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FOREWORD

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United Kingdom

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1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies a range of sizes for sheet-fed printing machines.

It applies to all types of sheet-fed printing machines including letterpress, litho, gravure, copperplate, etc.

2 REFERENCES

ISO 216, *Trimmed sizes of writing paper and certain classes of printed matter — A and B series.*

ISO 478, *Paper — Untrimmed stock sizes for the ISO-A series — ISO primary range.*

ISO 593, *Paper — Untrimmed stock sizes for the ISO-A series — ISO supplementary range.*

3 DEFINITION

size of a sheet-fed printing machine : The maximum paper size that the machine can accept.

4 RANGE OF SIZES

The range of sizes for sheet-fed printing machines and the designation of these sizes are specified in the table.

Values in centimetres

Designation	Principal series	Secondary series
P 160	122 × 160	
P 142	102 × 142	
P 128		90 × 128
P 102	71 × 102	
P 96		66 × 96
P 71	51 × 71	
P 64		46 × 64
P 51	35,5 × 51	

5 EXAMPLE OF DESIGNATION

A P 102 sheet-fed printing machine is a machine which will accept sheets of 71 cm × 102 cm.

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