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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- publication under a separate standard number (ISO 23940) and therefore no longer as part of the ISO 13397 standard series;
- addition of new shapes, see [Figure 5](#) to [Figure 10](#), and [Table 3](#);
- test values for connection between working end and handle were reduced from 600 N to 450 N (tensile load) and from 400 Ncm to 0,25 Nm (torque) (see [5.7](#));
- requirement for UDI-code has been added in [Clause 7](#);
- requirement for instructions for use has been added in [7.3](#).

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# Dentistry — Excavators

## 1 Scope

This document specifies dimensions and performance requirements for excavators used in dentistry.

## 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 1942, *Dentistry — Vocabulary*

ISO 6507-1, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 6508-1, *Metallic materials — Rockwell hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 7153-1, *Surgical instruments — Materials — Part 1: Metals*

ISO 17664, *Processing of health care products — Information to be provided by the medical device manufacturer for the processing of medical devices*

ISO 21850-1,<sup>1)</sup> *Dentistry — Materials for dental instruments — Part 1: Stainless steel*

## 3 Terms, definitions and symbols

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1942 and the following apply.

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

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

#### 3.1.1

##### **excavator**

handheld dental instrument for excavating caries

#### 3.1.2

##### **datum point**

section point between the centreline of the handle, at right angle to the centreline, and the blade

#### 3.1.3

##### **handle**

area used for holding the dental explorer during tactile exploration

#### 3.1.4

##### **shank**

part of the dental explorer that connects the working end to the handle

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### 3.1.5

#### working end

part of the dental explorer after the first bend of the shank including the working tip

### 3.1.6

#### blade

active part of the working end which will be first to contact the tooth surface

## 3.2 Symbols and abbreviated terms

The following symbols and abbreviated terms are used in this document:

$b_1$	blade width;
$b_2$	blade thickness;
$b_3$	blade length;
$b_4$	neck thickness;
$h_1$	blade height;
$h_2$	Shank height;
$\alpha$	blade angle;
$\beta$	offset angle.

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## 4 Classification

The classification of forms of excavators is given in [Table 1](#).

**Table 1 — Classification of excavator forms**

Form	Figure	Shape of working end		Classification
		Overall	Top	
A	<a href="#">Figure 1</a>	Straight	Discoid	100
B	<a href="#">Figure 2</a>	Angled	Discoid	200
C	<a href="#">Figure 3</a>	Contra-angled	Discoid	300
D	<a href="#">Figure 4</a>	Angled, complex	Discoid	400
E	<a href="#">Figure 5</a>	Spoon	Pear	500

## 5 Requirements for excavators

### 5.1 Design and dimensions

Excavators shall have the designs shown in [Figures 1](#) to [10](#) and the dimensions as given in [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#).

The points of measurement associated with the dimensions are listed in [Table 4](#).



Table 2 — Dimensions of excavators (Form A to Form D)

Dimensions in millimetres

Angles in degree

Type	b1	b2	b3	b4	h1	h2	$\alpha$	$\beta$
<b>Tolerance</b>	±0,1	±0,1	±0,1	±0,1	±0,3	±0,3	±5	±5
<b>Form A; 100 = Straight</b>								
<b>101</b>	2,5	0,9	—	1,2	—	—	40	—
<b>102</b>	1,7	0,7	—	0,9	—	—	40	—
<b>Form B; 200 = Angled</b>								
<b>201</b>	1,1	0,5	—	0,7	6,4	—	35	72
<b>202</b>	1,0	0,5	—	0,7	6,4	—	36	72
<b>Form C; 300 = Contra-angled</b>								
<b>301</b>	2,5	0,8	—	1,2	2,0	3,7	35	30
<b>302</b>	2,5	0,7	—	1,2	2,0	3,7	35	40
<b>303</b>	2,0	0,7	—	1,1	2,1	3,4	35	30
<b>304</b>	1,7	0,7	—	0,9	1,9	3,5	35	30
<b>305</b>	1,4	0,6	—	0,8	1,7	3,5	35	30
<b>306</b>	1,1	0,6	—	0,7	1,6	3,6	35	30
<b>307</b>	1,0	0,5	—	0,7	2,5	1,8	35	30
<b>308</b>	0,8	0,5	—	0,6	2,7	3,6	35	35
<b>Form D; 400 = Angled, complex</b>								
<b>401</b>	1,4	0,7	2,5	0,8	2,9	3,0	35	83

