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# **European foreword**

This document (prEN 1090-2:2017) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 135 "Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures", the secretariat of which is held by SN.

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This document is part of the EN 1090 series, which comprises the following parts:

- EN 1090-1, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures Part 1: Assessment and verification of constancy of performance for structural components
- EN 1090-2, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures Part 2: Technical requirements for steel structures
- EN 1090-3, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures Part 3: Technical requirements for aluminium structures
- EN 1090-4, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures Part 4: Technical requirements for cold-formed structural steel elements and cold-formed structures for roof, ceiling, floor and wall applications
- EN 1090-5, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures Part 5: Technical requirements for cold-formed structural aluminium elements and cold-formed structures for roof, ceiling, floor and wall applications

Technical requirements for cold-formed structural steel elements members and sheeting and cold-formed steel structures for roof, ceiling, floor, wall, and cladding applications have been removed from this Part of the EN 1090 series, as they are given in prEN 1090-4.

Informative Annex B giving guidance for the determination of execution class has been removed and normative requirements for the selection of execution class are now included in of EN 1993-1-1, Annex C.

A new informative Annex D has been included giving guidance on a procedure for checking the capability of thermal cutting processes.

A new informative Annex I has been included giving guidance on determination of the loss of preload from thick coatings on contact surfaces in preloaded connections.

Normative Annex J "Use of compressible washer-type direct tension indicators" has been removed.

A new informative Annex L has been included giving guidance on the selection of weld inspection classes.

Other annexes have been renumbered accordingly:

- Annex D becomes Annex B;
- Annex K becomes Annex J;
- Annex L becomes Annex K;

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Annexes A, C, E, F, G, H and M have not been renumbered.

There have been some amendments included in these annexes.

The main text contains some changes. It includes updated cross-references to supporting standards and some corrections.



# Introduction

This European Standard specifies requirements for execution of steel structures, in order to ensure adequate levels of mechanical resistance and stability, serviceability and durability.

This European Standard specifies requirements for execution of steel structures in particular those that are designed according to the EN 1993 series and the steel parts of composite steel and concrete structures designed according to the EN 1994 series.

This European Standard presupposes that the work is carried out with the necessary skill and adequate equipment and resources to perform the work in accordance with the execution specification and the requirements of this European Standard.

# 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies requirements for execution of structural steelwork as structures or as manufactured components, produced from:

- hot rolled, structural steel products up to and including grade S690;
- cold formed components and sheeting up to and including grades S700 (unless coming within the scope of prEN 1090-4);
- hot finished or cold formed austenitic, austenitic-ferritic and ferritic stainless steel products:
- hot finished and cold formed structural hollow sections, including standard range and custommade rolled products and hollow sections manufactured by welding.

For cold formed components, sheeting, and cold formed structural hollow sections that are within the scope of prEN 1090-4, the requirements of prEN 1090-4 take precedence over corresponding requirements in this European Standard.

This European Standard may also be used for structural steel grades up to and including S960, provided that conditions for execution are verified against reliability criteria and any necessary additional requirements are specified.

This European Standard specifies requirements, which are mostly independent of the type and shape of the steel structure (e.g. buildings, bridges, plated or latticed components) including structures subjected to fatigue or seismic actions. Certain requirements are differentiated in terms of execution classes.

This European Standard applies to structures designed according to the relevant part of the EN 1993 series. With respect to the execution of piling designed to EN 1993-5, this European Standard applies to the execution of anchors, walings, bracings, connections and fabricated piles but does not supersede the execution requirements given in EN 12699 or EN 14199.

This European Standard applies to steel components in composite steel and concrete structures designed according to the relevant part of the EN 1994 series.

This European Standard may be used for structures designed according to other design rules provided that conditions for execution comply with them and any necessary additional requirements are specified.

This European Standard includes the requirements for the welding of reinforcing steels to structural steels. This European Standard does not include the execution of reinforcing steels for concrete applications.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

### 2.1 Constituent products

#### **2.1.1 Steels**

EN 10017, Steel rod for drawing and/or cold rolling - Dimensions and tolerances

EN 10021, General technical delivery conditions for steel products

EN 10024, Hot rolled taper flange I sections - Tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10025-1, Hot rolled products of structural steels - Part 1: General technical delivery conditions

EN 10025-2, Hot rolled products of structural steels - Part 2: Technical delivery conditions for non-alloy structural steels

EN 10025-3, Hot rolled products of structural steels - Part 3: Technical delivery conditions for normalized/normalized rolled weldable fine grain structural steels

EN 10025-4, Hot rolled products of structural steels - Part 4: Technical delivery conditions for thermomechanical rolled weldable fine grain structural steels

EN 10025-5, Hot rolled products of structural steels - Part 5: Technical delivery conditions for structural steels with improved atmospheric corrosion resistance

EN 10025-6, Hot rolled products of structural steels — Part 6: Technical delivery conditions for flat products of high yield strength structural steels in the quenched and tempered condition

EN 10029, Hot-rolled steel plates 3 mm thick or above - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN 10034, Structural steel I and H sections - Tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10048, Hot rolled narrow steel strip - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN 10051, Continuously hot-rolled strip and plate/sheet cut from wide strip of non-alloy and alloy steels - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN~10055, Hot rolled steel equal flange tees with radiused root and toes - Dimensions and tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10056-1, Structural steel equal and unequal leg angles - Part 1: Dimensions

EN 10056-2, Structural steel equal and unequal leg angles - Part 2: Tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10058, Hot rolled flat steel bars for general purposes - Dimensions and tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10059, Hot rolled square steel bars for general purposes - Dimensions and tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10060, Hot rolled round steel bars for general purposes - Dimensions and tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10061, Hot rolled hexagon steel bars for general purposes - Dimensions and tolerances on shape and dimensions

EN 10080, Steel for the reinforcement of concrete - Weldable reinforcing steel - General

EN 10088 (all parts), Stainless steels

EN 10088-4:2009, Stainless steels - Part 4: Technical delivery conditions for sheet/plate and strip of corrosion resisting steels for construction purposes

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EN 10088-5:2009, Stainless steels - Part 5: Technical delivery conditions for bars, rods, wire, sections and bright products of corrosion resisting steels for construction purposes

EN 10131, Cold rolled uncoated and zinc or zinc-nickel electrolytically coated low carbon and high yield strength steel flat products for cold forming - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN 10139, Cold rolled uncoated low carbon steel narrow strip for cold forming - Technical delivery conditions

EN 10140, Cold rolled narrow steel strip - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN 10143, Continuously hot-dip coated steel sheet and strip - Tolerances on dimensions and shape

EN 10149 (all parts), Hot rolled flat products made of high yield strength steels for cold forming

EN 10163 (all parts), Delivery requirements for surface condition of hot-rolled steel plates, wide flats and sections

EN 10164, Steel products with improved deformation properties perpendicular to the surface of the product - Technical delivery conditions

EN 10169, Continuously organic coated (coil coated) steel flat products — Technical delivery conditions

EN 10204, Metallic products - Types of inspection documents

EN 10210-1, Hot finished structural hollow sections of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Part 1: Technical delivery conditions

EN 10210-2, Hot finished structural hollow sections of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Part 2: Tolerances, dimensions and sectional properties

EN 10219-1, Cold formed welded structural hollow sections of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Part 1: Technical delivery conditions

EN 10219-2, Cold formed welded structural hollow sections of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Part 2: Tolerances, dimensions and sectional properties

EN 10268, Cold rolled steel flat products with high yield strength for cold forming — Technical delivery conditions

EN 10279, Hot rolled steel channels - Tolerances on shape, dimensions and mass

EN 10296-2:2005, Welded circular steel tubes for mechanical and general engineering purposes - Technical delivery conditions - Part 2: Stainless steel

EN 10297-2:2005, Seamless circular steel tubes for mechanical and general engineering purposes - Technical delivery conditions - Part 2: Stainless steel

EN 10346, Continuously hot-dip coated steel flat products for cold forming - Technical delivery conditions

EN ISO 1127, Stainless steel tubes - Dimensions, tolerances and conventional masses per unit length (ISO 1127)

EN ISO 9444-2, Continuously hot-rolled stainless steel - Tolerances on dimensions and form - Part 2: Wide strip and sheet/plate (ISO 9444-2)

EN ISO 9445 (all parts), Continuously cold-rolled stainless steel - Tolerances on dimensions and form - Part 1: Narrow strip and cut lengths (ISO 9445)

EN ISO 18286, Hot-rolled stainless steel plates - Tolerances on dimensions and shape (ISO 18286)

ISO 4997, Cold-reduced carbon steel sheet of structural quality

### 2.1.2 Steel castings

EN 1559-1, Founding - Technical conditions of delivery - Part 1: General

EN 1559-2, Founding - Technical conditions of delivery - Part 2: Additional requirements for steel castings

EN 10340, Steel castings for structural uses

# 2.1.3 Welding consumables

EN ISO 636, Welding consumables - Rods, wires and deposits for tungsten inert gas welding of non-alloy and fine-grain steels - Classification (ISO 636)

EN ISO 2560, Welding consumables - Covered electrodes for manual metal arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Classification (ISO 2560)

EN ISO 3581, Welding consumables - Covered electrodes for manual metal arc welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels - Classification (ISO 3581)

EN ISO 13918, Welding - Studs and ceramic ferrules for arc stud welding (ISO 13918)

EN ISO 14171, Welding consumables - Solid wire electrodes, tubular cored electrodes and electrode/flux combinations for submerged arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels - Classification (ISO 14171)

EN ISO 14174, Welding consumables - Fluxes for submerged arc welding and electroslag welding - Classification (ISO 14174)

EN ISO 14175, Welding consumables - Gases and gas mixtures for fusion welding and allied processes (ISO 14175)

EN ISO 14341, Welding consumables - Wire electrodes and weld deposits for gas shielded metal arc welding of non alloy and fine grain steels - Classification (ISO 14341)

EN ISO 14343, Welding consumables - Wire electrodes, strip electrodes, wires and rods for arc welding of stainless and heat resisting steels - Classification (ISO 14343)

EN ISO 16834, Welding consumables - Wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits for gas shielded arc welding of high strength steels - Classification (ISO 16834)

EN ISO 17632, Welding consumables - Tubular cored electrodes for gas shielded and non-gas shielded metal arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels - Classification (ISO 17632)

EN ISO 17633, Welding consumables - Tubular cored electrodes and rods for gas shielded and non-gas shielded metal arc welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels - Classification (ISO 17633)

EN ISO 18275, Welding consumables - Covered electrodes for manual metal arc welding of high-strength steels - Classification (ISO 18275)

EN ISO 18276, Welding consumables - Tubular cored electrodes for gas-shielded and non-gas-shielded metal arc welding of high-strength steels - Classification (ISO 18276)

EN ISO 26304, Welding consumables - Solid wire electrodes, tubular cored electrodes and electrode-flux combinations for submerged arc welding of high strength steels - Classification (ISO 26304)

#### 2.1.4 Mechanical fasteners

EN 14399 (all parts), High-strength structural bolting assemblies for preloading

EN 14399-2:2015, High-strength structural bolting assemblies for preloading - Part 2: Suitability for preloading

EN 15048 (all parts), Non-preloaded structural bolting assemblies

EN ISO 898-1, Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel - Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs with specified property classes - Coarse thread and fine pitch thread (ISO 898-1)

EN ISO 898-2, Mechanical properties of fasteners made of carbon steel and alloy steel - Part 2: Nuts with specified property classes - Coarse thread and fine pitch thread (ISO 898-2)

EN ISO 3506-1, Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners - Part 1: Bolts, screws and studs (ISO 3506-1)

EN ISO 3506-2, Mechanical properties of corrosion-resistant stainless steel fasteners - Part 2: Nuts (ISO 3506-2)

EN ISO 4042, Fasteners - Electroplated coatings (ISO 4042)

EN ISO 6789, Assembly tools for screws and nuts - Hand torque tools - Requirements and test methods for design conformance testing, quality conformance testing and recalibration procedure (ISO 6789)

EN ISO 7089, Plain washers - Normal series - Product grade A (ISO 7089)

EN ISO 7090, Plain washers, chamfered - Normal series - Product grade A (ISO 7090)

EN ISO 7091, Plain washers - Normal series - Product grade C (ISO 7091)

EN ISO 7092, Plain washers - Small series - Product grade A (ISO 7092)

EN ISO 7093-1, Plain washers - Large series - Part 1: Product grade A (ISO 7093-1)

EN ISO 7094, Plain washers - Extra large series - Product grade C (ISO 7094)

EN ISO 10684, Fasteners - Hot dip galvanized coatings (ISO 10684)

EN ISO 21670, Fasteners - Hexagon weld nuts with flange (ISO 21670)

# 2.1.5 High strength cables

prEN 10138-3, Prestressing steels — Part 3: Strand

EN 10244-2, Steel wire and wire products - Non-ferrous metallic coatings on steel wire - Part 2: Zinc or zinc alloy coatings

EN 10264-3, Steel wire and wire products - Steel wire for ropes - Part 3: Round and shaped non alloyed steel wire for high duty applications

EN 10264-4, Steel wire and wire products - Steel wire for ropes - Part 4: Stainless steel wire

EN 12385-1, Steel wire ropes — Safety — Part 1: General requirements

EN 12385-10, Steel wire ropes — Safety — Part 10: Spiral ropes for general structural applications

EN 13411-4, Terminations for steel wire ropes - Safety - Part 4: Metal and resin socketing

# 2.1.6 Structural bearings

EN 1337-2, Structural bearings - Part 2: Sliding elements

EN 1337-3, Structural bearings - Part 3: Elastomeric bearings

EN 1337-4, Structural bearings - Part 4: Roller bearings

EN 1337-5, Structural bearings - Part 5: Pot bearings

EN 1337-6, Structural bearings - Part 6: Rocker bearings

EN 1337-7, Structural bearings - Part 7: Spherical and cylindrical PTFE bearings

EN 1337-8, Structural bearings - Part 8: Guide Bearings and Restraint Bearings

#### 2.2 Preparation

EN ISO 286-2, Geometrical product specifications (GPS) - ISO code system for tolerances on linear sizes - Part 2: Tables of standard tolerance classes and limit deviations for holes and shafts (ISO 286-2)

EN ISO 9013, Thermal cutting - Classification of thermal cuts - Geometrical product specification and quality tolerances (ISO 9013)

CEN/TR 10347, Guidance for forming of structural steels in processing

#### 2.3 Welding

EN 1011-1, Welding — Recommendations for welding of metallic materials — Part 1: General guidance for arc welding

EN 1011-2:2001, Welding - Recommendations for welding of metallic materials - Part 2: Arc welding of ferritic steels

 ${\tt EN\,1011-3}$ ,  ${\tt Welding\,\textsc{-}Recommendations}$  for welding of metallic materials -  ${\tt Part\,3:Arc}$  welding of stainless steels

EN ISO 3834 (all parts), *Quality requirements for fusion welding of metallic materials - Part 1: Criteria for the selection of the appropriate level of quality requirements (ISO 3834)* 

# prEN 1090-2:2017 (E)

EN ISO 5817:2014, Welding - Fusion-welded joints in steel, nickel, titanium and their alloys (beam welding excluded) - Quality levels for imperfections (ISO 5817:2014)

EN ISO 9606-1:2013, Qualification testing of welders - Fusion welding - Part 1: Steels (ISO 9606-1:2012 including Cor 1:2012)

EN ISO 9692-1, Welding and allied processes - Types of joint preparation - Part 1: Manual metal arc welding, gas-shielded metal arc welding, gas welding, TIG welding and beam welding of steels (ISO 9692-1)

EN ISO 9692-2, Welding and allied processes - Joint preparation - Part 2: Submerged arc welding of steels (ISO 9692-2)

EN ISO 11970, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for production welding of steel castings (ISO 11970)

EN ISO 13916, Welding - Guidance on the measurement of preheating temperature, interpass temperature and preheat maintenance temperature (ISO 13916)

EN ISO 14554 (all parts), Quality requirements for welding — Resistance welding of metallic materials (ISO 14554)

EN ISO 14555, Welding - Arc stud welding of metallic materials (ISO 14555)

EN ISO 14731:2005, Welding coordination - Tasks and responsibilities (ISO 14731:2006)

EN ISO 14732, Welding personnel - Qualification testing of welding operators and weld setters for mechanized and automatic welding of metallic materials (ISO 14732)

EN ISO 15607, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - General rules (ISO 15607)

EN ISO 15609 (all parts), Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials (ISO 15609)

EN ISO 15610, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Qualification based on tested welding consumables (ISO 15610)

EN ISO 15611, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Qualification based on previous welding experience (ISO 15611)

EN ISO 15612, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Qualification by adoption of a standard welding procedure (ISO 15612)

EN ISO 15613, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Qualification based on pre-production welding test (ISO 15613)

