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**ISO general purpose metric screw  
threads — Tolerances —**

Part 4:

**Limits of sizes for hot-dip galvanized  
external screw threads to mate  
with internal screw threads tapped  
with tolerance position H or G after  
galvanizing**

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 1, *Screw threads*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 965-4:1998), which has been technically revised.

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

- in [Clause 1](#), the third paragraph, including the formula for the fundamental deviation  $a_z$ , has been deleted;
- the tolerance classes 6AZ and 6AX, internal threads, have been replaced with the tolerance class 6az, external threads (NOTE of Clause 1 in ISO 965-4:1998; first paragraph of Clause 4 in ISO 965-4:2021);
- in [Table 1](#), the deviation values for the minor diameter of external threads, stress calculation, have been deleted, and M8 is added;
- the phrase “basic profiles” has been replaced by “basic profile and fundamental deviation” (fourth paragraph of Clause 6 in ISO 965-4:1998; fifth paragraph of Clause 7 in ISO 965-4:2021);
- in [Table 2](#), the maximum values for the minor diameter of external threads, stress calculation, have been deleted, and M8 is added.
- an informative annex is added for the external screw thread minor diameter,  $d_3$ , used by ISO/TC 2 to calculate the nominal stress area,  $A_{s,nom}$ .

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# ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances —

## Part 4:

## Limits of sizes for hot-dip galvanized external screw threads to mate with internal screw threads tapped with tolerance position H or G after galvanizing

### 1 Scope

This document specifies limit deviations and limits of sizes for the pitch and crest diameters of the hot-dip galvanized metric external screw threads conforming to the coarse thread series of ISO 262 (from M8 to M64) having a basic profile according to ISO 68-1.

This document is applicable to the hot-dip galvanized metric external screw threads to mate with the internal screw threads tapped with tolerance position H or G after galvanizing.

### 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 965-1, *ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 1: Principles and basic data*

ISO 965-5, *ISO general purpose metric screw threads — Tolerances — Part 5: Limits of sizes for internal screw threads to mate with hot-dip galvanized external screw threads with maximum size of tolerance position h before galvanizing*

ISO 5408, *Screw threads — Vocabulary*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 5408 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/>

### 4 General

After the hot-dip galvanization the external threaded products with the tolerance class 6az shall be centrifuged immediately.

Products made with thread tolerances in accordance with this document may show lower ultimate tensile loads than the full loadability specified in ISO 898-1 due to reduction of the stress area.

External screw threads with thread tolerances according to this document shall not be mated with internal screw threads with thread tolerances in accordance with ISO 965-5 because such combinations will create severe risk for thread stripping.

## 5 Designation

The complete designation of metric screw threads shall be done according to ISO 965-1.

The tolerance class designation for external screw threads, ISO 965-4, is 6az.

EXAMPLE M12 - 6az

## 6 Limit deviations

The limit deviations for external screw threads are specified in [Table 1](#). They are derived from [Formula \(1\)](#) for fundamental deviations and from tolerances specified in ISO 965-1.

The fundamental deviation,  $es_{az}$ , is calculated according to [Formula \(1\)](#):

$$es_{az} = -(300 + 20P) \quad (1)$$

where

$es_{az}$  is the fundamental deviation, expressed in micrometres;

$P$  is the pitch, expressed in millimetres.

Table 1 — Limit deviations

Thread	Pitch $P$	External thread tolerance class 6az			
		Pitch diameter		Major diameter	
		$es$	$ei$	$es$	$ei$
	mm	$\mu\text{m}$	$\mu\text{m}$	$\mu\text{m}$	$\mu\text{m}$
M8	1,25	-325	-443	-325	-537
M10	1,5	-330	-462	-330	-566
M12	1,75	-335	-485	-335	-600
M14, M16	2	-340	-500	-340	-620
M18, M20, M22	2,5	-350	-520	-350	-685
M24, M27	3	-360	-560	-360	-735
M30, M33	3,5	-370	-582	-370	-795
M36, M39	4	-380	-604	-380	-855
M42, M45	4,5	-390	-626	-390	-890
M48, M52	5	-400	-650	-400	-930
M56, M60	5,5	-410	-675	-410	-970
M64	6	-420	-700	-420	-1020

## 7 Limits of sizes – External screw threads – Coarse thread series

Tolerance quality: medium

Thread engagement group: normal

Tolerance class: 6az

The limits of sizes for external screw threads are specified in [Table 2](#).

