
**Tools for pressing — Compression
springs with rectangular section —
Housing dimensions and colour coding**

*Outillage de presse — Ressorts de compression à section
rectangulaire — Dimensions d'encombrement et code couleur*

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

- some values of spring rate have been modified in [Table 2](#) to [Table 5](#);
- a column giving the force at maximum operating deflection has been added in [Table 2](#) to [Table 5](#).

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Tools for pressing — Compression springs with rectangular section — Housing dimensions and colour coding

1 Scope

This document establishes the technical specifications for compression springs made from rectangular wires.

The parameters set in this document are applicable to springs which are set. This document does not attempt to specify the quality of the springs themselves, nor all of their dimensions (e.g. cross-section), their material or their length of life.

The springs are classified into spring rates: light, medium, strong and extra strong. For each spring rate, this document gives a colour code.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

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:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

spring rate

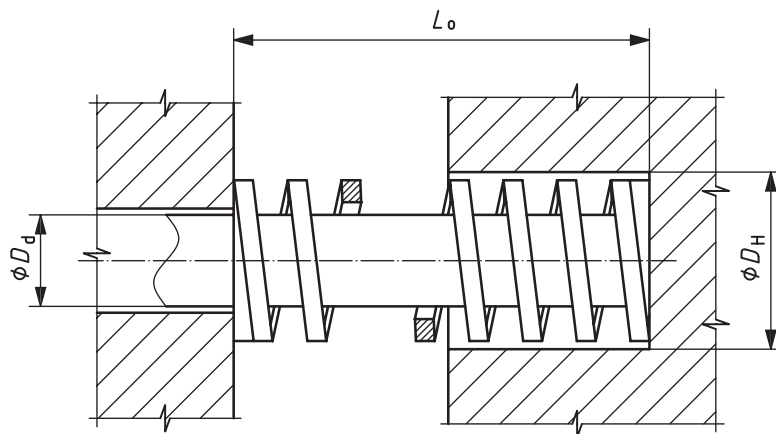
force required to deflect a compression spring by one unit of length

[SOURCE: : ISO 26909:2009, 5.21, modified — Limited the definition to compression spring.]

4 Technical specifications

4.1 General

Compression springs in accordance with this document shall comply with [Figure 1](#) and the provisions of [4.2](#) to [4.6](#).



Key

- L_o free length
- D_d rod diameter
- D_H hole diameter

Figure 1 — Compression springs

4.2 Tolerances for free length, L_o

The tolerances for free length, L_o , shall comply with [Figure 1](#) and [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Tolerances of free length

L_o mm	Tolerance
25	±1 mm
32	
38	
44	
51	
64	
76	
89	
102	±1 % L_o
115	
127	
139	
152	
178	
203	
254	
305	

4.3 Light spring rate (green)

Compression springs of light spring rate in accordance with this document shall comply with [Figure 1](#) and [Table 2](#).

Compression springs of light spring rate shall be green according to the colour code of this document.

Table 2 — Technical specifications of compression springs of light spring rate

Hole diameter	Rod diameter	Free length	Spring rate	Maximum operating deflection	Force at maximum operating deflection
D_H H15 mm	D_d h15 mm	L_0 mm	$\pm 10\%$ N/mm	40 % L_0 mm	N
10	5	25	11	10,0	110,0
		32	8,5	12,8	108,8
		38	6,8	15,2	103,4
		44	6	17,6	105,6
		51	5	20,4	102,0
		64	4,1	25,6	105,0
		76	3,6	30,4	109,4
		305	0,9	122	109,8
12,5	6,3	25	21	10,0	210,0
		32	16,4	12,8	209,9
		38	13,6	15,2	206,7
		44	12,1	17,6	213,0
		51	10,3	20,4	210,1
		64	7,6	25,6	194,6
		76	6,3	30,4	191,5
		89	5,4	35,6	192,2
		305	1,6	122	195,2
16	8	25	29	10,0	290,0
		32	22,9	12,8	293,1
		38	19,3	15,2	293,4
		44	17,1	17,6	301,0
		51	14	20,4	285,6
		64	10,7	25,6	273,9
		76	9	30,4	273,6
		89	7,3	35,6	259,9
		102	6,8	40,8	277,4
		305	2,3	122	280,6