EN ISO 15614-1, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test - Part 1: Arc and gas welding of steels and arc welding of nickel and nickel alloys (ISO 15614-1)

EN ISO 15614-11, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test - Part 11: Electron and laser beam welding (ISO 15614-11)

EN ISO 15614-12, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test - Part 12: Spot, seam and projection welding (ISO 15614-12)

EN ISO 15614-13, Specification and qualification of welding procedures for metallic materials - Welding procedure test - Part 13: Upset (resistance butt) and flash welding (ISO 15614-13)

EN ISO 15620, Welding - Friction welding of metallic materials (ISO 15620)

EN ISO 17652-1, Welding - Test for shop primers in relation to welding and allied processes - Part 1: General requirements (ISO 17652-1)

EN ISO 17652-2, Welding - Test for shop primers in relation to welding and allied processes - Part 2: Welding properties of shop primers (ISO 17652-2)

EN ISO 17652-3, Welding - Test for shop primers in relation to welding and allied processes - Part 3: Thermal cutting (ISO 17652-3)

EN ISO 17652-4, Welding - Test for shop primers in relation to welding and allied processes - Part 4: Emission of fumes and gases (ISO 17652-4)

EN ISO 17660-1:2006, Welding - Welding of reinforcing steel - Part 1: Load-bearing welded joints (ISO 17660-1:2006)

EN ISO 17660-2, Welding - Welding of reinforcing steel - Part 2: Non load-bearing welded joints (ISO 17660-2)

ISO/TR 20172, Welding — Grouping systems for materials — European materials

ISO/TR 20173, Welding — Grouping systems for materials — American materials

ISO/TR 20174, Welding — Grouping systems for materials — Japanese materials

# 2.4 Testing

EN 10160, Ultrasonic testing of steel flat product of thickness equal or greater than 6 mm (reflection method)

EN ISO 3452-1, Non-destructive testing - Penetrant testing - Part 1: General principles (ISO 3452-1)

EN ISO 6507 (all parts), *Metallic materials* — *Vickers hardness test (ISO 6507)* 

EN ISO 9018, Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials - Tensile test on cruciform and lapped joints (ISO 9018)

EN ISO 9712, Non-destructive testing - Qualification and certification of NDT personnel (ISO 9712)

EN ISO 17635:2010, Non-destructive testing of welds - General rules for metallic materials (ISO 17635:2010)

EN ISO 17636 (all parts), Non-destructive testing of welds - Radiographic testing (ISO 17636)

EN ISO 17637, Non-destructive testing of welds - Visual testing of fusion-welded joints (ISO 17637)

EN ISO 17638, Non-destructive testing of welds - Magnetic particle testing (ISO 17638)

# prEN 1090-2:2017 (E)

EN ISO 17640, Non-destructive testing of welds — Ultrasonic testing — Techniques, testing levels and assessment (ISO 17640)

EN ISO 23279, Non-destructive testing of welds — Ultrasonic testing — Characterization of indications in welds (ISO 23279)

#### 2.5 Erection

EN 1337-11, Structural bearings - Part 11: Transport, storage and installation

ISO 4463 (all parts), Measurement methods for building — Setting-out and measurement

# 2.6 Corrosion protection

EN ISO 1461, Hot dip galvanized coatings on fabricated iron and steel articles - Specifications and test methods (ISO 1461)

EN ISO 2063, Thermal spraying - Metallic and other inorganic coatings - Zinc, aluminium and their alloys (ISO 2063)

EN ISO 2808, Paints and varnishes - Determination of film thickness (ISO 2808)

EN ISO 8501 (all parts), Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products — Visual assessment of surface cleanliness (ISO 8501)

EN ISO 8502 (all parts), Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products - Tests for the assessment of surface (ISO 8502-2)

EN ISO 8503 (all parts), Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products - Surface roughness characteristics of blast-cleaned steel substrates (ISO 8503)

EN ISO 8504 (all parts), Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products - Surface preparation methods (ISO 8504-1)

EN ISO 12670, Thermal spraying - Components with thermally sprayed coatings - Technical supply conditions (ISO 12670)

EN ISO 12679, Thermal spraying - Recommendations for thermal spraying (ISO 12679)

EN ISO 12944 (all parts), Paints and varnishes - Corrosion protection of steel structures by protective paint systems (ISO 12944)

EN ISO 14713-1, Zinc coatings - Guidelines and recommendations for the protection against corrosion of iron and steel in structures - Part 1: General principles of design and corrosion resistance (ISO 14713-1)

EN ISO 14713-2, Zinc coatings - Guidelines and recommendations for the protection against corrosion of iron and steel in structures - Part 2: Hot dip galvanizing (ISO 14713-2)

ISO 19840, Paints and varnishes — Corrosion protection of steel structures by protective paint systems — Measurement of, and acceptance criteria for, the thickness of dry films on rough surfaces

#### 2.7 Miscellaneous

prEN 1090-4, Execution of steel structures and aluminium structures - Part 4: Technical requirements for cold-formed structural steel elements and cold-formed structures for roof, ceiling, floor and wall applications

EN 1991-1-6, Eurocode 1 - Actions on structures - Part 1-6: General actions - Actions during execution

EN 1993 (all parts), Eurocode 3 — Design of steel structures

EN 1993-1-1, Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures - Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings

EN 1993-1-6, Eurocode 3 - Design of steel structures - Part 1-6: Strength and Stability of Shell Structures

EN 1993-1-8, Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures - Part 1-8: Design of joints

EN 1993-1-9, Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures - Part 1-9: Fatigue

EN 1993-2, Eurocode 3 - Design of steel structures - Part 2: Steel Bridges

EN 13670, Execution of concrete structures

ISO 2859-5, Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes — Part 5: System of sequential sampling plans indexed by acceptance quality limit (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection

# 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

### construction works

everything that is constructed or results from construction operations

Note 1 to entry: This term covers both building and civil engineering works. It refers to the complete construction comprising both structural and non-structural components.

#### 3.2

#### works

parts of construction works that are structural steelwork

#### 3.3

#### structural steelwork

steel structures or manufactured steel components used in construction works

# 3.4

#### constructor

person or organization executing the works

Note 1 to entry: The supplier in EN ISO 9000 [1].

#### 3.5

#### structure

organised combination of connected parts designed to carry loads and provide adequate rigidity

[SOURCE: EN 1990:2002, 1.5.1.6 [2]]

#### 3.6

#### manufacturing

activity required to produce and deliver a component

Note 1 to entry: As relevant, this comprises e.g. procurement, preparation and assembly, welding, mechanical fastening, transportation, surface treatment, and the inspection and documentation thereof.

#### 3.7

#### execution

activity performed for the physical completion of the works

Note 1 to entry: i.e. procurement, fabrication, welding, mechanical fastening, transportation, erection, surface treatment and the inspection and documentation thereof.

#### 3.7.1

# execution specification

set of documents covering technical data and requirements for a particular steel structure including those specified to supplement and qualify the rules of this European Standard

Note 1 to entry: Execution specification includes requirements where this European Standard identifies items to be specified.

#### 3.7.2

#### execution class

classified set of requirements specified for the execution of the works as a whole, of an individual component or of a detail of a component

#### 3.8

#### constituent product

material and product used for manufacturing a component and which remains as part of it, e.g. structural steel product, stainless steel product, mechanical fastener, welding consumable

# 3.9

# component

part of a steel structure, which may itself be an assembly of several smaller components

#### 3.9.1

#### cold formed component

cold formed long products or profiled sheet having various cross section shapes, either open or with edges abutting, constant along their length, made from coated or uncoated hot or cold rolled flat products whose thicknesses are only slightly modified by the cold forming process (e.g. profiling, drawing, press forming, flanging etc.).

[SOURCE: EN EN 10079:2007, 3.4.9 [3]]

#### 3.10

#### preparation

activity performed on the constituent steel products to produce the parts ready for assembly and inclusion in components

Note 1 to entry: As relevant, this comprises e.g. identification, handling and storage, cutting, shaping and holing.

#### 3.11

# design basis method of erection

outline of a method of erection upon which the design of the structure is based (also known as the design erection sequence)

#### 3.11.1

#### erection method statement

documentation describing the procedures to be used to erect a structure

#### 3.12

#### inspection and test plan

#### **ITP**

plan that includes inspection and/or testing and in which inspection includes inspection of documents and/or materials and/or workmanship

#### 3.13

#### nonconformity

non-fulfilment of a requirement

[SOURCE : EN ISO 9000:2015, 3.6.9, modified [1]]

#### 3.14

# supplementary NDT

#### supplementary non-destructive testing

NDT technique which is supplementary to visual examination (VT), e.g. magnetic particle (MT), penetrant (PT), eddy current (ET), ultrasonic (UT) or radiographic testing (RT)

# 3.15

# tolerance

difference between the upper limit of size and the lower limit of size

Note 1 to entry: Tolerance is an absolute value without sign.

[SOURCE: ISO 1803:1997, 3.11, Notes 2 and 3 deleted [4]]

# 3.15.1

# essential tolerance

basic limit for a geometrical tolerance necessary to satisfy the design assumptions for structures in terms of mechanical resistance and stability

#### 3.15.2

#### functional tolerance

geometrical tolerance, which might be required to meet a function other than mechanical resistance and stability, e.g. appearance or fit up

#### 3.15.3

# special tolerance

geometrical tolerance which is not covered by the tabulated types or values of tolerances given in this European Standard, and which needs to be specified in a particular case

# 3.15.4

# manufacturing tolerance

permitted range in the size of a dimension of a component resulting from component manufacture

# 4 Specifications and documentation

# 4.1 Execution Specification

#### 4.1.1 General

The necessary information and technical requirements for execution of each part of the works shall be agreed and complete before commencement of execution of that part of the works. There shall be procedures for making alterations to previously agreed execution specification. Execution specification shall consider such of the following items as are relevant:

- a) additional information, as listed in A.1;
- b) options, as listed in A.2;
- c) execution classes, see 4.1.2;
- d) preparation grades, see 4.1.3;
- e) tolerance classes, see 4.1.4;
- f) technical requirements regarding the safety of the works, see 4.2.3

#### 4.1.2 Execution classes

Four execution classes 1 to 4, denoted EXC1 to EXC4, are given, for which requirement strictness increases from EXC1 to EXC3 with EXC4 being based on EXC3 with further project specific requirements (e.g. see 7.6.1, 12.4.2.3 and 12.4.2.4).

The execution specification shall specify the relevant execution class or classes.

NOTE The requirements for the basis for the selection of execution classes are given in EN 1993–1-1:2005/A1:2014, Annex C [5].

The list of requirements related to execution classes is given in A.3.

#### 4.1.3 Requirements for surface preparation for corrosion protection

With respect to the preparation of welds, edges and other areas with surface imperfections for the application of paint and related products, three preparation grades, denoted P1 to P3 according to EN ISO 8501-3, are given, for which requirement strictness increases from P1 to P3.

NOTE Preparation grades classify visible imperfections suitable for the application of paints and related products.

The execution specification shall specify the relevant preparation grades if appropriate.

Preparation grades may apply to the whole structure or to a part of the structure or to specific details. A structure can include several preparation grades. A detail or group of details will normally be ascribed one preparation grade.

#### 4.1.4 Geometrical tolerances

Two types of geometrical tolerances are defined in 11.1 and in Annex B:

- a) essential tolerances;
- b) functional tolerances, with two classes for which requirement strictness increases from class 1 to class 2.

#### 4.2 Constructor's documentation

#### 4.2.1 Quality documentation

The following points shall be documented for EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4:

- a) organization chart and managerial staff responsible for each aspect of the execution;
- b) the procedures, methods and work instructions to be applied;
- c) an inspection and test plan specific to the works;
- d) a procedure for handling changes and modifications;
- e) a procedure for handling of nonconformities;
- f) specified hold-points or requirement to witness inspections or tests, and any consequent access requirements.

# 4.2.2 Quality plan

It shall be specified if a quality plan for execution of the works is required.

NOTE EN ISO 9000 [1] gives the definition of a quality plan.

In this case, it shall include:

- a) a general management document which shall address the following points:
  - 1) review of specification requirements against process capabilities;
  - 2) the allocation of tasks and authority during the various phases of the project;
  - 3) principles and organization arrangements for inspection including allocation of responsibilities for each inspection task;
- b) quality documentation prior to execution. The documents shall be produced before execution of the construction step to which they relate;
- c) execution records, which are actual records of inspections and checks, carried out, or demonstrate qualification or certification of implemented resources. Execution records related to specified holdpoints shall be produced before the hold-point is released.

Annex C gives a checklist for the content of a quality plan recommended for the execution of structural steelwork.

#### 4.2.3 Safety of the erection works

Method statements giving detailed work instructions shall comply with the technical requirements relating to the safety of the erection works as given in 9.2 and 9.3.

#### 4.2.4 Execution documentation

Sufficient documentation shall be prepared during execution and as a record of the as-built structure to demonstrate that the works have been carried out according to the execution specification.

# **5** Constituent products

# 5.1 General

Generally, constituent products to be used for the execution of steel structures shall be selected from the relevant European Standards listed in the following clauses.

If constituent products that are not covered by the standards listed are to be used, their properties shall be specified. The relevant properties to be specified shall be selected from the following list:

- a) strength (yield and tensile);
- b) elongation;
- c) reduction of area requirements, if required;
- d) tolerances on dimensions and shape;
- e) impact strength or toughness, if required;
- f) thermal heat treatment delivery condition;
- g) through thickness requirements (Z-quality), if required;
- h) limits on internal discontinuities or cracks in zones to be welded if required.

In addition, if the steel is to be welded, its weldability shall be declared as follows:

- i) classification in accordance with the grouping system defined in ISO/TR 20172, ISO/TR 20173 or ISO/TR 20174, or;
- j) a maximum limit for the carbon equivalent of the steel, or;
- k) a declaration of its chemical composition in sufficient detail for its carbon equivalent to be calculated.

Definitions and requirements of EN 10021 shall apply together with those of the relevant European product standard.

# 5.2 Identification, inspection documents and traceability

The properties of supplied constituent products shall be documented in a way that enables them to be compared to the specified properties. Their conformity with the relevant product standard shall be checked in accordance with 12.2.

For metallic products, the inspection documents according to EN 10204 shall be as listed in Table 1.

Table 1 — Inspection documents for metallic products

| Constituent product  | Inspection documents    |
|--|-------------------------|
| Structural steels (Tables 2 and 3)                               |                         |
| Structural steel grade ≤ S275                                    | 2.2 a, b                |
| Structural steel grade > S275                                    | 3.1 or 3.2 <sup>b</sup> |
| Stainless steels (Table 4)                                       | 3.1                     |
| Steel castings   | 3.1 <sup>c</sup>        |
| Welding consumables (Table 5)                                    | 2.2                     |
| Structural bolting assemblies to the EN 14399 series             | 3.1 <sup>d</sup>        |
| Structural bolting assemblies to the EN 15048 series             | 2.1                     |
| Bolts <sup>e</sup> , nuts <sup>e</sup> , or washers <sup>e</sup> | 2.1                     |
| Hot rivets   | 2.1 f                   |
| Self-tapping and self-drilling screws and blind rivets           | 2.1                     |
| Studs for arc stud welding                                       | 3.1 f                   |
| Expansion joints for bridges                                     | 3.1                     |
| High strength cables   | 3.1                     |
| Structural bearings  | 3.1                     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Inspection document 3.1 if specified minimum yield strength 275 MPa and specified impact energy tested at a temperature less than 0 °C.

For EXC3 and EXC4, constituent products shall be traceable at all stages from receipt to hand over after incorporation in the works.

This traceability may be based on records for batches of product allocated to a common production process, unless traceability for each individual constituent product is specified.

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, if differing grades and/or qualities of constituent products are in circulation together, each individual constituent product shall be designated with a mark that identifies its grade and its quality.

Methods of marking shall be in accordance with that for components given in 6.2.

If marking is required, unmarked constituent products shall be treated as nonconforming product.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> EN 10025–1:2004 requires that the elements included in the CEV formula shall be reported in the inspection document. The reporting of other added elements required by EN 10025–2 shall include Al, Nb, and Ti.

Inspection document 2.2 if specified minimum yield strength  $\leq$  355 MPa and specified impact energy tested at a temperature of 20 °C.

d If bolts of property classes 8.8 and 10.9 are marked with a batch identification mark and the manufacturer can trace the measured characteristic values from the internal (factory) production control records on the basis of this mark, the 3.1 inspection certificate as in EN 10204 may be omitted. For all property classes an inspection document to EN 10204 or a batch identification mark is required.

e Applicable if bolts, nuts or washers are supplied for use in non-preloaded applications and not as a component of a fastener assembly to the EN 14399 series or the EN 15048 series.

