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FOREWORD

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0 INTRODUCTION

It is not always possible to lift freight containers with the specially designed fittings, and therefore it is important for safety to set out the basic requirements for hooks which may be used for this purpose.

1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies basic requirements for point eye hooks capable of being used for lifting freight containers of up to 30 tonnes (see ISO/R 668 and ISO/R 830) which are equipped with top corner fittings complying with ISO/R 1161.

Any standard hook satisfying these basic requirements may be selected.

2 REFERENCES

ISO/R 668, *Dimensions and ratings of freight containers.*

ISO/R 830, *Terminology relating to freight containers.*

ISO/R 1161, *Specification of corner fittings for series 1 freight containers.*

ISO 2141, *Lifting hooks – General characteristics.*

3 LIFTING CAPACITY

The minimum lifting capacity of the hooks shall be 8 tonnes.

4 GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

The general conditions of acceptance are as given in ISO 2141, subject to the specific requirements of this International Standard.

5 CONDITIONS OF USE

It is assumed that the load will be reasonably evenly distributed, and in the case of loads above 25 tonnes the angle of tilt of the freight container shall not exceed 10° in any direction.

The hooks shall be used in sets of four and shall be attached to a lifting frame as shown in Figure 1 in order that they may lift vertically. The lifting frame shall be sufficiently flexible to allow the load to be evenly distributed between each of the hooks.

The connections between the hooks and the lifting frame shall be of equal length and of sufficient length and flexibility to enable the hook to be manipulated to engage the corner fitting (see Figure 2) in the correct position for lifting.

6 ACCEPTABLE DIMENSIONS

The basic dimensional requirements for the hooks are given in Figure 3. They take into account the manufacturing tolerances of the corner fittings of the freight containers.

7 MARKING

The following marks shall be permanently and legibly stamped or embossed on a non-stressed part of the hook :

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