
**Passenger car and light truck vehicle
wheels — Clip and adhesive balance
weight and rim flange nomenclature,
test procedures and performance
requirements**

*Roues pour véhicules particuliers et camionnettes — Nomenclature
des masselottes d'équilibrage clippées et adhésives ainsi que des
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- adhesive balance weights have been added, which covers clip on weights only;
- nomenclature for the balance weight and test procedures and performance requirements for the adhesive weights have been included.

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Introduction

This document addresses clip and adhesive balance weights used on passenger car wheels. It provides general features and configurations of the clip balance weights, general features of the adhesive balance weights, and general features and configurations for rim dimensions relevant to clip on weights and defines terms used to describe these features.

This document provides test procedures to evaluate weight retention on the wheel.

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Passenger car and light truck vehicle wheels — Clip and adhesive balance weight and rim flange nomenclature, test procedures and performance requirements

1 Scope

This document specifies procedures and minimum performance requirements for testing without tyres the retention of balance weights for use on wheels for passenger vehicles. It also specifies general features for configurations of clip balance weights, rim flanges for light alloy and steel wheels intended for use on passenger cars and adhesive balance weights. Alternative materials and geometries can be considered in the future.

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 3911, *Wheels and rims for pneumatic tyres — Vocabulary, designation and marking*

ISO 4000-1, *Passenger car tyres and rims — Part 1: Tyres (metric series)*

ISO 4000-2, *Passenger car tyres and rims — Part 2: Rims*

ISO 4223-1, *Definitions of some terms used in the tyre industry — Part 1: Pneumatic tyres*

3 Terms and definitions

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For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 3911, ISO 4000-1, ISO 4000-2, ISO 4223-1 and the following apply.

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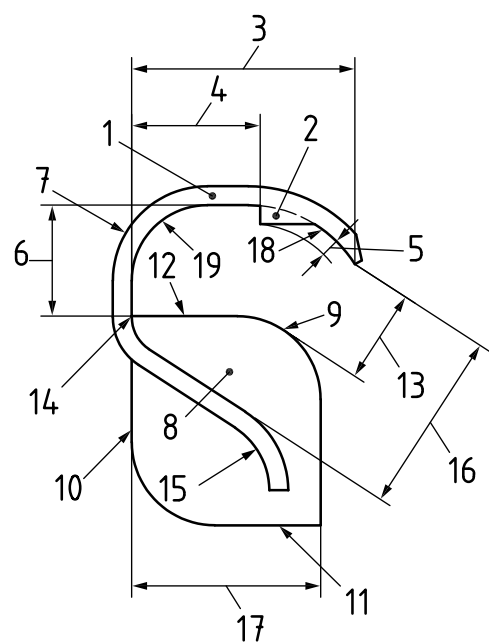
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

clip balance weight assembly

assembly of the *weight* (3.1.1) and the *clip* (3.1.3), which is intended for mounting on the *rim flange* (3.3) to balance the tyre/wheel assembly about its axis of rotation and thus minimize vibrations due to the rotation of the tyre/wheel assembly

Note 1 to entry: [Figure 1](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of balance weight assembly.



Key

| | | | | | |
|---|---------------|----|-----------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1 | clip | 7 | outer surface of clip | 13 | weight gap |
| 2 | spur | 8 | balance weight | 14 | clip insertion point |
| 3 | clip depth | 9 | contact radius | 15 | back leg of clip |
| 4 | spur location | 10 | front surface | 16 | clip gap |
| 5 | spur depth | 11 | bottom surface | 17 | weight depth |
| 6 | clip height | 12 | top surface | 18 | compound radius |
| | | 13 | weight gap | 19 | compound radius |

Figure 1 — Clip balance weight assembly terminology

3.1.1

weight

material of a specified mass with contours to conform to the surface of the *rim flange* (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: The material is recommended to be free of lead.

3.1.2

clip

specially formed metal affixed to the *weight* (3.1.1) to mount the balance weight on the *rim flange* (3.3)

3.1.3

spur

optional part of a *clip* (3.1.3) that protrudes from its surface interfacing with the *rim flange* (3.3)

3.1.4

balance weight coating

non-corrosive material coating to avoid corrosion

EXAMPLE Polyester, nylon.