If a 3.1 certificate is required, this may be substituted by a manufacturing lot identification mark.

# 5.3 Structural steel products

#### 5.3.1 General

Structural steel products shall conform to the requirements of the relevant European product standards as listed in Tables 2, 3 and 4, unless otherwise specified. Grades, qualities and, if appropriate, coating weights and finishes, shall be specified together with any required options permitted by the product standard, including those related to suitability for hot dip zinc-coating, if relevant.

Steel products to be used in the manufacture of cold formed components shall have properties that conform to the required suitability for cold forming process. Carbon steels suitable for cold forming are listed in Table 3.

Table 2 — Product standards for structural carbon steels

| Products                           | Technical<br>delivery<br>requirements | Dimensions   | Tolerances   |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| I and H sections                   |                                       | Not available  | EN 10034   |
| Hot-rolled taper flange I sections | EN 10025 1                            | Not available  | EN 10024   |
| Channels                           | EN 10025-1<br>and                     | Not available  | EN 10279   |
| Equal and unequal leg angles       | EN 10025-2                            | EN 10056-1   | EN 10056-2   |
| T Sections                         | EN 10025-3                            | EN 10055   | EN 10055   |
| Plates, flats, wide flats          | EN 10025-4<br>EN 10025-5              | Not applicable   | EN 10029<br>EN 10051   |
| Bars and rods                      | EN 10025–6<br>As relevant             | EN 10017,<br>EN 10058,<br>EN 10059,<br>EN 10060,<br>EN 10061 | EN 10017,<br>EN 10058,<br>EN 10059,<br>EN 10060,<br>EN 10061 |
| Hot finished hollow sections       | EN 10210-1                            | EN 10210-2   | EN 10210-2   |
| Cold formed hollow sections        | EN 10219-1                            | EN 10219-2   | EN 10219-2   |

NOTE EN 10020 [6] gives definitions and classifications of grades of steel. Steel designations by name and number are given in EN 10027–1 [7] and EN 10027–2 [8] respectively.

Table 3 — Product standards for sheet and strip suitable for cold forming

| Products  | Technical delivery requirements | Tolerances   |
|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Non-alloy structural steels                     | EN 10025-2                      | EN 10051   |
| Weldable fine grain structural steels           | EN 10025-3, EN 10025-4          | EN 10051   |
| High yield strength steels for cold forming     | EN 10149 series, EN 10268       | EN 10029, EN 10048,<br>EN 10051, EN 10131,<br>EN 10140 |
| Cold reduced steels                             | ISO 4997                        | EN 10131   |
| Continuously coated hot dip coated steels       | EN 10346                        | EN 10143   |
| Continuously organic coated steel flat products | EN 10169                        | EN 10169   |
| Narrow strips                                   | EN 10139                        | EN 10048   |
|   |                                 | EN 10140   |

Table 4 — Product standards for stainless steels

| Products   | Technical delivery requirements | Tolerances   |
|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Sheets, plates and strips                                      | EN 10088-4                      | EN ISO 9444-2, EN ISO 9445 (all parts), EN ISO 18286   |
| Tubes (welded)   | EN 10296-2                      | EN ISO 1127  |
| Tubes (seamless)   | EN 10297-2                      | EN 150 1127  |
| Bars, rods and sections  | EN 10088-5                      | EN 10017, EN 10058,<br>EN 10059,<br>EN 10060, EN 10061 |
| Steel designations by name and number are given in EN 10088-1. |                                 |  |

For structural steel products other than those conforming to the requirements of the relevant European product standards as listed in Tables 2, 3 and 4, a declaration of the characteristics of the steel products shall compared with the required properties given in the execution specification (see 5.1).

With respect to the properties that are declared, the basis for the declarations shall be provided.

NOTE For instance, reference standards for test methods used to establish values for declared properties, whether properties are specific to an identified lot, cast or heat; and whether chemical properties are based on ladle or product analysis.

# 5.3.2 Thickness tolerances

Unless otherwise specified, the thickness tolerances for structural steel plates shall be class A in accordance with EN 10029 for hot rolled steel plates and EN ISO 18286 for hot-rolled stainless steel plates.

#### 5.3.3 Surface conditions

For carbon steels, surface condition requirements are as follows:

- a) class A1 for plates and wide flats in accordance with the requirements of EN 10163-2;
- b) class C1 for sections in accordance with the requirements of EN 10163-3. Execution specifications shall specify if imperfections such as cracks, shell and seams shall be repaired.

For stainless steel, the surface finish requirements shall be as follows:

- a) sheet, plate and strip: in accordance with the requirements of EN 10088-4;
- b) bars, rods and sections: in accordance with the requirements of EN 10088-5.

The execution specification shall specify additional requirements related to the following items: special restrictions on either surface imperfections or repair of surface defects by grinding in accordance with the EN 10163 series, or with the EN 10088 series for stainless steel, if required.

For other products, the surface finish requirements shall be specified in terms of appropriate European or International specifications.

If the relevant specification does not adequately define specialist surface finishes, the finish shall be specified.

The surface condition of constituent products shall be such that the relevant requirements for surface preparation grade in accordance with 10.2 can be achieved.

# 5.3.4 Additional properties

For EXC3 and EXC4, internal discontinuity quality class S1 of EN 10160 shall be used for welded cruciform joints transmitting primary tensile stresses through the plate thickness on a band of width four times the thickness of the plate each side of the proposed attachment.

It shall be specified whether areas close to bearing diaphragms or stiffeners should be checked for the existence of internal discontinuities. In this case quality class S1 of EN 10160 shall apply to a band of flange or web plate of width 25 times the plate thickness each side of a bearing diaphragm or stiffener if attached by welding.

In addition, requirements related to the following items shall be specified if relevant:

- a) testing on constituent products, other than stainless steels, to identify internal discontinuities or cracks in zones to be welded;
- b) improved deformation properties perpendicular to the surface of constituent products, other than stainless steels, in accordance with EN 10164;
- c) special delivery conditions of stainless steels, for example Pitting Resistance Equivalent Number (PREN) or accelerated corrosion testing. The PREN shall be given by  $(1 \times \%Cr + 3.3 \times \%Mo + 16 \times \%N)$ , in which the elements are in percent by weight, unless otherwise specified;
- d) processing conditions if constituent products are to be processed before delivery.

NOTE Heat treatment, cambering and bending are examples of such processes.

# 5.4 Steel castings

Steel castings shall conform to the requirements in EN 10340. The technical delivery conditions (grades, qualities and, if appropriate, finishes) shall be specified together with any required options permitted by the product standard including necessary information and options as required in EN 1559-1 and EN 1559-2. Unless otherwise specified the properties of delivered castings shall be evaluated by testing.

Unless otherwise specified, the testing shall include:

- a) 100 % visual inspection;
- b) the following destructive tests on items taken at random during production. The execution specification shall specify whether the items shall be destructive product samples, extension pieces or separate items cast simultaneously:
  - 1) tensile and elongation tests (one unit per melt);
  - 2) impact tests (three units per melt);
  - 3) reduction of area test (one unit per melt if appropriate);
  - 4) chemical analysis (one unit per melt);
  - 5) microscopic examination of cross-sections (one unit per melt).
- c) the following non-destructive tests on items taken at random from each manufacturing lot:
  - 1) MT or PT of surface-breaking discontinuities on 10 % of each manufacturing lot, and;
  - 2) UT or RT to detect sub-surface discontinuities on 10 % of each manufacturing lot.

Unless otherwise specified, the acceptance criteria for cast steel components are:

- SM2 and LM3/AM3 to EN 1369 for MT;
- Severity level 2 to EN 12680-1 for UT;
- Severity level 3 for RT.

# 5.5 Welding consumables

All welding consumables shall conform to the requirements of the appropriate product standard as listed in Table 5.

Table 5 — Product standards for welding consumables

| Welding consumables   | Product standards |
|---|-------------------|
| Shielding gases for arc welding and cutting   | EN ISO 14175      |
| Wire electrodes and deposits for gas-shielded metal arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels                                      | EN ISO 14341      |
| Solid wires, solid wire-flux and tubular cored electrode-flux combinations for submerged arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels | EN ISO 14171      |
| Covered electrodes for manual arc welding of high strength steels   | EN ISO 18275      |
| Tubular cored electrodes for metal arc welding with and without gas shield of non-alloy and fine grain steels                           | EN ISO 17632      |
| Fluxes for submerged arc welding  | EN ISO 14174      |
| Covered electrodes for manual arc welding of stainless and heat resisting steels  | EN ISO 3581       |
| Rods, wires and deposits for tungsten inert gas welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels  | EN ISO 636        |
| Covered electrodes for manual arc welding of non-alloy and fine grain steels  | EN ISO 2560       |
| Wires electrodes, wires and rods for arc welding of stainless and heat-resisting steels   | EN ISO 14343      |
| Wire electrodes, wires, rods and deposits for gas-shielded arc welding of high strength steels  | EN ISO 16834      |
| Wire and tubular cored electrodes and electrode-flux combinations for submerged arc welding of high strength steels                     | EN ISO 26304      |
| Tubular cored electrodes for metal arc welding with or without a gas shield of stainless and heat-resisting steels                      | EN ISO 17633      |
| Tubular cored electrodes for gas shielded metal arc welding of high strength steels   | EN ISO 18276      |

The type of welding consumables shall be appropriate to the welding process, the material to be welded and the welding procedure.

If steel according to EN 10025-5 is to be welded, welding consumables shall be used which ensure that the completed welds have a weather resistance at least equivalent to the parent metal. Unless otherwise specified, one of the options given in Table 6 shall be used.

Table 6 — Welding consumables to be used with steels according to EN 10025-5

| Process                                     | Option 1 | Option 2 | Option3         |  |
|---|----------|----------|-----------------|--|
| 111   | Matching | 2,5 % Ni | 1 % Ni 0,5 % Mo |  |
| 135   | Matching | 2,5 % Ni | 1 % Ni 0,5 % Mo |  |
| 121,122                                     | Matching | 2 % Ni   | 1 % Ni 0,5 % Mo |  |
| Matching: 0,5 % Cu and other alloy elements |          |          |                 |  |
| NOTE See also 7.5.10.                       |          |          |                 |  |

For stainless steels, welding consumables, which give weld deposits of at least equivalent corrosion resistance to the parent metal, shall be used, unless otherwise specified.

#### 5.6 Mechanical fasteners

#### 5.6.1 General

The corrosion resistance of the connectors, fasteners and sealing washers shall be comparable to that specified for the fastened components.

Hot dip galvanized coatings of fasteners shall conform to EN ISO 10684.

Electroplated coatings of fasteners shall conform to EN ISO 4042.

Protective coatings of components for mechanical fasteners shall comply with the requirements of the relevant product standard or, in the absence thereof, with the manufacturer's recommendation.

NOTE Attention is drawn to the risk of hydrogen embrittlement during electroplating or hot dip galvanizing of 10.9 bolts.

#### 5.6.2 Terminology

In the text, the following terms are used:

- a) "washer" meaning: "plain or chamfered washer";
- b) "assembly" meaning: "a bolt with a nut and washer(s) as necessary".

# 5.6.3 Structural bolting assemblies for non-preloaded applications

Carbon and alloy steel and austenitic stainless steel structural bolting assemblies for non-preloaded applications shall conform to the requirements of the EN 15048 series.

Assemblies according to EN 14399-3 to EN 14399-8 may also be used for non-preloaded applications.

Property classes of bolts and nuts and, if appropriate, surface finishes shall be specified together with any required options permitted by the product standard.

The mechanical properties shall be specified for:

- a) carbon and alloy steel bolting assemblies with larger diameter than those specified in EN ISO 898-1 and EN ISO 898-2;
- b) austenitic stainless steel bolting assemblies with larger diameter than those specified in EN ISO 3506-1 and EN ISO 3506-2:
- c) austenitic-ferritic stainless steel assemblies.

Fasteners according to EN ISO 898-1 and EN ISO 898-2 shall not be used to join stainless steels according to the EN 10088 series unless otherwise specified. If insulation kits are to be used full details of their use shall be specified.

The shanks of pins shall be to tolerance class h13 to EN ISO 286-2 (b11 if coated).

NOTE These values are the same as those for fit bolts to EN 14399-8.

#### 5.6.4 Structural bolting assemblies for preloading

High strength structural bolting assemblies for preloading include system HR, system HV and HRC bolts. They shall conform to the testing requirements in EN 14399-2 and in the appropriate European Standard as listed in Table 7.

Property classes of bolts and nuts and, if appropriate, surface finishes shall be specified together with any required options permitted by the product standard.

Table 7 — Product standards for high strength structural bolting assemblies for preloading

| Bolts and nuts                         | Washers                  |             |
|--|--------------------------|-------------|
| EN 14399-3                             |                          |             |
| EN 14399-4<br>EN 14399-7<br>EN 14399-8 | EN 14399-5<br>EN 14399-6 |             |
|  |                          | EN 14399-10 |

Stainless steel bolts shall not be used in preloaded applications.

#### 5.6.5 Direct tension indicators

Direct tension indicators and associated hardened nut face and bolt face washers shall be in accordance with EN 14399-9.

Direct tension indicators shall not be used with weather resistant steels or stainless steels.

# 5.6.6 Weather resistant assemblies

Weather resistant assemblies shall be made of improved atmospheric corrosion resistance material the chemical composition of which shall be specified.

NOTE Type 3 Grade A fasteners to ASTM standard A325 would be suitable [9].

Their mechanical characteristics, performances and delivery conditions shall conform to the requirements in EN 14399-1 or EN 15048-1 as relevant.

# **5.6.7 Foundation bolts**

The mechanical properties of foundation bolts shall be in accordance with EN ISO 898-1 or fabricated from hot-rolled steel conforming to EN 10025-2 to EN 10025-4.

If specified, reinforcing steels may be used. In this case, they shall conform to EN 10080 and the steel grade shall be specified.

NOTE EN 13670 specifies requirements for reinforcing steel bars used as foundation bolts or anchors.

# 5.6.8 Locking devices

If required the locking devices such as prevailing torque nuts or other types of bolt, which effectively prevent loosening of the assembly if subjected to impact or significant vibration, shall be specified.

Unless otherwise specified, products from EN ISO 7040, EN ISO 7042, EN ISO 7719, EN ISO 10511, EN ISO 10512 and EN ISO 10513 and the performance requirements given in EN ISO 2320 may be used.

#### 5.6.9 Washers

#### 5.6.9.1 Plain washers

Washers supplied as part of a fastener assembly shall comply with the relevant product standard for that assembly.

Washers supplied separately may be used in non-preloaded applications and shall be in accordance with EN ISO 7089, EN ISO 7090, EN ISO 7091, EN ISO 7092, EN ISO 7093-1 or EN ISO 7094 for carbon steel, EN ISO 7089, EN ISO 7090, EN ISO 7092 or EN ISO 7093-1 for stainless steels.

#### 5.6.9.2 Taper washers

Taper washers shall meet the hardness and other requirements specified for plain washers as specified in 5.6.9.1 with the exception of dimensions applicable to shape, which shall be specified.

#### 5.6.9.3 Plate washers

Plate washers shall be dimensioned with nominal clearances according to Table 11 and with length and width dimensions that ensure that the washer overlaps the connected component by at least as much as a standard plain washer would when used with normal round holes.

#### **5.6.10** Hot rivets

Hot rivets shall comply with the relevant product standard.

# **5.6.11 Special fasteners**

Special fasteners are fasteners that are not covered by European or International Standards. They shall be specified, as well as any tests necessary.

NOTE The use of special fasteners is covered in 8.8.

Resin injection bolts shall be classified as special fasteners.

# 5.6.12 Delivery and identification

Fasteners according to 5.6.3 to 5.6.5 shall be delivered and identified in accordance with the requirements of the relevant product standard.

Fasteners according to 5.6.6 to 5.6.11 shall be delivered and identified as follows:

- a) they shall be delivered in an appropriate durable packaging and labelled such that the content is readily identifiable.
- b) labelling or accompanying documentation shall be in accordance with the requirements of the product standard and should contain the following information in a legible and durable form:
  - 1) manufacturer's identification and, if relevant, lot numbers;
  - 2) type of fastener and material and, if appropriate, its assembly;
  - 3) protective coating.

c) marking of fasteners shall be in accordance with the requirements of the product standard.

#### 5.7 Studs and shear connectors

Studs for arc stud welding shall comply with the requirements of EN ISO 13918.

Studs or shear connectors other than the stud types in EN ISO 13918 shall be classified as special fasteners and comply with 5.6.11.

# 5.8 Reinforcing steel welded to structural steel

Reinforcing steels to be welded to structural steel shall be suitable for welding according to EN 10080.

# 5.9 Grouting materials

The grouting materials to be used shall be specified. It shall be cement based grout, special grout or fine concrete.

