
**Compacted (vermicular) graphite cast
irons — Classification**

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 16112:2006), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- Brinell hardness values have been moved from [Table 1](#) and [Table 2](#) to [Table A.1](#);
- property values for cast-on samples with relevant wall thickness $t \leq 12,5$ mm have been removed from [Table 2](#) because all data entries for $t \leq 12,5$ mm were the same as the values for relevant wall thickness $12,5 \text{ mm} < t \leq 30$ mm;
- [Annex B](#) has been expanded to provide a more comprehensive explanation of the nodularity evaluation technique;
- [Annex C](#) has been deleted and replaced because the series production experience gained since the first publication of ISO 16112 in 2006 has surpassed the scope of the annex.

Introduction

This document deals with the classification of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons (CGI) in accordance with the mechanical properties of the material.

The properties of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons depend on their graphite and matrix microstructure.

The mechanical properties of the material can be evaluated on machined test pieces prepared from

- separately cast samples,
- samples cast in the mould alongside the casting, with a joint running system, hereafter called side-by-side samples, or
- samples cast onto either the casting or the running system, hereafter referred to as cast-on samples, or
- samples cut from a casting (only when an agreement is made between the manufacturer and the purchaser).

The material grade is defined by mechanical properties measured on machined test pieces prepared from separately cast samples, cast-on samples, or samples cut from the casting by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

[Annex A](#) provides typical properties for compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons obtained in separately cast test bars.

[Annex B](#) provides information on a procedure to determine the graphite nodularity of the microstructure.

[Annex C](#) provides information on properties and examples for typical applications of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons.

[Annex D](#) provides cross-references of ISO 16112 grade designations to other national and international standard grades of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron.

References used in the preparation of this document are listed in the Bibliography.

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Compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons — Classification

1 Scope

This document specifies five grades of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons.

This document specifies five grades based on the minimum mechanical properties measured on machined test pieces prepared from

- separately cast samples,
- side-by-side cast samples,
- cast-on samples, or
- samples cut from a casting.

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.

ISO 945-1, *Microstructure of cast irons — Part 1: Graphite classification by visual analysis*

ISO 6506-1, *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 6892-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at room temperature*

ISO/TR 15931, *Designation system for cast irons and pig irons*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions 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

compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron

cast material, iron and carbon based, the carbon being present mainly in the form of compacted (vermicular) graphite particles that appear vermicular on a two-dimensional plane of polish, the graphite particles being embedded in a matrix consisting of ferrite, ferrite/pearlite, or pearlite

Note 1 to entry: Reference micrographs are provided in [Annex B](#).

3.2

graphite modification treatment

process that brings the liquid iron into contact with a substance to produce graphite in the predominantly compacted (vermicular) form during solidification

**3.3
separately cast sample**

sample cast in a separate sand mould under representative manufacturing conditions and material grade

**3.4
side-by-side cast sample**

sample cast in the mould alongside the casting, with a connected but separate running system

**3.5
cast-on sample**

sample attached directly to the running system or the casting

**3.6
sample cut from the casting**

sample obtained directly from the casting

**3.7
relevant wall thickness**

section of the casting, agreed between the manufacturer and the purchaser, to which the determined mechanical properties shall apply

Note 1 to entry: The cooling rate of the relevant wall thickness can be used to determine the size of separately cast or cast-on samples to ensure representative microstructures and properties.

4 Designation

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The material is designated according to ISO/TR 15931. The relevant designations are given in [Tables 1](#) and [2](#).

In the case of test pieces prepared from separately cast samples, the letter “S” is added at the end of the grade designation. In the case of test pieces prepared from side-by-side or cast-on samples, the letter “U” is added at the end of the grade designation.

5 Order information

The following information shall be supplied by the purchaser:

- a) the complete designation of the material;
- b) any special requirements which shall be agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

All agreements between the manufacturer and the purchaser shall be made by the time of acceptance of the order.

6 Manufacture

The method of producing compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron and its chemical composition shall be left to the discretion of the manufacturer, who shall ensure that the requirements of this document are met for the material grade specified in the order.

NOTE When compacted (vermicular) graphite cast iron is to be used for special applications, the chemical composition and heat treatment can be agreed upon between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

7 Requirements

7.1 General

The minimum tensile properties of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons shall be as specified in [Tables 1](#) and [2](#).

Production test results shall meet the minimum tensile property requirements specified in [Table 1](#) or [Table 2](#). Statistical analysis methods shall be used to establish process capability to meet the tensile property requirements.

