Figure 7)

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3.14**cooling mincer**

machine with a cooling device for the feed intake and the worm casing

3.15**workstation**

every location at the machine from which the operator interacts with the machine

3.16**hole plate**

plate with bores

3.17**end hole plate**

last hole plate towards the outlet

3.18**blade**

element for cutting the product

3.19**feed tray**

device for receiving the product to be processed to feed the feed intake by hand

3.20**mechanical trip bar**

movable device with a safety function

3.21**worm casing**

element for holding the worm and the set of cutting tools

3.22**worm casing set**

arrangement consisting of a worm casing, a worm, a set of cutting tools and a lock nut

3.23**set of cutting tools**

arrangement of blades and hole plates for size reduction of product

Note 1 to entry: The number and type of cutting tools used is selected depending on the desired quality of the minced product.

3.24**protective grid**

movable device on the feed intake hopper mouth

3.25**protective hood**

movable device on the discharge outlet

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3.26**restrictor plate**

stationary non-detachable device above the feed intake

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3.27**pusher**

device used to push the product further in the feed intake

3.28**screw conveyor**

rotating screw-shaped component in the feed intake hopper for product transport to the worm

3.29**transport carriage**

movable device for holding the lock nut, set of cutting tools, worm and screw conveyor

3.30**lock nut**

device for locking the set of cutting tools in the worm casing

3.31**professional machine**

machine used for on-demand preparation in shops or restaurants

Note 1 to entry: A professional machine shows at least all of the following features:

— is a table top machine;