Cement based grout for use between steel bases or bearing plates and concrete foundations shall be as follows:

a) for nominal thickness not exceeding 25 mm: Neat Portland cement;

b) for nominal thickness between 25 and 50 mm: Fluid Portland cement mortar that is not leaner

than 1:1 cement to fine aggregate;

c) for nominal thickness of 50 mm and above: Dry as possible Portland cement mortar that is

not leaner than 1:2 cement to fine aggregate.

Special grouts include cement based grouts used with admixtures, expanding grout and resin based grout. Those with low shrinkage characteristics are recommended.

Special grout shall be accompanied by detailed instructions for use that are attested by the manufacturer.

Fine concrete shall only be used between steel bases or bearing plates and concrete foundations that have gaps with nominal thickness of 50 mm and above.

# 5.10 Expansion joints for bridges

Requirements for type and characteristics of expansion joints shall be specified.

# 5.11 High strength cables, rods and terminations

Wires for high strength cables shall be cold drawn or cold rolled steel wires and conform to the requirements of EN 10264-3 or EN 10264-4. The tensile strength grade and, if appropriate, coating class according to EN 10244-2 shall be specified.

Strands for high strength cables shall conform to the requirements of prEN 10138-3. The designation and class of the strand shall be specified.

Steel wire ropes shall conform to the requirements of EN 12385-1 and EN 12385-10. The minimum breaking load and diameter of the steel wire rope and, if appropriate, requirements related to corrosion protection shall be specified.

The filling material for the sockets shall conform to the requirements of EN 13411-4. It shall be selected taking into account service temperature and actions such that continued creeping of the loaded strand through the socket is prevented.

#### 5.12 Structural bearings

Structural bearings shall comply with the requirements of EN 1337-2, EN 1337-3, EN 1337-4, EN 1337-5, EN 1337-6, EN 1337-7 or EN 1337-8 as relevant.

# 6 Preparation and assembly

### 6.1 General

This clause specifies the requirements for cutting, shaping, holing and assembly of constituent steel components for inclusion into components.

NOTE Welding and mechanical fastening are dealt with in Clauses 7 and 8.

Structural steelwork shall be fabricated considering the requirements in Clause 10 and within the tolerances specified in Clause 11.

Equipment used in the manufacturing process shall be maintained to ensure that use, wear and failure do not cause significant inconsistency in the manufacturing process.

### 6.2 Identification

At all stages of manufacturing each piece or package of similar pieces of steel components shall be identifiable by a suitable system.

Identification may be achieved as appropriate by batching or by the shape and the size of the component or by the use of durable and distinguishing marks applied in a way not producing damage. Chiselled notches are not permitted.

The following requirements apply to hard stamped, punched or drilled marks used for marking single components or packages of similar components, unless otherwise specified:

- a) they are permitted only for steel grades up to and including S500;
- b) they are not permitted for stainless steels;
- c) they shall only be used in the specified areas where the marking method would not affect the fatigue life.

If the use of hard stamps, punched or drilled marks is not permitted, it shall be specified whether soft or low stress stamps may be used.

Soft or low stress stamps may be used for stainless steels unless otherwise specified.

Any zones where identification marks are not permitted or shall not be visible after completion shall be specified.

# 6.3 Handling and storage

Constituent products shall be handled and stored in conditions that are in accordance with product manufacturer's recommendations.

A constituent product shall not be used beyond a shelf life specified by its manufacturer. Products that have been handled or stored in a way or for a length of time that could have led to significant deterioration shall be checked before use to ensure that they still comply with the relevant product standard.

Structural steel components shall be packed, handled and transported in a safe manner, so that permanent deformation does not occur and surface damage is minimized. Handling and storage preventive measures specified in Table 8 shall be applied as appropriate.

Table 8 — List of handling and storage preventive measures

|    | Lifting  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1  | Ü  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1  | Protection of components from damage at the lifting points   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2  | Avoidance of single point lifting of long components by use of spreader beams as appropriate   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | Bundling together lightweight components particularly prone to edge damage, twisting and distortion if handled as individual items. Care taken to avoid localized damage where component touch each other, to unstiffened edges at lifting points or other zones where a significant proportion of the weight of the bundle is imposed on a single unreinforced edge |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Storage  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Stacking of manufactured components stored before transportation or erection clear of the ground to be kept clean  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | Necessary supports to avoid permanent deformations   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | Storage of profiled sheeting, and other materials supplied with pre-finished decorative surfaces according to the requirements of relevant standards   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Protection against corrosion   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Avoidance of accumulation of water   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | Precautions in order to avoid the penetration of moisture into bundles of sections with metallic precoatings   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | NOTE In case of prolonged open storage on site, the bundles of sections should be opened and the sections separated to avoid the occurrence of 'black or white rust'.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Stainless steels   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | Handling and storage of stainless steel to prevent contamination by fixtures or manipulators etc. Careful storage of stainless steel, so that the surfaces are protected from damage or contamination  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | If appropriate, use of protective film or other coating, to be left on as long as practicable  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Avoidance of storage in salt-laden humid atmospheres   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Protection of storage racks by suitable wooden, rubber or plastic battens or sheaths to avoid carbon steel, copper-containing, lead etc. rubbing surfaces  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Use of markers containing chloride or sulphide prohibited  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | NOTE An alternative is to use protective film and apply all marks only into this film.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Protection of stainless steel from direct contact with carbon steel lifting tackle or handling equipment such as chains, hooks, strapping and rollers or the forks of fork lift trucks by use of isolating materials or light plywood or suction cups. Use of appropriate erection tools to ensure that surface contamination does not occur                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Avoidance of contact with chemicals, including dyes, glues, adhesive tape, undue amounts of oil and grease   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | NOTE If it is necessary to use them, their suitability is to be checked with their manufacturer.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Use of segregated manufacturing used for carbon steel and stainless steel to prevent carbon steel pick-up. Use of separate tools dedicated for use with stainless steel only, particularly grinding wheels and wire brushes. Wire brushes and wire wool of stainless steel, preferably an austenitic grade   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Transport  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Special measures needed for protecting manufactured components in transit  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# 6.4 Cutting

#### 6.4.1 General

Cutting shall be carried out in such a way that the requirements for geometrical tolerances, maximum hardness and smoothness of free edges as specified in this European Standard are met.

Known and recognized cutting methods are sawing, shearing, disc cutting, water jet techniques and thermal cutting. Hand thermal cutting should be used only if it is not practical to use machine thermal cutting. Some cutting methods can be unsuitable for components subject to fatigue.

If a process does not conform, it shall not be used until corrected and checked again. It may be used on a restricted range of constituent products that do produce conforming results.

If coated materials are to be cut, the method of cutting shall be selected to minimize the damage on the coating.

Burrs that could cause injury or prevent the proper alignment or bedding of sections or sheeting shall be removed.

### 6.4.2 Shearing and nibbling

The free edge surfaces shall be checked and smoothed as necessary in order to remove significant defects. If grinding or machining is used after shearing or nibbling, the minimum depth of grinding or machining shall be 0.5 mm.

# 6.4.3 Thermal cutting

The capability of automated thermal cutting processes shall be checked annually as set out below.

Four samples shall be produced from the constituent product to be cut by the process:

- a) a straight cut from the thickest constituent product;
- b) a straight cut from the thinnest constituent product;
- c) a sharp corner from a representative thickness;
- d) a curved arc from a representative thickness.

Measurements shall be taken on the straight samples over at least a 200 mm length on each and checked against the required quality class. The sharp corner and curved samples shall be visually inspected to establish that they produce edges of equivalent standard to the straight cuts.

Alternatively, the guidance given in Annex D may be used to check the capability of automated thermal cutting processes.

The quality requirements for cut surfaces to be left as free edges (i.e. not to be subsequently incorporated into a weld) shall be shall be according to Table 9 when assessed in accordance with EN ISO 9013, unless otherwise specified.

| Execution classes | Perpendicularity or angularity tolerance, u                                     | Mean height of the profile, Rz5 |  |  |
|-------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| EXC1              | Cut edges to be free from significant irregularities and dross shall be removed |                                 |  |  |
| EXC2              | Range 5   | Range 4                         |  |  |
| EXC3 and EXC4     | Range 4   | Range 4                         |  |  |

Table 9 — Quality of the cut surfaces

### 6.4.4 Hardness of free edge surfaces

Processes that are likely to produce local hardness shall have their capability checked.

For carbon steels  $\geq$  S460 and if specified for other steel grades, the hardness of free edge surfaces shall be no more than 450 (HV10).

NOTE 1 This specified requirement may be necessary if the free edge is subject to fatigue or impact forces or susceptible to hydrogen embrittlement or to ensure that the free edge is suitable for preparation according to 10.3 prior to application of the corrosion protection system or hot dip galvanizing (see EN ISO 14713-2).

Unless otherwise specified, the check of the capability of the processes shall be as follows:

- a) four samples shall be produced from procedure tests on constituent product encompassing the range of constituent products processed that are most susceptible to local hardening;
- b) four local hardness tests shall be done on each sample in locations likely to be affected. The tests shall be in accordance with the EN ISO 6507 series.

NOTE 2 The requirements for checking of hardness after welding are included in procedure testing (see 7.4.1).

For thermal cutting guidance is given in Annex D.

In order to limit the hardness of free edge surfaces, preheating of material shall be applied as necessary.

### 6.5 Shaping

#### 6.5.1 General

Steel may be bent, pressed or forged to the required shape either by the hot or by the cold forming processes, provided the properties are not reduced below those specified for the worked material.

Requirements and recommendations for hot, cold forming and flame straightening of steels shall be as given in the relevant product standards and in CEN/TR 10347.

Shaping by controlled application of heat may be used under the conditions specified in 6.5.2 and 6.5.3.

Shaped components that exhibit cracking or lamellar tearing, or damage to surface coatings, shall be treated as non-conforming products.

#### 6.5.2 Hot forming

Shaping by hot forming shall conform to the requirements relating to hot forming of the relevant product standard and to the recommendations of the steel manufacturer.

For steels according to EN 10025-4 and in the delivery condition +M according to EN 10025-2 hot forming is not permitted.

For quenched and tempered steels, hot forming is not permitted unless the requirements of EN 10025-6 are fulfilled.

Shaping by hot forming (T >  $580 \, ^{\circ}$ C) of components and sheeting is not permitted if the nominal yield strength is achieved by cold forming.

For steel grades up to and including S355, the hot forming process shall take place in the red hot  $(600\,^{\circ}\text{C}\ \text{to}\ 650\,^{\circ}\text{C})$  state and the temperature, timing and cooling rate shall be appropriate to the particular type of steel. Bending and forming in the blue heat range  $(250\,^{\circ}\text{C}\ \text{to}\ 380\,^{\circ}\text{C})$  is not permitted.

For steel grades S450+N (or +AR) according to EN 10025-2, and S420 and S460 according to EN 10025-3, the hot forming process shall take place in the temperature range  $960\,^{\circ}$ C to  $750\,^{\circ}$ C with subsequent cooling at air temperature. The cooling rate should be such as to prevent hardening as well as excessive grain coarsening. If this is not practicable, a subsequent normalizing treatment shall be carried out.

Hot forming is not allowed for S450 according to EN 10025-2 if no delivery condition is indicated.

NOTE If no delivery condition is indicated, steel products S450 could be delivered in the thermomechanical delivery condition.

# 6.5.3 Flame straightening

#### 6.5.3.1 General

If distortion is to be corrected by flame straightening, this shall be undertaken by local application of heat, ensuring that the maximum steel temperature and the cooling procedure are controlled.

#### 6.5.3.2 Carbon steels

Unless otherwise specified, a documented procedure shall be developed. The procedure shall include at least:

- a) maximum steel temperature and procedure of cooling allowed;
- b) method of heating;
- c) method used for temperature measurements;
- d) identification of workers entitled to apply the process.

The procedure shall be qualified based on the results of tensile, impact and hardness tests. With respect to the thermally heated zone, the location used for temperature measurement and the locations and orientation for the test samples to be used shall be specified.

### 6.5.3.3 Stainless steels

Flame straightening is not permitted for the stainless steel grades 1.4016 and 1.4301 and 1.4401.

Flame straightening of stainless steels should be avoided especially for duplex, low nickel austenitic and martensitic grades. If it is inevitable, the maximum temperatures shall be kept as low as possible, and the period of exposure to heat shall be kept as short as possible. In addition, the following conditions shall be considered:

- a) the surface shall be free from sulfurous agents and other impurities such as labelling, iron dust and grease;
- b) the acetylene oxygen flame shall be adjusted neutrally or slightly oxygen-excessive;

- c) the thermal exposure time (preheating + time at temperature + cooling off time) should be as short as possible. Cooling off shall be done by using water or compressed air;
- d) the conditions in Table 10 shall be observed;
- e) arresters or striking tools as well as other tools should consist of CrNi-steel or should be chromeplated.

After straightening, annealing colours and oxide scales shall be completely removed using suitable measures.

Flame straightening shall only be performed by competent staff under supervision of the welding coordinator.

It should be noted that for cold-worked stainless steels, softening due to flame straightening may affect the mechanical properties.

|                            | I                                  |  |                       |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Steel grade                | Temperature of flame straightening | Radiant heat colour                            | Maximum exposure time |
| Ferritic steels            | 500 °C - 600 °C                    | Blue-grey until commencement of dark red       | 4 min                 |
| Austenitic steels          | 650 °C - 750 °C                    | Brown-red to dark red                          | 12 min                |
| Austenitic-ferritic steels | 500 °C - 600 °C                    | Blue-grey until<br>commencement of<br>dark red | 8 min                 |

Table 10 — Flame straightening conditions for stainless steels

### 6.5.4 Cold forming

Shaping by cold forming, produced either by roll forming, pressing or folding shall conform to the requirements for cold formability given in the relevant product standard. Hammering shall not be used.

NOTE Cold-forming leads to reduction in the ductility. Furthermore, attention is drawn to the risk of hydrogen embrittlement associated with subsequent processes such as acid treatment during coating or hot dip galvanization.

- a) For steel grades higher than S355, if a stress relief treatment is carried out after cold forming, the following two conditions shall be satisfied:
  - 1) temperature range: 530 °C to 580 °C;
  - 2) holding time: 2 min/mm of material thickness, but with a minimum time of 30 min.
- b) Stress relief treatment at more than 580 °C, or for over an hour, may lead to deterioration of the mechanical properties. If it is intended to stress relieve S420 to S700 steels at higher temperatures or for longer times, the required minimum values of the mechanical properties shall be agreed in advance with the product manufacturer;
- c) For annealed stainless steels up to a thickness of 3 mm, unless otherwise specified, the minimum inside bend radii *r* to be formed shall be:

- 1) r = 0 for austenitic grades;
- 2) r = t for austenitic-ferritic and ferritic grades;

where *t* is the thickness of the material or the diameter of rods.

- d) For other stainless steels and thicknesses, unless otherwise specified, the minimum inside bend radii *r* to be formed shall be:
  - $r = (4,2 A_5/10) t$  for values of  $A_5$  limited to 42 and where t is the plate thickness or diameter of rods.
- e)  $A_5$  is the minimum elongation at fracture in percent according to the reference standard relevant to the annealed or cold-worked condition of the material as appropriate;
- f) If the values for elongation at fracture  $A_5$  are lower in transverse direction, this shall be taken into account when bending in transverse direction by using these values in the formula above;
  - NOTE 1 The EN 10088 series provides values for elongation at fracture  $A_5$ . In order to counteract the effects of spring-back stainless steel needs to be over-bent to a slightly higher degree than carbon steel.
  - NOTE 2 The power requirements for bending stainless steel are higher than for bending geometrically similar carbon steel components, due to work hardening (by about 50 % in the case of the austenitic steels or even more in the case of austenitic-ferritic steels).

Unless otherwise specified in prEN 1090-4 for cold formed components and sheeting:

- g) Cold formed sections may be shaped by cranking, smooth curving or crimping as appropriate to the materials to be used;
- h) For cold formed components and sheeting used as structural components, shaping by cold forming shall comply with the following two conditions:
  - 1) the surface coatings and the accuracy of profile shall not be impaired;
  - 2) it shall be specified if constituent products require protective membranes to be applied before forming.

NOTE Some coatings and finishes are particularly prone to abrasive damage, both during forming and subsequently during erection. For further information, see EN 508–1 and EN 508–3.

- i) Bending by cold forming of hollow section components may be used provided that hardness and geometry of the as-bent constituent product are checked;
  - NOTE Bending by cold forming may cause alteration of section properties (e.g. concavity, ovality and wall thinning) and increased hardness.
- j) For circular tubes bending by cold forming shall comply with the following three conditions, unless otherwise specified:
  - 1) the ratio of the overall diameter of the tube to the wall thickness shall not exceed 15;
  - 2) the bend radius (at the centreline of the tube) shall not be less than 1,5d or d+100 mm, whichever is the larger, in which d is the overall diameter of the tube;

3) the longitudinal seam weld in the cross-section shall be positioned close to the neutral axis, in order to reduce the bending stresses at the weld.

