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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 8, *Ships and marine technology*, Subcommittee SC 4, *Outfitting and deck machinery*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 6325:1987), which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

- in [Figure 3](#), a combined track and roller stopper with adjust block has been added;
- in [4.2](#), the nominal size of the cable stopper corresponding to the nominal size of anchor chain has been added according to ISO 1704;
- in [5.1](#), designed environmental conditions and material requirements have been added;
- in [5.7](#), location design requirements of cable stopper have been added;
- in [Clause 6](#), functional, operational and installation requirements have been added;
- in [Clause 7](#), acceptance tests requirements have been added;
- Annex A and Annex B have been deleted.

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# Ships and marine technology — Cable stoppers

## 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for the types, sizes, design, construction, strength, safety, function, operation, installation and acceptance tests of cable stoppers.

This document is applicable to the design, manufacturing and acceptance tests of cable stoppers for use with marine windlasses and anchor capstans as defined in ISO 4568.

## 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 1704, *Ships and marine technology — Stud-link anchor chains*

ISO 3828, *Shipbuilding and marine structures — Deck machinery — Vocabulary and symbols*

ISO 4568, *Ships and marine technology — Sea-going vessels — Windlasses and anchor capstans*

ISO 7825:2017, *Shipbuilding — Deck machinery — General requirements*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 3828, ISO 4568 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology 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 cable stopper

device which is secured to the ship's structure, separate from the cable lifter, for the purpose of securing a chain cable against the tension from the anchor

Note 1 to entry: The stopper also serves as a guide for the chain cable during operation.

### 3.2 class A cable stopper

*cable stopper* (3.1) designed and constructed to withstand, without permanent deformation, 80 % of the nominal breaking load of the maximum diameter and the highest chain cable grade for which it is intended

### 3.3 class B cable stopper

*cable stopper* (3.1) designed and constructed to withstand, without permanent deformation, 40 % of the nominal breaking load of the maximum diameter and the highest chain cable grade for which it is intended

3.4

**right-hand cable stopper**

*cable stopper (3.1) which is operated from the right-hand side when seen from the cable lifter*

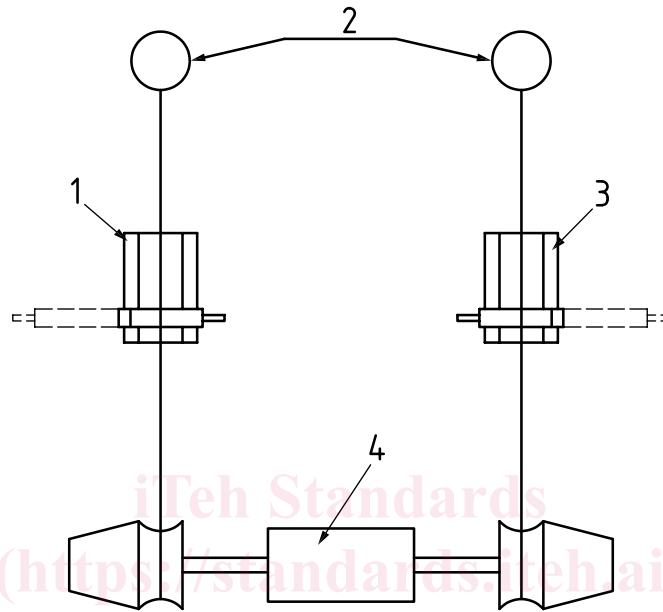
Note 1 to entry: The right-hand cable stopper is shown in [Figure 1](#).

3.5

**left-hand cable stopper**

*cable stopper (3.1) which is operated from the left-hand side when seen from the cable lifter*

Note 1 to entry: The left-hand cable stopper side is shown in [Figure 1](#).



**Key**

- |                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 left-hand cable stopper | 3 right-hand cable stopper |
| 2 hawse pipe              | 4 windlass                 |

**Figure 1 — Cable stopper side**

3.6

**chain cable grade**

classification determined by the nominal tensile strength of the chain cable steel used for manufacturing

Note 1 to entry: Stud link chain cables are to be subdivided into grades 1, 2 and 3.

[SOURCE: IACS, UR W18]

**4 Types and sizes**

**4.1 Main types**

4.1.1 There are two types of cable stoppers according to the structure and function: the fixing cable stopper and adjusting type cable stopper.

4.1.2 Fixing cable stoppers include the following:

- track-type stopper (T type): this is the cable stopper over which the chain cable passes by sliding. It has a track to guide and keep the chain cable in place. See [Figure 2 a](#)).