7.2 Test pieces machined from separately cast samples

The minimum measured mechanical properties of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons, determined using test pieces machined from separately cast samples according to [Figure 1](#), [Figure 2](#) or [Figure 3](#) shall be as specified in [Table 1](#). The material designation is based on the minimum mechanical properties obtained in cast samples with a thickness of 25 mm. This designation is irrespective of the type of cast sample.

Table 1 — Mechanical properties measured on test pieces machined from separately cast samples

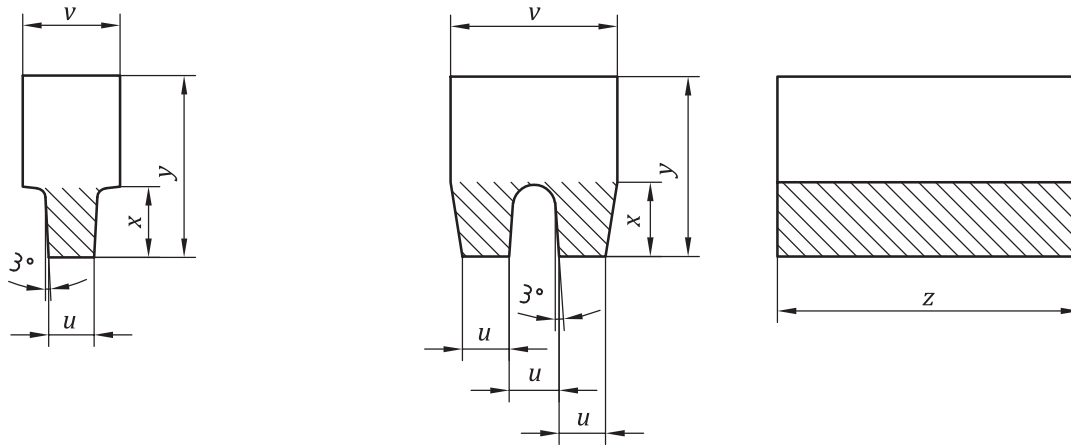
| Material designation | Tensile strength | 0,2 % proof strength | Elongation |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| | R_m MPa min | $R_{p0,2}$ MPa min | A % min |
| ISO 16112/JV/300/S | 300 | 210 | 2,0 |
| ISO 16112/JV/350/S | 350 | 245 | 1,5 |
| ISO 16112/JV/400/S | 400 | 280 | 1,0 |
| ISO 16112/JV/450/S | 450 | 315 | 1,0 |
| ISO 16112/JV/500/S | 500 | 350 | 0,5 |

NOTE 1 The values for these materials apply to castings cast in sand moulds of comparable thermal behaviour. Subject to amendments agreed upon in the order, they can apply to castings obtained by alternative methods.

NOTE 2 Whatever the method used for obtaining the castings, the grades are based on the mechanical properties measured on test pieces machined from samples separately cast in a sand mould or a mould of comparable thermal behaviour.

NOTE 3 Tensile testing requires sound test pieces in order to ensure pure uniaxial stress during the test.

Dimensions in millimetres



a) Types I, IIa and III

b) Type IIb

| Dimension | Type | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----|----------|-----|
| | I | IIa | IIb | III |
| u | 12,5 | 25 | 25 | 50 |
| v | 40 | 55 | 90 | 90 |
| x | 30 | 40 | 40 to 50 | 60 |
| y^a | 80 | 100 | 100 | 150 |
| z^b | A function of the test-piece length | | | |
| a For information only. https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/91008f4-bd09-4f7d-8031-338ddcbb641/iso-16112-2017 | | | | |
| b z shall be chosen to allow a test piece of the dimensions shown in Figure 5 to be machined from the sample. | | | | |

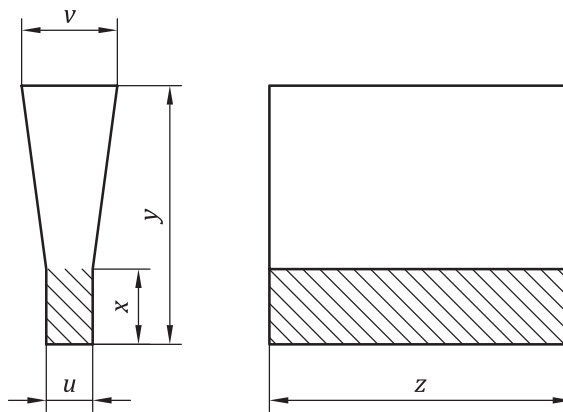
Figure 1 — Separately cast or side-by-side cast samples (option 1)

The thickness of the sand mould surrounding the samples shall be

- 40 mm minimum for types I, IIa and IIb, or
- 80 mm minimum for type III.