# 6.6 Holing

### 6.6.1 Dimensions of holes

This clause applies to the making of holes for connections with mechanical fasteners and pins.

The definition of the nominal hole diameter combined with the nominal diameter of the bolt to be used in the hole determines whether the hole is "normal" or "oversize". The terms "short" and "long" applied to slotted holes refer to two types of holes used for the structural design of preloaded bolts. These terms may be used also to designate clearances for non-preloaded bolts.

The execution specification shall specify special dimensions for movement joints.

The nominal clearances for bolts and for pins not intended to act in fitted conditions shall be as specified in Table 11. The nominal clearance is:

- a) the difference between the nominal hole diameter and the nominal bolt diameter for round holes;
- b) the difference between respectively the length or the width of the hole and the nominal bolt diameter for slotted holes.

| Nominal bolt or pin diameter d (mm)  | 12 a 14          | 16 18 20 | 22 | 24 | 27<br>to 36 b |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------|----|----|---------------|
| Normal round holes <sup>c</sup>      | 1 <sup>d e</sup> | 2        |    |    | 3             |
| Oversize round holes                 | 3                | 4        |    | 6  | 8             |
| Short slotted holes                  | 4                | 6        |    | 8  | 10            |
| (on the overall length) <sup>f</sup> |                  |          |    |    |               |
| Long slotted holes                   |                  | 1,5 d    |    |    |               |
| (on the overall length) <sup>f</sup> | •                |          |    |    |               |

Table 11 — Nominal clearances for bolts and pins (mm)

- <sup>a</sup> Also applicable to diameters less than 12 mm, unless otherwise specified.
- b Also applicable to diameters more than 36 mm, unless otherwise specified.
- <sup>c</sup> For applications such as towers and masts the nominal clearance for normal round holes shall be reduced by 0,5 mm unless otherwise specified.
- d For coated fasteners, 1 mm nominal clearance can be increased by the coating thickness of the fastener.
- $^{\rm e}$  Bolts with nominal diameter 12 and 14 mm, or countersunk bolts may also be used in 2 mm clearance holes if specified.
- <sup>f</sup> For bolts in slotted holes the nominal clearances across the width shall be the same as the clearances on diameter specified for normal round holes.

For fit bolts the nominal hole diameter shall be equal to the shank diameter of the bolt.

NOTE 1 For fit bolts to EN 14399–8, the nominal diameter of the shank is 1 mm larger than nominal diameter of the threaded portion.

For hot rivets, the nominal hole diameter shall be specified.

For countersunk bolts or hot rivets, nominal dimensions of the countersinking and tolerances on those shall be such that after installation the bolt or rivet shall be flush with the outer face of the outer ply. The dimensions of the countersinking shall be specified accordingly. If countersinking through more than one ply, the plies shall be held firmly together during countersinking.

If countersunk bolts are identified as being for use in tension or preloaded applications, the nominal depth of countersinking shall be at least 2 mm less than the nominal thickness of the outer ply.

NOTE 2 The 2 mm is to allow for adverse tolerances.

### 6.6.2 Tolerances on hole diameter for bolts and pins

Unless otherwise specified, hole diameters shall comply with the following:

a) holes for fit bolts and fitted pins: class H11 according to EN ISO 286-2;

b) thermally cut holes: -0.5/+0.7 mm;

c) other holes:  $\pm 0.5$  mm,

the hole diameter being taken as the average of the maximum and minimum diameters (see Figure 1).

### 6.6.3 Execution of holing

Holes for fasteners or pins may be formed by any process (drilling, punching, laser, plasma or other thermal cutting) provided that this leaves a finished hole such that:

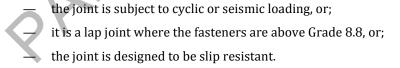
- a) cutting requirements relating to local hardness and quality of cut surface, according to 6.4 are fulfilled;
- b) all matching holes for fasteners or pins register with each other so that fasteners can be inserted freely through the assembled members in a direction at right angles to the faces in contact.

Punching is permitted provided that the nominal thickness of the component is not greater than 1,4 times the nominal diameter of the hole, or for a non-circular hole, its minimum dimension.

Unless otherwise specified, holes may be formed by punching.

Where untreated punched holes are not permitted, holes may be punched at least 2mm less than full size and then reamed or drilled until all trace of the original punched surface has been removed.

NOTE Generally, punching without subsequent reaming or drilling would not be suitable in bolted joints where any of the following conditions applies:



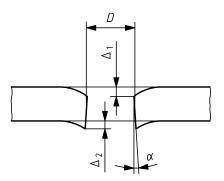
The process capability of punching used for holing shall be checked annually as follows:

- a) eight samples shall be produced from procedure tests on constituent product encompassing the range of hole diameters, constituent product thickness and grades processed;
- b) hole sizes shall be checked at both ends of each hole using go/no go gauges. Holes shall comply with the tolerance class as specified in 6.6.2.

If the process does not conform, it shall not be used until corrected. It may be used on a restricted range of constituent products and hole sizes that do produce conforming results.

Holes formed by punching or thermal cutting shall also conform to the following:

- a) the taper angle ( $\alpha$ ) shall not exceed that shown in Figure 1;
- b) the burrs ( $\Delta$ ) shall not exceed that shown in Figure 1;
- c) at splices, the holes in mating surfaces shall be punched in one direction in all components.



$$D = \frac{(d_{\max} + d_{\min})}{2}$$

$$\max (\Delta_1 \text{ or } \Delta_2) \le \max (D/10; 2 \text{ mm})$$

$$\alpha \le 4^{\circ} \text{ (i.e. 7 \%)}$$

Figure 1 — Permitted distortions of punched or thermally cut holes

Holes for fit bolts and fit pins may be either drilled full size or reamed *in situ*. If the holes are to be reamed *in situ*, they shall be made at least 3 mm undersized initially by drilling or punching. If the fastener is to fit through multiple plies, they shall be held firmly together during drilling or reaming. The reaming shall be carried out with a fixed spindle device. Acidic lubricant shall not be used.

Countersinking of normal round holes for countersunk bolts or rivets shall be undertaken after holing.

Long slotted holes shall be either punched in one operation or formed by drilling or punching two holes and completed by hand thermal cutting, unless otherwise specified.

For cold formed components and sheeting, slotted holes may be formed by punching in a single operation, consecutive punching, or joining two punched or drilled holes by use of a jig saw.

Burrs shall be removed from holes before assembly. If holes are drilled in one operation through parts clamped together which would not otherwise be separated after drilling, removing of burrs is necessary only from the outside holes.

# 6.7 Cut outs

Over-cutting of re-entrant corners shall not be permitted. Re-entrant corners are those where the open angle between the faces is less than 180.

Unless otherwise specified, re-entrant corners and notches shall be rounded off with a minimum radius of 5mm.

At punched cut outs in plates over 16 mm in thickness, the deformed materials shall be removed by grinding. Unless otherwise specified, punched cut outs are permitted.

### 6.8 Full contact bearing surfaces

If full contact bearing surfaces are specified, the cutting length, squareness of ends and flatness of surface shall comply with the tolerances specified in Clause 11.

# 6.9 Assembly

Assembly of components shall be carried out so as to fulfil the specified tolerances.

Precautions shall be taken so as to prevent galvanic corrosion produced by contact between different metallic materials.

Contamination of stainless steel by contact with structural steel shall be avoided.

Drifting to align holes, other than those for fitted bolts or fitted pins, shall be carried out in such a way that the elongation does not exceed the values given in for class 1 in Table B.8.

If the elongation exceeds this value, holes shall be corrected by reaming.

Holes for which elongation is not permitted shall be identified and not be used for alignment (e.g. for fit bolts).

NOTE In such cases, specific alignment holes can be provided.

All connections for temporary components provided for manufacturing purposes shall meet the requirements of this European Standard and any special requirements including those related to fatigue which shall be specified.

Requirements for camber or presets in components shall be checked after completion of assembly.

# 6.10 Assembly check

The fit between manufactured components that are inter-connected at multiple connection interfaces shall be checked using dimensional templates, accurate three-dimensional measurements or by trial assembly. Requirements for whether, and to what extent, trial assembly is to be used shall be specified.

Trial assembly means putting together sufficient components of a whole structure to check that they fit. It should be considered to prove fit-up between components if this is not provable by using templates or measurement.

# 7 Welding

#### 7.1 General

Welding shall be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the relevant part of the EN ISO 3834 series or the EN ISO 14554 series as applicable.

NOTE Guidelines for implementation of the EN ISO 3834 series on quality requirements for fusion welding of metallic materials is given in CEN ISO/TR 3834-6 [10].

The welding of reinforcing steel to structural steel shall be performed in accordance with the recommendations given in the EN ISO 17660 series.

Arc welding of ferritic steels and stainless steels shall be in accordance with the requirements and recommendations of EN 1011-1, EN 1011-2 and EN 1011-3 as relevant.

According to the execution class, the following parts of the EN ISO 3834 series apply:

EXC1: EN ISO 3834-4 "Elementary quality requirements";
 EXC2: EN ISO 3834-3 "Standard quality requirements";

EN 1993-1-1:2005/A1:2014, Annex C [5] (see 4.1.2).

EXC3 and EXC4: EN ISO 3834-2 "Comprehensive quality requirements".

NOTE The scope of application of EXC1 may be restricted in accordance with national provisions arising from

# 7.2 Welding plan

### 7.2.1 Requirements for a welding plan

A welding plan shall be provided as part of the production planning required by the relevant part of the EN ISO 3834 series.

# 7.2.2 Content of a welding plan

The welding plan shall include, as relevant:

- the welding procedure specifications identified to the relevant welding procedure qualification, including welding consumables, any preheating, interpass temperature and post weld heat treatment requirements;
- b) measures to be taken to avoid distortion during and after welding;
- c) the sequence of welding with any restrictions or acceptable locations for start and stop positions, including intermediate stop and start positions where joint geometry is such that welding cannot be executed continuously;

NOTE Guidance for joints of hollow sections is given in Annex E.

- d) requirements for intermediate checking;
- e) turning of components in the welding process, in connection with the sequence of welding;
- f) details of restraints to be applied;
- g) measures to be taken to avoid lamellar tearing;
- h) measures to control the heat input to avoid local hardness in small welds;
- i) special equipment for welding consumables (low hydrogen, conditioning, etc.);
- j) weld profile and finish for stainless steels;
- k) requirements for acceptance criteria of welds in accordance with 7.6;
- l) cross reference to 12.4 of the inspection and test plan;
- m) requirements for weld identification;
- n) requirements for surface treatment according to Clause 10.

If welding or assembly overlaps or masks previous welds special consideration is needed concerning which welds are to be executed first and the possible need to inspect/test a weld before the second weld is executed or before masking components are assembled.

Unless otherwise specified, the conditions for welding cold formed zone should be according to EN 1993–1-8:2005, 4.14.

# 7.3 Welding processes

Welding processes that may be used are defined in EN ISO 4063.

# 7.4 Qualification of welding procedures and welding personnel

# 7.4.1 Qualification of welding procedures

#### 7.4.1.1 General

Welding shall be carried out with qualified procedures using a welding procedure specification (WPS) in accordance with the relevant part of the EN ISO 15609 series, EN ISO 14555, EN ISO 15620 or the EN ISO 17660 series, as relevant.

If specified, special deposition conditions for tack welds shall be included in the WPS. For joints in hollow section lattice structures the WPS shall define the start and stop zones and the method to be used in order to cope with locations where the welds change from a fillet weld to butt around a joint.

The specification and qualification of welding procedures shall be in accordance with EN ISO 15607.

Although there are no specific requirements for welding procedure specifications to EN ISO 15607 in EN ISO 3834-4, appropriate work instructions that specify the welding process and consumables to be used shall provided for EXC1.

# 7.4.1.2 Qualification of welding procedures for processes 111, 114, 12, 13 and 14

The qualification of the welding procedure for processes 111, 114, 12, 13 and 14 depends on the execution class, the parent metal and the degree of mechanization in accordance with Table 12.

Table 12 — Methods of qualification of welding procedures for the processes 111, 114, 12, 13 and 14

| Method of quali             | EXC2   | EXC3<br>EXC4 |   |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------|---|
| Welding procedure test      | EN ISO 15614-1<br>EN ISO 17660-1 /<br>EN ISO 17660-2 a | X            | X |
| Pre-production welding test | EN ISO 15613<br>EN ISO 17660-1 /<br>EN ISO 17660-2 a   | X            | X |
| Standard welding procedure  | EN ISO 15612   | <b>X</b> b   | _ |
| Previous welding experience | EN ISO 15611   | W.C          |   |
| Tested welding consumables  | EN ISO 15610 <sup>d</sup>                              | <b>X</b> c   | _ |

## X Permitted

## Not permitted

- <sup>a</sup> Shall be used only for joints between reinforcing steels and other steel components.
- b Only for materials ≤ S355 or 355 MPa 0,2 % yield strength and not required for fully mechanized welding.
- <sup>c</sup> Only for materials  $\leq$  S275 or 275 MPa 0,2 % yield strength and not required for fully mechanized welding.
- d Only for carbon steels ≤ S275JR and stainless steels ≤ 275 MPa 0,2 % yield strength.

If a qualification procedure is to apply to fillets welds on steel grades  $\geq$  S460, a cruciform tensile test shall be performed in accordance with EN ISO 9018. Alternatively, for fillets welds on steel grades  $\geq$  S460 instead of a test in accordance with EN ISO 9018, if the fillet weld throat for an

undermatched consumable is increased to compensate then an all weld metal tensile test shall be performed and compared with the actual tensile strength declared for the consumable.

Three cross-tensile specimens shall be tested. If the fracture happens in the parent metal, the minimum nominal tensile strength of the parent metal shall be reached. If the fracture happens in the weld metal, the fracture strength of the cross section of the actual weld shall be determined. By processes with deep penetration, the actual root penetration shall be considered. The determined average fracture strength shall be  $\geq 0.8~R_{\rm m}$  (with  $R_{\rm m}$  = nominal tensile strength of the used parent metal).

For the first pass of a single or multi pass deep penetration fillet welding using a fully mechanized process, a welding procedure test according to EN ISO 15614-1 shall be performed and examined for the range of nominal throat thickness which occurs during production. The examination shall include three macro-sections, one from the beginning, one from the middle and one from the end of one test piece. The minimum value of deep penetration shall be determined by measuring the actual values in the macro sections.

NOTE Deep penetration requires that the effective weld throat significantly exceeds the theoretical weld throat.

If welding on shop primers, welding procedure tests shall be carried out on the maximum permitted primer thickness (nominal + tolerance) and in accordance with EN ISO 5817. Shop primers shall demonstrate their weldability according to EN ISO 17652-1 to EN ISO 17652-4. The welding procedure is qualified if the imperfections in the test piece are within the specified limits of quality level B according to EN ISO 5817 except for porosity which shall be as follows:

- a) no linear porosity (cluster of porosity with distance between pores ≤ diameter of pores);
- b) 8% maximum according to EN ISO 5817:2014, Annex A for components generally or 4% maximum for components specified as being subject to fatigue.

For stainless steels in the non-work-hardened condition, welding procedure tests according to EN ISO 15614-1 shall be performed with the exception of the steel grades with the material numbers 1.4301, 1.4307, 1.4541, 1.4401, 1.4404, 1.4571 in the strength class 235-yield strength as well as joints between these materials and with structural carbon steels.

Unless otherwise specified, if EN ISO 15613 or EN ISO 15614-1 qualification procedures are used, the following conditions apply:

- a) If impact tests are a requirement of EN ISO 15614-1 then for EN ISO 15613 as well, they shall be carried out at the lowest temperature required for impact testing of the material qualities being joined, including the lowest temperature testing option where such options exist for a particular Charpy quality.
- b) For steels according to EN 10025-6, one specimen for micro-examination is necessary. Photographs of weld metal, fusion line zone and HAZ shall be recorded. Microcracks are not permitted.
- c) For EXC3 and EXC4, WPQR shall have additional two sets of impact specimens one from weld metal and one from HAZ at the mid thickness or root area of the weld in case of welding thickness t > 50 mm.

### 7.4.1.3 Qualification of welding procedures for other welding processes

The qualification of welding procedures of welding processes not covered in 7.4.1.2 shall be performed according to Table 13.