The actual root contour shall not at any point transgress the basic profile and fundamental deviation.

For hot-dip galvanized screw threads, the tolerances apply to the parts before galvanizing. After galvanizing, the actual thread profile shall not at any point transgress the maximum material limits for tolerance position h and are intended to mate with internal screw threads of tolerance position H or G only.

NOTE See [Annex A](#) for the external screw thread minor diameter,  $d_3$ , used by ISO/TC 2 to calculate the nominal stress area,  $A_{s,nom}$ .

**Table 2 — External thread limits of sizes for tolerance class 6az**

Dimensions in millimetres

Thread	Length of thread engagement		Major diameter		Pitch diameter		Root radius
	>	≤	max	min	max	min	0,125P min
M8	4	12	7,675	7,463	6,863	6,745	0,156
M10	5	15	9,670	9,434	8,696	8,564	0,188
M12	6	18	11,665	11,400	10,528	10,378	0,219
M14	8	24	13,660	13,380	12,361	12,201	0,250
M16	8	24	15,660	15,380	14,361	14,201	0,250
M18	10	30	17,650	17,315	16,026	15,856	0,313
M20	10	30	19,650	19,315	18,026	17,856	0,313
M22	10	30	21,650	21,315	20,026	19,856	0,313
M24	12	36	23,640	23,265	21,691	21,491	0,375
M27	12	36	26,640	26,265	24,691	24,491	0,375
M30	15	45	29,630	29,205	27,357	27,145	0,438
M33	15	45	32,630	32,205	30,357	30,145	0,438
M36	18	53	35,620	35,145	33,022	32,798	0,500
M39	18	53	38,620	38,145	36,022	35,798	0,500
M42	21	63	41,610	41,110	38,687	38,451	0,563
M45	21	63	44,610	44,110	41,687	41,451	0,563
M48	24	71	47,600	47,070	44,352	44,102	0,625
M52	24	71	51,600	51,070	48,352	48,102	0,625
M56	28	85	55,590	55,030	52,018	51,753	0,688
M60	28	85	59,590	59,030	56,018	55,753	0,688
M64	32	95	63,580	62,980	59,683	59,403	0,750

## Annex A (informative)

### External screw thread minor diameters, $d_3$ , used by ISO/TC 2 for the calculation of nominal stress area, $A_{s,nom}$

#### A.1 External screw thread minor diameters, $d_3$

The external screw thread minor diameters,  $d_3$ , used by ISO/TC 2 for the calculation of nominal stress area,  $A_{s,nom}$ , are given in [Table A.1](#).

The external screw thread minor diameters,  $d_3$ , are calculated according to [Formula \(A.1\)](#).

$$d_3 = d_1 - H/6 + es_{az} = d - 2 \times 5H/8 - H/6 + es_{az} \quad (A.1)$$

**Table A.1 — External screw thread minor diameters,  $d_3$ , used by ISO/TC 2 for the calculation of nominal stress area,  $A_{s,nom}$**

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal diameter $d$	Pitch $P$	$es_{az}$ $\mu m$	External screw thread minor diameters, $d_3$ , for stress calculation
8	1,25	-325	6,141
10	1,5	-330	7,830
12	1,75	-335	9,518
14	2	-340	11,206
16	2	-340	13,206
18	2,5	-350	14,583
20	2,5	-350	16,583
22	2,5	-350	18,583
24	3	-360	19,959
27	3	-360	22,959
30	3,5	-370	25,336
33	3,5	-370	28,336
36	4	-380	30,713
39	4	-380	33,713
42	4,5	-390	36,089
45	4,5	-390	39,089
48	5	-400	41,466
52	5	-400	45,466
56	5,5	-410	48,842
60	5,5	-410	52,842
64	6	-420	56,219



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