Table 3 — Dimensions of excavators (Form E)

Dimensions in millimetres

Angles in degree

Type	b1	b2	b3	h1	h2	$\alpha$
<b>Tolerance</b>	±0,1	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Form E; 500 = Spoon</b>						
<b>501 (63-64 or #1)</b>	1,5	1,1 - 2,0	7,0 - 8,0	2,6 - 4,5	3,1 - 4,2	40 - 50
<b>502 (65-66 or #2)</b>	1,0	0,8 - 1,5	4,5 - 8,0	2,0 - 3,3	2,5 - 4,0	40 - 50
<b>503 (17-18 or #3)</b>	1,2	0,8 - 1,2	2,0 - 3,0	5,0 - 6,0	2,3 - 2,8	65 - 80
<b>504 (21-22 or #4)</b>	1,5	1,3 - 1,5	2,8 - 3,6	2,0 - 3,0	2,4 - 3,0	35 - 45
<b>505 (65A-66A or #5)</b>	1,1	0,8 - 1,9	6,0 - 11,0	1,8 - 4,7	3,0 - 5,0	40 - 50
<b>506 (19-20 or #6)</b>	1,2	0,8 - 1,3	2,0 - 3,0	2,5 - 5,0	2,0 - 3,0	45 - 65

Table 4 — Measurement points for excavators

	Dimension	Measurement point
$b_1$	Blade width	Measured at the widest point, unless a specific cross-section is indicated by AA, BB, ..., ZZ at a set distance from the datum point.
$b_2$	Blade thickness	Measured at the thickest part of the blade.
$b_3$	Blade length	Distance measured from the extreme tip of the blade, parallel to the intersection of the shank and the first bend.
$b_4$	Neck thickness	Measured immediately behind the blade at the smallest point, at right angles to the centreline of the instrument.
$h_1$	Blade height	Distance measured from the datum point, at right angles to the centreline of the instrument, to the farthest extremity of the blade.
$h_2$	Shank height	Distance measured from the datum point, at right angles to the centreline of the instrument, to the farthest external surface of the first bend of the shank.
$\alpha$	Blade angle	Angle of glaze surface to the centreline of the blade, shank or instrument, whichever is appropriate.
$\beta$	Offset angle	With the instrument viewed at 90° to the standard position (i.e. a plan view), the angle between the centreline of the shank and a line, parallel to the centreline of the instrument, forming a tangent with the first bend of the instrument.

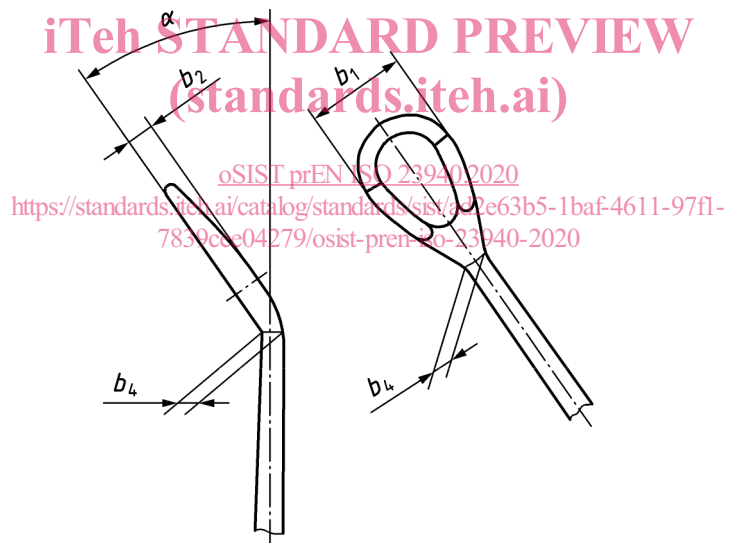


Figure 1 — Form A: Straight