Table 13 — Qualification of welding procedures for the processes 21, 22, 23, 24, 42, 52, 783 and 784

| Weldi               | ng processes (according to<br>EN ISO 4063)   | Welding<br>procedure   | Qualification of the |
|---------------------|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| Reference<br>number | Nomenclature   | specification<br>(WPS) | welding procedure    |
| 21                  | Spot welding   |                        |                      |
| 22                  | Seam welding   | EN ISO 15609-5         | EN ISO 15614-12      |
| 23                  | Projection welding   |                        |                      |
| 24                  | Flash welding  | EN ISO 15609-5         | EN ISO 15614-13      |
| 42                  | Friction welding   | EN ISO 15620           | EN ISO 15620         |
| 52                  | Laser welding  | EN ISO 15609-4         | EN ISO 15614-11      |
| 783<br>784          | Drawn arc stud welding with ceramic ferrule or shielding gas  Short-cycle drawn arc stud welding | EN ISO 14555           | EN ISO 14555         |

# 7.4.1.4 Validity of a welding procedure qualification

The validity of a welding procedure depends on the requirements of the standard used for the qualification. If specified, welding production tests shall be carried out in accordance with the relevant standard of qualification, e.g. EN ISO 14555, EN ISO 11970, EN ISO 17660-1, EN ISO 17660-2, EN ISO 17652-2.

# 7.4.2 Welders and welding operators

Welders shall be qualified in accordance with EN ISO 9606-1 and welding operators in accordance with EN ISO 14732.

Welders of hollow section branch connection with angles less than  $60^{\circ}$  as defined in EN 1993-1-8 shall be qualified by specific test.

For EXC1, welders shall be tested according to EN ISO 9606-1:2013, 9.3.a) or 9.3.b) and welding operators shall be tested according to EN ISO 14732:2013, 5.3.a) or 5.3.b).

Welders of reinforcing steel shall be qualified in accordance with EN ISO 17660-1 or EN ISO 17660-2.

Records of all welder and welding operator qualification tests shall be kept available.

# 7.4.3 Welding coordination

For EXC1, a sufficient supervision during the execution of welding works shall be provided as specified in EN ISO 3834-4.

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, welding coordination shall be maintained during the execution of welding processes by welding coordination personnel suitably qualified for, and experienced in the welding operations they supervise as specified in EN ISO 14731.

With respect to the welding operations being supervised, welding coordination personnel shall have a technical knowledge according to Tables 14 and 15.

NOTE Steel groups are those defined in CEN ISO/TR 15608 [11]. Correspondence to steel grades and reference standards can be found in CEN ISO/TR 20172.

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The technical knowledge of welding coordinators for welding reinforcing steel shall be in accordance with EN ISO 17660-1:2006, Annex B.

The welding coordinator is responsible for the process of qualification of the welders/operators. Welding coordinators may act as examiners if this is within their competence. If qualification is undertaken by external examiners/examination bodies, this should be done in accordance with EN ISO/IEC 17024.

 ${\bf Table~14-Technical~knowledge~of~the~coordination~personnel-Structural~carbon~steels}$ 

|      | Steels                          |   | Thickness (mm)      |                   |        |  |
|------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------|--|
| EXC  | (steel group)                   | Reference standards   | t ≤ 25 <sup>a</sup> | $25 \le t \le 50$ | t > 50 |  |
| EXC2 | S235 to S355<br>(1.1, 1.2, 1.4) | EN 10025-2, EN 10025-3,<br>EN 10025-4, EN 10025-5,<br>EN 10149-2, EN 10149-3,<br>EN 10210-1, EN 10219-1 | В                   | S                 | Cc     |  |
| EAG2 | S420 to S700<br>(1.3, 2, 3)     | EN 10025-3, EN 10025-4,<br>EN 10025-6, EN 10149-2,<br>EN 10149-3, EN 10210-1,<br>EN 10219-1             | S                   | Cq                | С      |  |
| EXC3 | S235 to S355<br>(1.1, 1.2, 1.4) | EN 10025-2, EN 10025-3,<br>EN 10025-4, EN 10025-5,<br>EN 10149-2, EN 10149-3,<br>EN 10210-1, EN 10219-1 | S                   | С                 | С      |  |
| EAGS | S420 to S700<br>(1.3, 2, 3)     | EN 10025-3, EN 10025-4,<br>EN 10025-6, EN 10149-2,<br>EN 10149-3, EN 10210-1,<br>EN 10219-1             | С                   | С                 | С      |  |
| EXC4 | All                             | All   | С                   | С                 | С      |  |

a Column base plates and endplates ≤ 50 mm

b Column base plates and endplates ≤ 75 mm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> For steels up to and including S275, level S is sufficient

d For steels N, NL, M and ML, level S is sufficient

Table 15 — Technical knowledge of the coordination personnel — Stainless steels

| EXC  | Steels                           | Reference standards  | Thickness (mm) |                   |               |  |
|------|----------------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------|---------------|--|
| EXC  | (steel group)                    | Reference standards  | t≤25           | $25 \le t \le 50$ | <i>t</i> > 50 |  |
| TW60 | Austenitic (8)<br>Ferritic (7.1) | EN 10088-4:2009, Table 3<br>EN 10088-5:2009, Table 4<br>EN 10296-2:2005, Table 1<br>EN 10297-2:2005, Table 2 | В              | S                 | С             |  |
| EXC2 | Austenitic-ferritic (10)         | EN 10088–4:2009, Table 4<br>EN 10088–5:2009, Table 5<br>EN 10296–2:2005, Table 1<br>EN 10297–2:2005, Table 3 | S              | С                 | С             |  |
| EVC  | Austenitic (8)<br>Ferritic (7.1) | EN 10088–4:2009, Table 3<br>EN 10088–5:2009, Table 4<br>EN 10296–2:2005, Table 1<br>EN 10297–2:2005, Table 2 | S              | С                 | С             |  |
| EXC3 | Austenitic-ferritic (10)         | EN 10088–4:2009, Table 4<br>EN 10088–5:2009, Table 5<br>EN 10296–2:2005, Table 1<br>EN 10297–2:2005, Table 3 | С              | С                 | С             |  |
| EXC4 | All                              | All  | С              | С                 | С             |  |

# 7.5 Preparation and execution of welding

### 7.5.1 Joint preparation

#### 7.5.1.1 General

Joint preparations shall be suitable for welding process.

Tolerances for joints preparations and fit-up shall be given in the WPSs.

EN ISO 9692-1 and EN ISO 9692-2 give some recommended weld preparation details. For weld preparation details of bridge decks, see EN 1993–2:2006, Annex C.

If cope holes are provided to ensure accessibility, they shall have a minimum radius of 40 mm unless otherwise specified.

Joint preparation shall be free from visible cracks. For steel grades higher than S460, cut areas shall be descaled by grinding, and verified to be free from cracks by visual inspection, dye penetrant or magnetic particle testing. Visible cracks shall be removed by grinding and the joint geometry corrected as necessary.

If large notches or other imperfections in joint geometry are corrected by welding a qualified procedure shall be used, and the area shall be subsequently ground smooth and feathered into the adjacent weld and product surfaces.

All surfaces to be welded shall be dry and free from material that would adversely affect the quality of the welds or impede the process of welding (rust, organic material or galvanizing).

For EXC1 prefabrication primers (shop primers) may be left on the fusion faces only if they do not adversely affect the welding process. For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, prefabrication primers shall not be left on the fusion faces, unless welding procedure tests in accordance with EN ISO 15614-1 or EN ISO 15613 have been qualified using such prefabrication primers.

NOTE EN ISO 17652-2 describes tests for assessing the influence of shop primers on the weldability.

#### 7.5.1.2 Hollow sections

Circular hollow sections being used as branch components in fillet-welded joints may be cut in straight segments to prepare them for interconnection at saddle joints provided that the fit-up of the joint geometry suits the requirements of the WPS.

For joints between hollow sections welded from one side, the joint preparations given EN ISO 9692-1 and EN ISO 9692-2 shall be used, as appropriate. Annex E illustrates the application given in EN ISO 9692-1 and EN ISO 9692-2 to branch joints between hollow sections.

### 7.5.2 Storage and handling of welding consumables

The welding consumables shall be stored, handled and used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

If electrodes and fluxes need to be dried and stored, appropriate temperature levels and times shall be fulfilled in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Welding consumables showing signs of damage shall be rejected.

NOTE Examples of damage or deterioration include cracked or flaked coatings on covered electrodes, rusty or dirty electrode wires and electrode wires with flaked or damaged copper coatings.

# 7.5.3 Weather protection

Both the welder and the working area shall be adequately protected against the effects of wind, rain and snow.

NOTE Gas shielded welding processes are particularly sensitive to wind effects.

Surfaces to be welded shall be maintained dry and free from condensation.

If the temperature of material to be welded is below 5 °C suitable heating might be necessary (see EN 1011-1).

# 7.5.4 Assembly for welding

Components to be welded shall be brought into alignment and held in position by tack welds or external devices and maintained during initial welding. Assembly shall be carried out such that the fit-up of joints and the final dimensions of the components are all within the specified tolerances. Suitable allowances shall be made for distortion and shrinkage.

The components to be welded shall be assembled and held in position such that the joints to be welded are readily accessible and easily visible to the welder.

Assembly of hollow section components to be welded should be in accordance with the guidance given in Annex E, unless otherwise specified.

Additional welds shall not be introduced, and the locations of specified welds shall not be changed without ensuring compliance with the specification. Methods of locally strengthening a welded joint in a

hollow section lattice structure should facilitate the testing of the integrity of the as-welded joint. The alternative of thickening the component should also be considered.

NOTE Typical details include saddles, diaphragms, division plates, cover plates, cheek plates and through plates.

# 7.5.5 Preheating

Preheating shall be carried out in accordance with EN ISO 13916 and EN 1011-2.

Preheat shall be undertaken according to applicable WPS and applied during welding, including tack welding and the welding of temporary attachments.

### 7.5.6 Temporary attachments

If the assembly or erection procedure requires the use of components temporarily attached by welds, they shall be positioned such that they can easily be removed without damage to the permanent steelwork. All welds for temporary attachments shall be made in accordance with the WPS. Any areas where welding of temporary attachments is not permitted shall be specified.

Restrictions on the use of temporary attachments for EXC3 and EXC4 shall be specified in the execution specification.

The removal of temporary welded attachments by cutting, gouging or chipping shall be carried out in such a way that the parent metal is not damaged and shall subsequently be carefully ground smooth. The removal locations shall be visually inspected and for steel grades  $\geq$  S355 shall be subjected to NDT. Chipping and gouging are not permitted on steel grades  $\geq$  S460 or on components subject to fatigue, unless otherwise specified.

Adequate inspection shall be carried out to ensure that the constituent product is not cracked on the surface at the temporary weld location.

#### 7.5.7 Tack welds

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, tack welds shall be made using welding procedure specification based on a suitable qualified welding procedure. The minimum length of the tack shall be the lesser of four times the thickness of the thicker part or 50 mm, unless a shorter length can be demonstrated as satisfactory by test.

All tack welds not incorporated into the final welds shall be removed. Tack welds that are to be incorporated into the final weld shall have a suitable shape and be carried out by qualified welders. Tack welds shall be free from deposition faults and shall be cleaned thoroughly before final welding. Cracked tack welds shall be removed.

# 7.5.8 Fillet welds

# 7.5.8.1 General

A fillet weld, as deposited, shall not be less than the specified dimensions for throat thickness and/or leg length as appropriate, taking into account the following:

- a) the full throat thickness shown as achievable using WPSs for deep or partial penetration welding processes;
- b) that if a gap h exceeds the imperfection limit, it may be compensated for by an increase in the throat thickness  $a = a_{\text{nom}} + 0.7h$  where  $a_{\text{nom}}$  is the specified nominal throat thickness. For "Incorrect fit up" (617 to EN ISO 5817:2014) quality levels apply provided that the throat thickness is maintained in accordance with (5213 to EN ISO 5817:2014);

c) that for bridge decks particular manufacturing requirements apply, e.g. for the throat thickness of fillet welds, see 7.5.17 and Table B.13.

### 7.5.8.2 Fillet welds on member connections

Fillet welds terminating at the ends or sides of components shall be returned continuously around the corners for a distance of not less than twice the leg length of the weld unless access or configuration renders this impracticable. End returns on fillet welds shall be completed unless otherwise specified.

The minimum length of a run of fillet weld, excluding end returns, shall be at least four times the leg length of the weld.

Intermittent fillet weld shall not be used where capillary action could lead to the formation of rust pockets. End runs of fillet welds shall extend to the end of the part connected.

For lap joints, the minimum lap shall be not less than four times the thickness of the thinner connected part. Single fillet welds shall not be used if the parts are not restrained to prevent opening of the joint.

If the end of a component is connected only by longitudinal fillet welds, the length of each weld shall not be less than the transverse spacing between them.

### 7.5.9 Butt welds

#### 7.5.9.1 General

The execution specification shall specify the location of butt welds used as splices to accommodate available lengths of constituent products.

NOTE This allows verification of consistency with the design.

The ends of butt welds shall be terminated in a manner that ensures sound welds with full throat thickness.

For EXC3 and EXC4, and for EXC2 if specified, run-on/run-off pieces shall be used for full penetration transverse butt welds. If specified for EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4 run-on/run-off pieces shall be used for full penetration longitudinal butt welds or partial penetration butt welds. The weldability of such run-on/run-off pieces shall not be less than that of the parent metal.

After completion of the welds, any run-on/run-off pieces or supplementary material shall be removed and their removal shall comply with 7.5.6.

The execution specification shall specify if excess weld metal shall be removed to a flush surface.

# 7.5.9.2 Single sided welds

Full penetration welds welded from one side may be produced with or without metallic or non-metallic backing material.

Unless otherwise specified, permanent steel backing material may be used. The requirements for its use shall be included in the WPS.

If steel backing is used, it shall have a carbon equivalent value (CEV) not exceeding 0,43 %, or be the same material as the most weldable of the parent metal to be joined by the weld.

Backing materials shall be fitted tightly to the parent metal and should preferably be continuous for the full length of the joint. For EXC3 and EXC4, permanent backing metal shall be made continuous by means of full penetration butt welds. Tack welds shall be included in the butt welds.

Flush grinding of single-sided butt welds in joints between hollow sections executed without backing is not permitted, unless otherwise specified; if those welds are fully backed they may be ground off flush with the general surface profile of the parent metal.

## 7.5.9.3 Back gouging

Back gouging shall be carried out to a sufficient depth to eliminate weld defects in the previously deposited weld metal.

Back gouging shall produce a contour of a single U-shaped groove with its fusion faces readily accessible for welding.

### 7.5.10 Welds on steels with improved atmospheric corrosion resistance

Welds on steels with improved atmospheric resistance shall be carried out using appropriate welding consumables (see Table 6). As a further option, C-Mn consumables may be used for the body of a multirun fillet or butt weld, provided the capping runs are made using suitable consumables.

#### 7.5.11 Branch connections

Branch connections in hollow section lattice structures, which use combined welded joints (fillet weld and single-sided butt weld), may be welded without backing.

NOTE Recommendations for execution of branch connections are given in Annex E.

### 7.5.12 Stud welding

Stud welding shall be carried out in accordance with EN ISO 14555

Procedure testing undertaken in accordance with EN ISO 14555 shall be consistent with the application.

NOTE For example, the procedure test may require stud welding through galvanized decking sheets.

### 7.5.13 Slot and plug welds

Holes for slot and plug welds shall be proportioned so that adequate access can be provided for welding. Dimensions shall be specified.

NOTE Suitable dimensions are:

- 1) width: at least 8 mm more than the thickness of the part containing it;
- 2) length of elongated hole: the lesser of 70 mm or five times the plate thickness.

Plug welds shall be made only on slot welds after the fillet welding in the slot has been checked as satisfactory. Plug welds performed without previous slot welding are not permitted unless otherwise specified.

# 7.5.14 Other weld types

The requirements for other weld types, e.g. seal welds, shall be specified and shall be subject to the same welding requirements as specified in this European Standard.

#### 7.5.15 Post-weld heat treatment

If heat treatment of welded components is necessary, it shall be demonstrated that the procedures used are appropriate.

NOTE Guidance for quality requirements for heat treatment is given in EN ISO 17663 [12].

# 7.5.16 Execution of welding

Precautions shall be taken to avoid stray arcing, and if stray arcs do occur outside the weld fusion face, the surface of the steel shall be lightly ground and checked. Visual checking for steel grades  $\geq$  S460 should be supplemented by penetrant or magnetic particle testing.

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Precautions shall be taken to minimize weld spatter. Unless otherwise specified, for steel grades  $\geq$  S460 it shall be removed.

Visible imperfections such as cracks, cavities and other not permitted imperfections shall be removed from each run before deposition of further runs.

All slag shall be removed from the surface of each run before each subsequent run is added and from the surface of the finished weld. Particular attention shall be paid to the junctions between the weld and the parent metal.

Any requirements for grinding and dressing of the surface of completed welds shall be specified.