NOTE For the manufacture of thin-walled castings or castings in metal moulds, the tensile properties can, by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser, be determined on test pieces taken from samples of thickness, u , less than 12,5 mm.

Dimensions in millimetres



| Dimension | Type | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | I | II | III | IV |
| u | 12,5 | 25 | 50 | 75 |
| v | 40 | 55 | 100 | 125 |
| x | 25 | 40 | 50 | 65 |
| y^a | 135 | 140 | 150 | 175 |
| z^b | A function of the test-piece length | | | |
| ^a For information only. ^b z shall be chosen to allow a test piece of the dimensions shown in Figure 5 to be machined from the sample. | | | | |

Figure 2 — Separately cast or side-by-side cast samples (option 2)

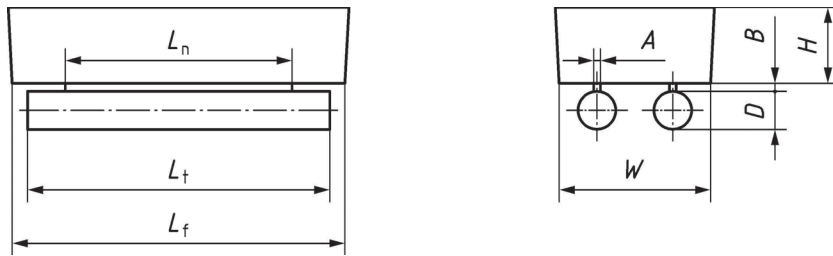
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The thickness of the sand mould surrounding the samples shall be

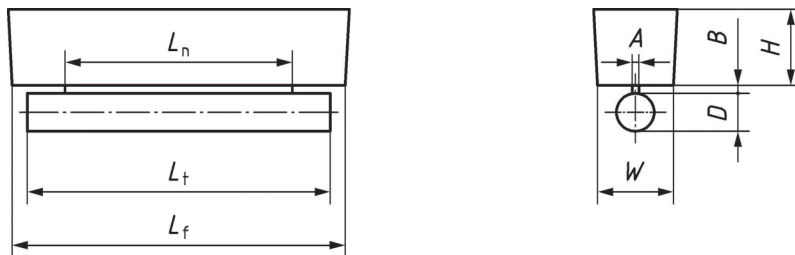
- 40 mm minimum for types I and II, or
- 80 mm minimum for types III and IV.

NOTE For the manufacture of thin-walled castings or castings in metal moulds, the tensile properties can, by agreement between the manufacturer and the purchaser, be determined on test pieces taken from samples of thickness, u , less than 12,5 mm.

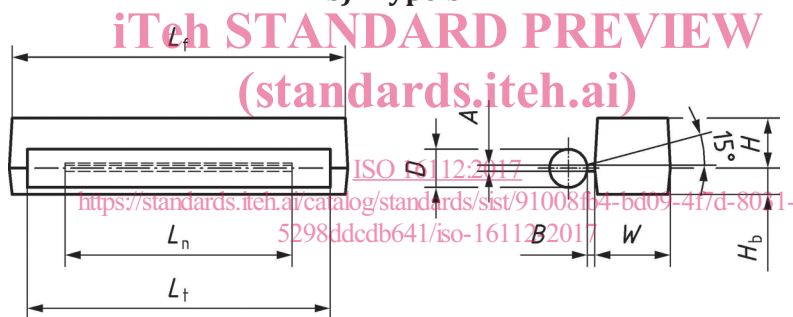
Dimensions in millimetres



a) Type a



b) Type b



c) Type c

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| Type | A | B | D | H | H _b | L _f | L _n | L _t | W |
|------|-----|-----|----|----|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----|
| a | 4,5 | 5,5 | 25 | 50 | — | L _t + 20 | L _t - 50 | a | 100 |
| b | 4,5 | 5,5 | 25 | 50 | — | L _t + 20 | L _t - 50 | | 50 |
| c | 4,0 | 5,0 | 25 | 35 | 15 | L _t + 20 | L _t - 50 | | 50 |

^a L_t shall be chosen to allow a test piece of dimensions shown in Figure 5 to be machined from the cast sample.

Figure 3 — Separately cast or side-by-side cast samples (option 3)

The thickness of the sand mould surrounding the samples shall be at least 40 mm.

7.3 Test pieces machined from side-by-side and cast-on samples

The minimum mechanical properties of compacted (vermicular) graphite cast irons, determined using test pieces machined from side-by-side cast samples according to Figure 1, Figure 2 or Figure 3, or to cast-on samples according to Figure 4, shall be as specified in Table 2.

The material designation is based on the minimum mechanical properties obtained in samples with a relevant wall thickness of 25 mm. This designation is irrespective of the type of cast sample.