Table 2 (continued)

Hole diameter	Rod diameter	Free length	Spring rate	Maximum operating deflection	Force at maximum operating deflection
D_H H15 mm	D_d h15 mm	L_0 mm	$\pm 10\%$ N/mm	40 % L_0 mm	N
20	10	25	55,8	10,0	558,0
		32	45	12,8	576,0
		38	36	15,2	547,2
		44	30	17,6	528,0
		51	24,5	20,4	499,8
		64	19,2	25,6	491,5
		76	16	30,4	486,4
		89	14	35,6	498,4
		102	12	40,8	489,6
		115	10,9	46,0	501,4
		127	9,5	50,8	482,6
		139	8,4	55,6	467,0
		152	7,5	60,8	456,0
		305	4	122	488,0
25	12,5	25	105	10,0	1 050,0
		32	80,3	12,8	1 027,8
		38	62	15,2	942,4
		44	52,9	17,6	931,0
		51	44	20,4	897,6
		64	35,2	25,6	901,1
		76	28	30,4	851,2
		89	24	35,6	854,4
		102	21,1	40,8	860,9
		115	18,7	46,0	860,2
		127	16,7	50,8	848,4
		139	15,3	55,6	850,7
		152	14	60,8	851,2
		178	12,5	71,2	890,0
		203	10,4	81,2	844,5
		305	7	122	854,0

Table 2 (continued)

Hole diameter	Rod diameter	Free length	Spring rate	Maximum operating deflection	Force at maximum operating deflection
D_H H15 mm	D_d h15 mm	L_0 mm	$\pm 10\%$ N/mm	40 % L_0 mm	N
32	16	38	98	15,2	1 490
		44	79,5	17,6	1 399
		51	67	20,4	1 367
		64	53	25,6	1 357
		76	44	30,4	1 338
		89	37,2	35,6	1 324
		102	32	40,8	1 306
		115	29	46,0	1 334
		127	25	50,8	1 270
		139	23	55,6	1 279
		152	21,5	60,8	1 307
		178	18,2	71,2	1 296
		203	15,8	81,2	1 283
		254	12,5	102	1 275
305	10,3	122	1 257		
40	20	51	92	20,4	1 877
		64	73	25,6	1 869
		76	63	30,4	1 915
		89	51	35,6	1 816
		102	45	40,8	1 816
		115	39,6	46,0	1 822
		127	36	50,8	1 829
		139	32	55,6	1 779
		152	28	60,8	1 702
		178	25,2	71,2	1 794
		203	21,8	81,2	1 770
		254	17	102	1 734
		305	14,8	122	1 806

Table 2 (continued)

Hole diameter	Rod diameter	Free length	Spring rate	Maximum operating deflection	Force at maximum operating deflection
D_H H15 mm	D_d h15 mm	L_0 mm	$\pm 10\%$ N/mm	40 % L_0 mm	N
50	25	64	156	25,6	3 994
		76	125	30,4	3 800
		89	109	35,6	3 880
		102	94	40,8	3 835
		115	81	46,0	3 726
		127	71	50,8	3 607
		139	66,5	55,6	3 697
		152	60	60,8	3 648
		178	52	71,2	3 702
		203	44	81,2	3 573
		254	35	102	3 570
		305	28,5	122	3 477
63	38	76	189	30,4	5 746
		89	158	35,6	5 625
		102	131	40,8	5 345
		115	116	46,0	5 336
		127	103	50,8	5 232
		152	84,3	60,8	5 125
		178	71,5	71,2	5 091
		203	61,7	81,2	5 010
		254	47	102	4 794
305	38,2	122	4 660		

4.4 Medium spring rate (blue)

Compression springs of medium spring rate in accordance with this document shall comply with [Figure 1](#) and [Table 3](#).

Compression springs of medium spring rate shall be blue according to the colour code of this document.