### 7.5.17 Welding of orthotropic bridge decks

Production tests shall be carried out according to 12.4.4 c). Production tests are not required for stiffener-deck plate connection outside the roadway (kerbs) which is without loading by vehicles.

For stiffener-deck plate connections and local welds, e.g. at stiffener-stiffener connections with splice plates the starts and stops shall be removed.

For stiffener-crossbeam connections with stiffeners passing through the crossbeam with or without cope holes at first the stiffeners should be welded to the deck plate and the crossbeams subsequently assembled and welded.

# 7.6 Acceptance criteria

# 7.6.1 Routine requirements

Welded components shall comply with the requirements specified in Clauses 10 and 11.

Unless otherwise specified, for EXC1, EXC2 and EXC3 the acceptance criteria for weld imperfections shall be as follows, with reference to EN ISO 5817:2014, except "Incorrect toe" (505) and "Micro lack of fusion" (401) which are not to be taken into account. Any additional requirements specified for weld geometry and profile shall be taken into account:

- a) EXC1 quality level D except quality level C for "Insufficient throat" (5213);
- b) EXC2 quality level C except quality level D for "Overlap" (506), "Stray arc" (601) and "End crater pipe" (2025) and quality level B for "Insufficient throat" (5213);
- c) EXC3 quality level B.

NOTE Welds in connections designed according to EN 1993–1-8 generally require quality level defined for EXC2.

For EXC4 the weld shall meet the requirements of EXC3 as a minimum. Additional requirements with respect to identified welds shall be specified.

# 7.6.2 Fatigue requirements

For welds subject to fatigue designed according to EN 1993-1-9, the execution specification shall specify the relevant acceptance criteria in terms of the detail category (DC) for the welded joint location.

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, in addition to the criteria specified in 7.6.1, the acceptance criteria for welds may be specified in accordance with EN ISO 5817:2014, Annex C as follows:

a) DC not exceeding 63: Quality level C 63;

b) DC above 63 and not exceeding 90: Quality level B 90;

c) DC above 90 and not exceeding 125: Quality level B 125.

The execution specification shall specify execution requirements that are necessary to comply with the execution requirements given in of EN 1993-1-9:2005, Tables 8.1 to 8.8 and/or of EN 1993-2:2006, Annex C.

### 7.6.3 Orthotropic bridge decks

If specified in the execution specification, welds in orthotropic bridge decks, as shown in EN 1993-1-9:2005, Table 8.8, shall meet the requirements of 7.6.1 together with the requirements of EN 1993-2:2006.

#### 7.6.4 Evaluation of nonconformities

In case of nonconformities with the above criteria, each case should be judged individually. Such evaluation should be based on the function of the component and the characteristics of the imperfections (type, size, location) in order to decide whether the weld is either acceptable or shall be repaired.

EN 1993–1-1, EN 1993–1-8, EN 1993–1-9 and EN 1993–2 may be used to evaluate the acceptability of imperfections.

# 7.7 Welding of stainless steels

The requirements for welding different stainless steel types to each other or to other steels, such as carbon steels, shall be specified.

The welding coordinator shall take into account the appropriate welding techniques, welding processes and welding consumables. The issues associated with contamination of the stainless steel and galvanic corrosion should be considered carefully.

# 8 Mechanical fastening

#### 8.1 General

This clause covers requirements for shop and site fastening.

Separate components forming part of a common ply shall not differ in thickness by more than D, where D is 2 mm generally and 1 mm in preloaded applications (see Figure 2). If steel packing plates are provided to ensure that the difference in thickness does not exceed the above limit, their thickness shall not be less than 1 mm.

In case of severe exposure, avoiding cavity corrosion may require closer contact.

Plate thickness shall be chosen to limit the number of packing plates to a maximum of three.

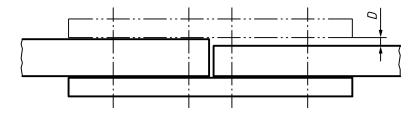


Figure 2 — Difference of thickness between components of a common ply

Packing plates shall have compatible corrosion behaviour and mechanical strength with the adjacent plate components of the connection. Full consideration shall be given to the risk and implication of galvanic corrosion resulting from dissimilar metals being in contact.

# 8.2 Use of bolting assemblies

#### 8.2.1 General

This clause refers to bolting assemblies specified in 5.6, consisting of matching bolts, nuts and washers (as necessary).

It shall be specified if, in addition to tightening, other measures or means are to be used to secure the nuts.

Bolted connections with small clamp lengths in thin gauge components subject to significant vibrations, such as storage racks, shall use a locking method.

Unless otherwise specified, preloaded assemblies do not require additional locking devices.

Bolts and nuts shall not be welded, unless otherwise specified. This restriction does not apply to special weld nuts according to e.g. EN ISO 21670 or weldable studs.

#### **8.2.2 Bolts**

The nominal fastener diameter used for structural bolting shall be at least M12, unless otherwise specified together with the associated requirements. For cold formed components and sheeting the minimum diameter shall be specified for each type of fastener (see prEN 1090-4).

The bolt length shall be chosen such that after tightening the following requirements are met for bolt end protrusion beyond the nut face and the thread length.

The length of protrusion shall be at least the length of one thread pitch measured from the outer face of the nut to the end of the bolt for preloaded and non-preloaded assemblies.

If it is intended that a connection utilizes the shear capacity of the unthreaded shank of bolts, then the dimensions of the bolts shall be specified to allow for the tolerances on the length of the unthreaded portion.

NOTE The length of the unthreaded bolt shaft of full cross section is shorter than the nominal unthreaded length (e.g. by up to 12 mm for an M20 bolt).

For non-preloaded bolts, at least one full thread (in addition to the thread run out) shall remain clear between the bearing surface of the nut and the unthreaded part of the shank.

For preloaded bolting assemblies according to the EN 14399 series clamp lengths and grip lengths shall be chosen in accordance with the relevant product standards.

The tabulated nominal clamp lengths and grip lengths in the EN 14399 series take into account that between the bearing surface of the nut and the unthreaded part of the shank in assemblies according to EN 14399–4 and EN 14399–8 nominally at least two full threads and in assemblies according to EN 14399–3, EN 14399–7 and EN 14399–10 nominally at least four full threads shall remain clear.

#### 8.2.3 Nuts

Nuts shall run freely on their partnering bolt, which is easily checked during hand assembly. Any nut and bolt assembly where the nut does not run freely shall be discarded. If a power tool is used, either of the following two checks may be used:

- a) for each new batch of nuts or bolts their compatibility may be checked by hand assembly before installation;
- b) for mounted bolt assemblies but prior to tightening, sample nuts may be checked for free-running by hand after initial loosening.

Nuts shall be assembled so that their designation markings are visible for inspection after assembly.

#### 8.2.4 Washers

Generally, washers are not required for use with non-preloaded bolts in normal round holes. If required, it shall be specified whether washers are to be placed under the nut or the bolt head, whichever is rotated, or both. For single lap connections with only one bolt row, washers are required under both bolt head and the nut, unless otherwise specified.

NOTE The use of washers can reduce local damage to metal coatings particularly where these are thick coatings.

Washers used under heads of preloaded bolts shall be chamfered according to EN 14399-6 and positioned with the chamfer towards the bolt head. Washers according to EN 14399-5 shall only be used under nuts. Plain washers (or if necessary hardened taper washers) shall be used for preloaded bolts as follows:

- a) for 8.8 bolts a washer shall be used under the bolt head or the nut, whichever is to be rotated;
- b) for 10.9 bolts used with steel grade S235 washers shall be used under both the bolt head and the nut:
- c) unless the use of washers under both the bolt head and the nut is specified, for 10.9 bolts used with steel grades above S235 washers shall be used under the bolt head or the nut, whichever is to be rotated.

The allowable adjustment of grip length for preloaded and non-preloaded bolting assemblies is given in Table 16.

Plate washers according to 5.6.9.3 shall be used for connections with slotted and oversized holes unless otherwise specified.

Table 16 — Allowable adjustment of grip length for preloaded and non-preloaded bolts

| Preloaded bolts <sup>a</sup>   | Non-preloaded bolts   |
|--|---|
| In addition to the standard washer/s up to two additional washers <sup>b</sup> or one plate washer or one washer <sup>b</sup> and one plate washer may be used.  The combined thickness of the additional washers <sup>b</sup> shall not exceed 12 mm. | In addition to the standard washers up to three washers or two washers and one plate washer or one washer and one plate washer or a plate washer may be used.  The combined thickness of the additional washers shall not exceed 12 mm. |

- <sup>a</sup> For preloaded bolting assemblies tightened by the torque control method (including system HRC) only one additional plate washer may be used on the side that is turned. An additional plate washer or additional washer may be placed on the side that is not turned.
- b Washers in accordance with EN 14399–5 or EN 14399–6 as appropriate. Washers to EN 14399–5 shall not be used for assemblies to EN 14399–4 and EN 14399–10.

If additional washers or plate washers are used, the connection detail should be checked to ensure that the shear plane for bolts with a shank has not been relocated into the threaded portion of the bolt.

Dimensions and steel grades of plate washers shall be specified. They shall not be thinner than 4 mm.

Taper washers shall be used if the surface of the constituent product is at an angle to a plane perpendicular to the bolt axis of more than:

- a) 1/20 (3°) for bolts with  $d \le 20$  mm;
- b)  $1/30 (2^{\circ})$  for bolts with d > 20 mm.

Dimensions and steel grades of taper washers shall be specified.

### 8.3 Tightening of non-preloaded bolts

The connected components shall be drawn together such that they achieve firm contact.

Shims may be used to adjust the fit. For constituent products with  $t \ge 4$  mm for plates and sheeting and  $t \ge 8$  mm for sections, unless full contact bearing is specified, residual gaps of up to 4 mm may be left at the edges on condition that contact bearing is achieved at the central part of a connection.

Each bolt assembly shall be brought at least to a snug-tight condition, with special care being given to avoid over-tightening especially short bolts and M12. The tightening process shall be carried out from bolt to bolt of the group, starting from the most rigid part of the connection and moving progressively towards the least rigid part. To achieve a uniform snug-tight condition, more than one cycle of tightening may be necessary.

NOTE 1 The most rigid part of a cover plate connection of an I section is commonly in the middle of the connection bolt group. The most rigid parts of end plate connections of I sections are usually beside the flanges.

NOTE 2 The term "snug-tight" can generally be taken as that achievable by the effort of one man using a normal sized spanner without an extension arm, and can be set as the point at which a percussion wrench starts hammering.

# 8.4 Preparation of contact surfaces in slip resistant connections

This clause is not applicable to stainless steels for which any requirement related to contact surfaces shall be specified. This clause does not deal with corrosion protection for which requirements are specified in Clause 10 and Annex F.

The area of contact surfaces in preloaded slip-resistant connections shall be specified.

Surface treatment that may be assumed to provide the minimum slip factor according to the specified class of friction surface without test are given in Table 17.

Table 17 — Classifications that may be assumed for friction surfaces

| Surface treatment   | Class a | Slip factor μ |
|---|---------|---------------|
| Surfaces blasted with shot or grit with loose rust removed, not pitted.   | A       | 0,50          |
| Surfaces hot dip galvanized to EN ISO 1461 and flash (sweep) blasted $^b$ and with alkali-zinc silicate paint with a nominal thickness of 40 $\mu m$ to 80 $\mu m$ .  | В       | 0,40          |
| Surfaces blasted with shot or grit:<br>a) coated with alkali-zinc silicate paint with a nominal thickness of $40~\mu m$ to $80~\mu m$ ;<br>b) thermally sprayed with aluminium or zinc or a combination of both to a nominal thickness not exceeding $80~\mu m$ . | В       | 0,40          |
| Surfaces hot dip galvanized to EN ISO 1461 and flash (sweep) blasted (or equivalent abrasion method) <sup>b</sup>   | С       | 0,35          |
| Surfaces cleaned by wire-brushing or flame cleaning, with loose rust removed  | С       | 0,30          |
| Surfaces as rolled  | D       | 0,20          |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Classes as given in G.6.

These requirements apply also to packing plates provided to offset differences in thickness as specified in 8.1.

Otherwise, the slip factor, which shall be determined by test as specified in Annex G, and the contact surfaces shall be prepared in accordance with the tested samples.

The following precautions shall be taken prior to assembly:

- a) the contact surfaces shall be free from all contaminants, such as oil, dirt or paint. Burrs that would prevent solid seating of the connecting parts shall be removed;
- b) uncoated surfaces shall be freed from all films of rust and other loose material. Care shall be taken not to damage or smooth the roughened surface. Untreated areas around the perimeter of the tightened connection shall be left untreated until any inspection of the connection has been completed;
- c) thick surface coatings should not be present between washers and connected surfaces (see Annex H).

# 8.5 Tightening of preloaded bolts

#### 8.5.1 General

Unless otherwise specified, the nominal minimum preloading force  $F_{p,C}$  shall be taken as:

$$F_{\rm p,C} = 0.7 f_{\rm ub} A_{\rm s}$$
 (1)

b Unless alternative equivalent abrasion process capability can be demonstrated, flash (sweep) blasting of hot dip galvanized surfaces shall be carried out according to the procedures and conditions set out in EN 15773 [13].

#### where

- $f_{\rm ub}$  is the nominal ultimate strength of the bolt material
- $A_{\rm s}$  is the stress area of the bolt as defined in EN 1993-1-8 and specified in Table 18.

This level of preload shall be used for all slip resistant preloaded connections and for all other preloaded connections unless a lower level of preload is specified. In the latter case, the bolt assemblies, the tightening method, the tightening parameters and the inspection requirements shall also be specified.

NOTE Preload can be used for slip resistance, for seismic connections, for fatigue resistance, for execution purposes, or as a quality measure (e.g. for durability).

| Property Bolt diameter in mm |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     | <b>)</b> |     |
|------------------------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|-----|
| class                        | 12 | 14 | 16  | 18  | 20  | 22  | 24  | 27  | 30       | 36  |
| 8.8                          | 47 | 65 | 88  | 108 | 137 | 170 | 198 | 257 | 314      | 458 |
| 10.9                         | 59 | 81 | 110 | 134 | 172 | 212 | 247 | 321 | 393      | 572 |

Table 18 — Values of  $F_{p,C}$  in [kN]

Any of the four tightening methods given in 8.5.3 to 8.5.6 may be used unless restrictions on their use are specified. The *k*-class (as-delivered calibration condition) of the bolting assembly shall be in accordance with Table 19 for the method used.

| Tightening method                                 | k-classes                  |
|---|----------------------------|
| Torque method (see 8.5.3)                         | К2                         |
| Combined method (see 8.5.4)                       | K2 or K1                   |
| HRC tightening method (see 8.5.5)                 | K0 with HRD nut only or K2 |
| Direct tension indicator (DTI) method (see 8.5.6) | K2, K1 or K0               |

Table 19 - k-classes for tightening methods

For the Torque and HRC tightening methods, the coefficient of variation for the bolt assemblies k-factor ( $V_k$  according to EN 14399-1) or for the bolt assembly Fr-factor ( $V_{Fr}$  according to EN 14399-10) shall be  $\leq 0.06$ .

As an alternative, calibration to Annex I may be used, except for the torque method unless this is permitted in the execution specification.

The as-delivered calibration is valid for tightening by rotation of the nut. If tightening is done by rotation of the bolt head, calibration shall be done according to Annex I or by supplementary testing otherwise in accordance with EN 14399-2.

Burrs, loose material and excessive thickness of paint that would prevent solid seating of the connecting parts shall be removed before assembly.

Before commencement of preloading, the connected components shall be fitted together and the bolts in a bolt group shall be tightened in accordance with 8.3 but the residual gap shall be limited to 2 mm with the necessary corrective action on steel components.

Tightening shall be performed by rotation of the nut except where the access to the nut side of the assembly is inadequate. Special precautions, depending on the tightening method adopted, may have to be taken when bolts are tightened by rotation of the bolt head.

Both at the first step and at the final tightening step, tightening shall be carried out progressively from the most rigid part of the joint to the least rigid part. To achieve uniform preloading, more than one cycle of tightening may be necessary.

Torque wrenches used in all steps of the torque method shall be capable of an accuracy of  $\pm$  4 % according to EN ISO 6789. Each wrench shall be maintained in accordance with EN ISO 6789, and in case of pneumatic wrenches checked every time the hose length is changed. For torque wrenches used in the first step of the combined method, these requirements are modified to  $\pm$  10 % for the accuracy and yearly for the periodicity.

Checking shall be carried out after any incident occurring during use (significant impact, fall, overloading etc.) and affecting the wrench.

Other tightening methods (e.g. axial preloading by hydraulic devices or tensioning with ultrasonic control) shall be calibrated in accordance with the recommendations from the equipment manufacturer.

