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- *Part 1: Tolerances for linear and angular dimensions without individual tolerance indications*
- *Part 2: Geometrical tolerances for features without individual tolerance indications*

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Introduction

All features on component parts always have a size and a geometrical shape. For the deviation of size and for the deviations of the geometrical characteristics (form, orientation and location) the function of the part requires limitations which, when exceeded, impair this function.

The tolerancing on the drawing should be complete to ensure that the elements of size and geometry of all features are controlled, i.e. nothing shall be implied or left to judgement in the workshop or in the inspection department.

The use of general tolerances for size and geometry simplifies the task of ensuring that this prerequisite is met.

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General tolerances —

Part 2: Geometrical tolerances for features without individual tolerance indications

1 Scope

This part of ISO 2768 is intended to simplify drawing indications and specifies general geometrical tolerances to control those features on the drawing which have no respective individual indication. It specifies general geometrical tolerances in three tolerance classes.

This part of ISO 2768 mainly applies to features which are produced by removal of material. Its application to features manufactured by other processes is possible; however, special examination is required to ascertain whether the customary workshop accuracy lies within the general geometrical tolerances specified in this part of ISO 2768.

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2 General

When selecting the tolerance class, the respective customary workshop accuracy has to be taken into consideration. If smaller geometrical tolerances are required or larger geometrical tolerances are permissible and more economical for any individual feature, such tolerances should be indicated directly in accordance with ISO 1101 (see clause A.2).

General geometrical tolerances in accordance with this part of ISO 2768 apply when drawings or associated specifications refer to this part of ISO 2768 in accordance with clause 6. They apply to features which do not have respective individual geometrical tolerance indications.

General geometrical tolerances apply to all geometrical tolerance characteristics, excluding cylindricity, profile of any line, profile of any surface, angularity, coaxiality, positional tolerances and total run-out.

In any event, general geometrical tolerances in accordance with this part of ISO 2768 should be used when the fundamental tolerancing principle in accordance with ISO 8015 is used and indicated on the drawing (see clause B.1).

3 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of

ISO 2768. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 2768 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1101 : 1983, *Technical drawings — Geometrical tolerancing — Tolerancing of form, orientation, location and run-out — Generalities, definitions, symbols, indications on drawings*.

ISO 2768-1 : 1989, *General tolerances — Part 1: Tolerances for linear and angular dimensions without individual tolerance indications*.

ISO 5459 : 1981, *Technical drawings — Geometrical tolerancing — Datums and datum-systems for geometrical tolerances*.

ISO 8015 : 1985, *Technical drawings — Fundamental tolerancing principle*.

4 Definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 2768, the definitions for geometrical tolerances given in ISO 1101 and ISO 5459 apply.

5 General geometrical tolerances (see also clause B.1)

5.1 Tolerances for single features

5.1.1 Straightness and flatness

The general tolerances on straightness and flatness are given in table 1. When a tolerance is selected from table 1, it shall be based, in the case of straightness, on the length of the corresponding line and, in the case of flatness, on the longer lateral length of the surface, or the diameter of the circular surface.

Table 1 — General tolerances on straightness and flatness

Values in millimetres

Tolerance class	Straightness and flatness tolerances for ranges of nominal lengths					
	up to 10	over 10 up to 30	over 30 up to 100	over 100 up to 300	over 300 up to 1 000	over 1 000 up to 3 000
H	0,02	0,05	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,4
K	0,05	0,1	0,2	0,4	0,6	0,8
L	0,1	0,2	0,4	0,8	1,2	1,6

5.1.2 Circularity

The general tolerance on circularity is equal to the numerical value of the diameter tolerance, but in no case shall it be greater than the respective tolerance value for circular radial run-out given in table 4 (see examples in clause B.2).

5.1.3 Cylindricity

General tolerances on cylindricity are not specified.

NOTES

1 The cylindricity deviation comprises three components: circularity deviation, straightness deviation and parallelism deviation of opposite generator lines. Each of these components is controlled by its individually indicated or its general tolerance.

2 If, for functional reasons, the cylindricity deviation has to be smaller than the combined effect (see clause B.3) of the general tolerances on circularity, straightness and parallelism, an individual cylindricity tolerance in accordance with ISO 1101 should be indicated for the feature concerned.

Sometimes, e.g. in the case of a fit, the indication of the envelope requirement  is appropriate.

5.2 Tolerances for related features

5.2.1 General

The tolerances specified in 5.2.2 to 5.2.6 apply to all features which are in relation to one another and which have no respective individual indication.

5.2.2 Parallelism

The general tolerance on parallelism is equal to the numerical value of the size tolerance or the flatness/straightness tolerance, whichever is the greater. The longer of the two features shall be taken as the datum; if the features are of equal nominal length, either may be taken as the datum (see clause B.4).

5.2.3 Perpendicularity

The general tolerances on perpendicularity are given in table 2. The longer of the two sides forming the right angle shall be taken as the datum; if the sides are of equal nominal length, either may be taken as the datum.

Table 2 — General tolerances on perpendicularity

Values in millimetres

Tolerance class	Perpendicularity tolerances for ranges of nominal lengths of the shorter side			
	up to 100	over 100 up to 300	over 300 up to 1 000	over 1 000 up to 3 000
H	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5
K	0,4	0,6	0,8	1
L	0,6	1	1,5	2

5.2.4 Symmetry

The general tolerances on symmetry are given in table 3. The longer of the two features shall be taken as the datum; if the features are of equal nominal length, either may be taken as the datum.

NOTE — The general tolerances on symmetry apply where

- at least one of the two features has a median plane, or
- the axes of the two features are perpendicular to each other.

See examples in clause B.5.

Table 3 — General tolerances on symmetry

Values in millimetres

Tolerance class	Symmetry tolerances for ranges of nominal lengths			
	up to 100	over 100 up to 300	over 300 up to 1 000	over 1 000 up to 3 000
H			0,5	
K		0,6	0,8	1
L	0,6	1	1,5	2

5.2.5 Coaxiality

General tolerances on coaxiality are not specified.

NOTE — The deviation in coaxiality may, in an extreme case, be as great as the tolerance value for circular radial run-out given in table 4, since the deviation in radial run-out comprises the deviation in coaxiality and the deviation in circularity.

5.2.6 Circular run-out

The general tolerances on circular run-out (radial, axial and any surface of revolution) are given in table 4.