3.1.5

balance weight key dimensions

dimensions that are essential for fitting the balance *weight* (3.1.1) on the *rim flange* (3.3)

3.1.6**balance weight size**

size determined by the magnitude of the balance *weight* (3.1.1) mass

Note 1 to entry: Balance weight size is expressed in grams.

3.1.7**balance weight retention force**

static force required to remove the balance *weight* (3.1.1) from the *rim flange* (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: Balance weight retention force is expressed in newtons.

3.1.8**balance weight retention**

ability of the balance *weight* (3.1.1) to maintain its secure position on the *rim flange* (3.3) in various service conditions

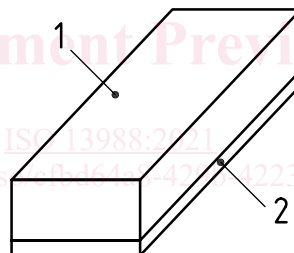
3.1.9**interference**

measure of balance *weight* (3.1.1) press fit computed as the difference between the flange thickness and the weight gap

3.2**adhesive balance weight assembly**

assembly of the *weight portion* (3.2.1) and the adhesive portion, which is intended for mounting on the rim to balance the tyre/wheel assembly about its axis of rotation and thus minimize vibrations due to the rotation of the tyre/wheel assembly

Note 1 to entry: [Figure 2](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of the adhesive balance *weight* (3.1.1) assembly.

**Key**

- 1 weight
- 2 adhesive

Figure 2 — Adhesive balance weight assembly terminology

3.2.1**weight portion**

portion of the *weight* (3.1.1) that provide mass for balancing the wheel

Note 1 to entry: The material is recommended to be free of lead.

3.2.2**tape portion**

double-sided adhesive tape with three layers: a) adhesive for the *weight portion* (3.2.1), b) a backing material, and c) adhesive for attachment to the wheel surface

3.3
rim flange

part of the rim where the *clip* (3.1.3) balance *weight* (3.1.1) is mounted

Note 1 to entry: [Figure 3](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of rim flange features for light alloy wheels.

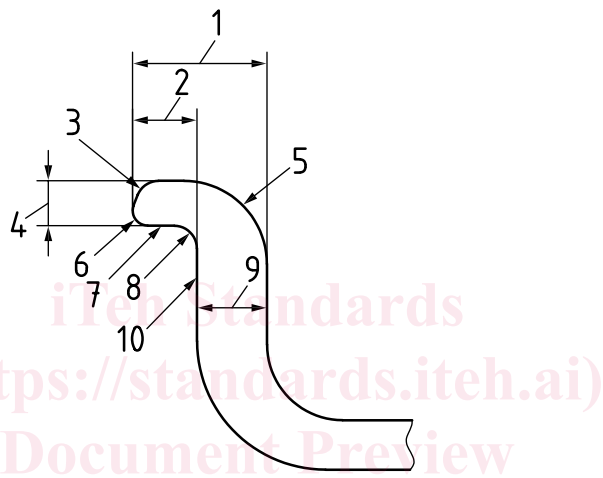
Note 2 to entry: [Figure 4](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of rim flange features for wheels with rolled formed rim.

Note 3 to entry: [Figure 5](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of rim flange features for fullface wheels.

Note 4 to entry: [Figure 6](#) gives the terminology and nomenclature of rim flange features for clad wheels.

3.3.1
rim flange key dimensions

dimensions that are essential for fitting *clip* (3.1.3) balance *weight* (3.1.1) on the *rim flange* (3.3)



Key

- | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------|--|
| 1 | flange width | ISO 639 | break corner radius at balance weight side |
| 2 | flange offset | 7 | balance weight side |
| 3 | break corner radius at tyre side | 8 | rim flange radius at balance weight side |
| 4 | flange lip thickness | 9 | flange wall thickness |
| 5 | rim flange radius at tyre side | 10 | contact surface |

Figure 3 — Light alloy rim flange terminology