High strength bolts for preloading shall be used without alteration to the as-delivered lubrication unless DTI method or the procedure in Annex I is adopted.

If a bolt assembly has been tightened to the minimum preload and is later un-tightened, it shall be removed and the whole assembly shall be discarded.

Bolt assemblies used for achieving initial fit up should not generally need to be tightened to the minimum preload or un-tightened, and would therefore still be usable in location in the final bolting up process.

If the tightening process is delayed under uncontrolled exposure conditions the performance of the lubrication may be altered and should be checked.

The potential loss of preloading force from its initial value due to several factors, e.g. relaxation, creep of surface coatings (see F.4 and Table 17), is considered in the tightening methods specified below except for thick surface coatings. For thick surface coatings, the potential loss of preload may be evaluated using Annex H. In the case of thick surface coatings it shall be specified if additional measures shall be taken to compensate for possible subsequent loss of preloading force.

### 8.5.2 Torque reference values

For the torque method and the combined method, the torque reference values  $M_{r,i}$  to be used for a nominal minimum preloading force  $F_{p,C}$  are determined for each type of bolt and nut combination used by one of the following options:

- a) values based on k-class declared by the fastener manufacturer in accordance with the relevant parts of the EN 14399 series:
  - 1)  $M_{r,2} = k_{\rm m} d F_{\rm p,C}$  with  $k_{\rm m}$  for k-class K2.
  - 2)  $M_{r,1} = 0.094 d F_{p,C}$  for k-class K1.
- b) values determined according to Annex I:

 $M_{\rm r,test}$  =  $M_{\rm m}$  with  $M_{\rm m}$  determined according to the procedure relevant to the tightening method to be used.

### 8.5.3 Torque method

The bolts shall be tightened using a torque wrench offering a suitable operating range. Hand or power operated wrenches may be used. Impact wrenches may be used for the first step of tightening for each bolt.

The tightening torque shall be applied continuously and smoothly.

Tightening by the torque method comprises at least the two following steps:

- a) a first tightening step: the wrench shall be set to a torque value of about 0,75  $M_{r,i}$  with  $M_{r,i} = M_{r,2}$  or  $M_{r,test}$ . This first step shall be completed for all bolts in one connection prior to commencement of the second step;
- b) a second tightening step: the wrench shall be set to a torque value of 1,10  $M_{r,i}$  with  $M_{r,i} = M_{r,2}$  or  $M_{r,test}$

NOTE The use of the 1,10 coefficient with Mr,2 is equivalent to  $1/(1 - 1,65 V_k)$  with  $V_k$  or  $V_{Fr} = 0,06$  for k-class K2 in combination with the  $V_{k,tools}$ . See EN 14399–1 for the coefficient of variation factors  $V_k$  and  $V_{Fr}$  factors.  $V_{k,tools}$  is the coefficient of variation associated with the calibration of tools used in the tightening methodology.

# 8.5.4 Combined method

Tightening by the combined method comprises two steps:

a) a first tightening step, using a torque wrench offering a suitable operating range. The wrench shall be set to a torque value of about  $0.75 M_{r,i}$  with  $M_{r,i} = M_{r,2}$  or  $M_{r,1}$  or  $M_{r,test}$ . This first step shall be completed for all bolts in one connection prior to commencement of the second step. When using  $M_{r,1}$ , for simplification  $M_{r,1} = 0.125 d F_{p,C}$  as given in Table 20 may be used, unless otherwise specified;

Table 20 — Torque moment in [Nm] for the first step in the combined method

| Property | Bolt diameter in mm |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |
|----------|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| class    | 12                  | 14  | 16  | 18  | 20  | 22  | 24  | 27  | 30   | 36   |
| 8.8      | 53                  | 85  | 132 | 182 | 258 | 351 | 446 | 652 | 886  | 1548 |
| 10.9     | 67                  | 106 | 165 | 227 | 322 | 439 | 557 | 815 | 1107 | 1935 |

b) a second tightening step in which a specified part turn is applied to the turned part of the assembly. The position of the nut relative to the bolt threads shall be marked after the first step, using a marking crayon or marking paint, so that the final rotation of the nut relative to the thread in this second step can be easily determined. The second step shall be in accordance with the values of Table 21, unless otherwise specified.

Table 21 — Additional rotation for the second step in the combined method (8.8 and 10.9 bolts)

| Total nominal thickness "t" of parts to be connected (including all packs and washers) | Further rotation to be applied, during the second step of tightening |           |  |  |  |
|--|--|-----------|--|--|--|
| d = bolt diameter  | Degrees  | Part turn |  |  |  |
| t < 2d   | 60   | 1/6       |  |  |  |
| $2d \le t < 6d$  | 90   | 1/4       |  |  |  |
| $6d \le t \le 10d$   | 120  | 1/3       |  |  |  |

NOTE Where the surface under the bolt head or nut (allowing for taper washers, if used) is not perpendicular to the bolt axis, the required angle of rotation should be determined by testing

#### 8.5.5 HRC method

The HRC bolts shall be tightened using a specific shear wrench equipped with two co-axial sockets, which react by, torque one against the other. The outer socket, which engages the nut, rotates clockwise. The inner socket, which engages the spline end of the bolt, rotates anticlockwise.

NOTE 1 The shear wrench operates as follows:

- during the tightening operation of an assembly, the socket in rotation is the one that finds the least resistance to it;
- from the outset and right up to the last tightening step, the outer socket on the nut rotates clockwise while the inner socket holds the spline end without rotating, the result being that the bolt assembly is progressively tightened by the increasing torque applied to the nut;
- at the last tightening step, i.e. when the torsional resistance plateau of the break-neck section is attained, the inner socket rotates anticlockwise while the outer socket on nut provides the reaction without rotating;
- the bolt assembly installation is complete when the spline end shears off at the break-neck section.

The specified preload requirement is controlled by the HRC bolt itself by means of the geometrical and torsion mechanical characteristics together with the lubrication conditions. The equipment does not need calibration.

In order to ensure that the preloads in fully installed bolts in connections meet the specified minimum preload requirement, the bolt installation process generally comprises two tightening steps; both using the shear wrench.

The first tightening step is achieved at the latest when the shear wrench outer socket stops turning. If specified this first step is repeated as often as required. This first step shall be completed for all bolts in one connection prior to commencement of the second step.

NOTE 2 Guidance of the equipment manufacturer may give additional information on how to identify if pretightening has occurred, e.g. sound of shear wrench changing, or if other methods of pretightening are suitable.

The second tightening step is achieved when the spline end of the bolt shears off at the break-neck.

If the assembly conditions are such that it is not possible to use the shear wrench on the HRC bolt assembly, e.g. for lack of space, tightening shall be carried out using a procedure in accordance with the torque control method (see 8.5.3) with the aid of the k-class K2 information or test according to Annex I, or using a direct tension indicator (see 8.5.6).

### 8.5.6 Direct tension indicator method

This subclause applies to compressible washers, such as direct tension indicators in accordance with EN 14399-9, which indicate at least the required minimum preload has been achieved, by monitoring the force in the bolt. It does not cover indicators that rely on torsion. It does not apply to direct measurement of bolt preload by use of hydraulic instruments.

The direct tension indicators and their associated washers shall be assembled as specified in EN 14399-9.

The first step of tightening to reach a uniform "snug-tight" condition of a fastener assembly shall be when initial deformation of the DTI protrusions begins. This first step shall be completed for all bolts in one connection prior to commencement of the second step.

The second step of tightening shall be as EN 14399-9. The gaps measured on the indicating washer may be averaged to establish the acceptability of the bolt assembly.

#### 8.6 Fit bolts

8.1 to 8.5 apply as appropriate in addition to the requirements below.

The length of the threaded portion of the shank of the fit bolt (including thread run out) included in the bearing length shall not exceed 1/3 of the thickness of the plate (t), unless otherwise specified (see Figure 3).

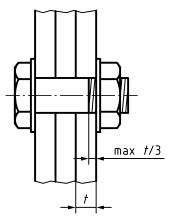


Figure 3 — Threaded portion of the shank in the bearing length for fit bolts

Fit bolts shall be installed without applying excessive force, and in such a way that its thread is not damaged.

# 8.7 Hot riveting

#### **8.7.1 Rivets**

Every rivet shall be of sufficient length to provide a head of uniform dimensions, a complete filling of the hole and to avoid surface indentation by the riveting machine on the outer faces of the plies.

### 8.7.2 Installation of rivets

The connected components shall be drawn together such that they achieve firm contact and held together during riveting.

Maximum eccentricity between common holes for a rivet in an assembly shall be no more than 1 mm. To meet this requirement, reaming is permitted. Following reaming it may be necessary to install a larger diameter of rivet.

For multiple riveted connections, a temporary bolt shall be tightened in at least every fourth hole prior to driving which shall start at the middle of the rivet group. Special measures shall be taken to hold components of single riveted connections together (e.g. clamping).

If practicable, riveting shall be carried out using machines of the steady pressure type. After the upsetting is complete, the driving pressure shall be maintained on the rivets for a short time sufficient for the head to be black when the machine is disengaged.

Every rivet shall be heated uniformly throughout its length, without burning or excessive scaling. It shall be at a consistent bright red heat from the head to point when inserted and shall be upset in its entire length when hot, so as to fill the hole completely. Special care shall be taken in heating and driving long rivets.

Every rivet shall be freed from scale by striking the hot rivet on a hard surface after being heated and before being inserted into the hole.

A burned rivet shall not be used. A heated rivet not used immediately shall not be re-heated for use.

If a flush surface of countersunk rivets is specified protruding rivet metal shall be chipped or ground off.

# 8.7.3 Acceptance criteria

The rivet heads shall be centred. The head eccentricity relative to the shank axis shall not exceed 0,15  $d_0$  where  $d_0$  is the hole diameter.

The rivet heads shall be well formed and shall not show cracks or pits.

The rivets shall be in satisfactory contact with the assembled parts both at the outer surface of the plies and in the hole. No movement or vibration shall be detected when the rivet head is lightly tapped with a hammer.

A small well-formed and centred lip may be accepted if only a small number of rivets in the group are concerned.

The execution specification may specify that the outerfaces of plies shall be free of indentation by the riveting.

If countersunk rivets are specified, the heads shall fill the countersink completely after riveting. If the countersinking is not completely filled, the rivet shall be replaced.

Any rivet not meeting the acceptance criteria shall be removed and replaced by a new one.

# 8.8 Use of special fasteners and fastening methods

Special fasteners shall be used and special fastening methods shall be performed in accordance with the product manufacturer's recommendations, and the appropriate sections of 8.1 to 8.8. This also applies to bolts connecting steelwork to other construction materials including chemically anchored foundation bolts.

NOTE 1 Examples of special fastening methods are specially tapped holes, or threaded studs.

Such methods shall be used only if specified. Any procedure tests required for use of special fasteners and fastening methods in non-preloaded or preloaded applications shall be specified. Different tests from those specified for bolts may be necessary. Procedure testing may be avoided if sufficient information on previous testing is provided.

Specially tapped holes or threaded studs may be used as equivalent to the use of a bolting assembly in 5.6.3 provided that the materials, thread forms and thread tolerance comply with the respective product standard.

Requirements for use of resin injection bolts shall be specified.

NOTE 2 Annex J provides information on the supply and use of resin injection bolts that may be invoked.

# 8.9 Galling and seizure of stainless steels

Galling may result from local adhesion and rupture of surfaces under load and in relative motion during fastening. In some cases, weld bonding and seizure may result.

The following methods may be used to avoid galling problems:

- a) dissimilar standard grades of stainless steel may be used which vary in work hardening rate and hardness (e.g. Grade A2-C4, A4-C4 or A2-A4 bolt-nut combination from EN ISO 3506-1 and EN ISO 3506-2);
- b) in severe cases, a proprietary high work-hardening stainless steel alloy may be used for one component or hard surface coatings applied so that the hardness of the contact surfaces differs by at least 30 HV10, e.g. nitriding or hard chromium plating;

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- c) anti-galling agents such as PTFE dry film spray;
- d) use an anti-galling grade of stainless steel (such as S21800) for one or both of the mating surfaces.

If dissimilar metals or coatings are used, it is necessary to ensure that the required corrosion resistance is obtained.

NOTE The greasing of bolts is beneficial but may result in contamination by dirt and can present problems for storage.

#### 9 Erection

#### 9.1 General

This clause gives requirements for erection and other work undertaken on site including grouting of bases as well as those relevant to the suitability of the site for safe erection and for accurately prepared supports.

Work carried out on site, which includes preparation, welding, mechanical fastening, and surface treatment shall comply with the Clauses 6, 7, 8 and 10 respectively.

Inspection and acceptance of the structure shall be performed in accordance with the requirements specified in Clause 12.

### 9.2 Site conditions

Erection shall not commence until the site for the construction works complies with the technical requirements with respect to the safety of the works, which shall consider such of the following items as are relevant:

- a) provision and maintenance of hard standing for cranes and access equipment;
- b) access routes to the site and within the site;
- c) soil conditions affecting the safe operation of plant;
- d) possible settlement of erection supports for the structure;
- e) details of underground services, overhead cables or site obstructions;
- f) limitations on dimensions or weights of components that can be delivered onto the site;
- g) special environmental and climatic conditions on and around the site;
- h) particulars of adjacent structures affecting or affected by the works.

Access routes to the site and within the site should be given on a site plan showing dimensions and level of access routes, level of the prepared working area for site traffic and plant, and areas available for storage.

If the works are inter-linked with other trades, technical requirements with respect to the safety of the works shall be checked for consistency with those for other parts of the construction works. This check shall consider such of the following items as are relevant:

- i) prearranged procedures for co-operation with other contractors;
- i) availability of site services;

- k) maximum construction and storage loads permitted on the steelwork;
- l) control of concrete placement during composite construction.

NOTE EN 1991–1-6 provides rules for determining construction and storage loads including concrete.

#### 9.3 Erection method

# 9.3.1 Design basis for the erection method

If, in terms of EN 1993-1-1 and EN 1991-1-6, the structural stability in the part-erected condition is not evident, a safe method of erection on which the design was based shall be provided. This design basis method of erection shall consider the following items:

- a) positions and types of site connections;
- b) maximum piece size, weight and location;
- c) sequence of erection;
- d) stability concept for the part-erected structure including any requirements for temporary bracing or propping;
- e) propping or other measures for the execution of phased concreting of composite structures;
- f) conditions for removal of temporary bracing or propping, or any requirement for distressing or stressing the structure;
- g) features which would create a safety hazard during construction;
- h) timing and method for adjustment of foundation connections or bearings and for grouting;
- i) camber and presets required in relation of those provided at manufacturing stage;
- i) use of profiled steel sheeting to ensure stability;
- k) use of profiled steel sheeting to provide lateral restraint;
- l) transportation of units, including attachments for lifting, turning or pulling;
- m) positions and conditions for supporting and jacking;
- n) stability concept for the bearings;
- o) deformations of the partly erected structure;
- p) expected settlements of the supports;
- q) particular positions and loads from cranes, stored components, counter weight etc. for the various construction phases;
- r) instructions for the delivery, storage, lifting, building in and pre-tensioning of stayed cables;
- s) details of all temporary works and attachments to permanent works with instructions as to their removal.

#### 9.3.2 Constructor's erection method

A method statement describing the constructor's erection method shall be prepared and it shall be checked in accordance with design rules, notably against resistance of the partly erected structure to erection loads and other loading.

The erection method statement may deviate from the design basis method of erection, provided that it is a safe alternative.

Amendments to the erection method statement, including those necessitated by site conditions, shall be checked and reviewed in accordance with the above requirement.

The erection method statement shall describe procedures to be used to safely erect the steelwork and shall take into account the technical requirements regarding the safety of the works.

The procedures should link to specific work instructions.

The erection method statement shall address all relevant items in 9.3.1, and shall consider in addition such of the following items as are relevant:

- a) experience from any trial erection undertaken in accordance with 9.6.4;
- b) restraints necessary to ensure stability prior to welding and to control local movement of the joint;
- c) lifting devices necessary;
- d) necessity to mark weights and/or centres of gravity on large or irregularly shaped pieces;
- e) relationship between the weights to be lifted and the radius of operation where cranes are to be used;
- identification of sway or overturning forces, particularly those due to the predicted wind conditions on site during erection, and the exact methods of maintaining adequate sway and overturning resistance;
- g) methods of coping with safety hazards;
- h) provision of safe working positions and safe means of access to them.

In addition, the following apply for composite steel and concrete structures:

- sequence of fixing of profiled steel sheeting for composite slabs shall be planned to ensure that sheets are adequately supported by supporting beams before fixing, and are securely fixed before they are used to gain access to subsequent working positions;
- j) profiled steel sheets should not be used to gain access for welding of shear connectors unless the sheets are secured already by fasteners that comply with i);
- k) sequence of placing and method of securing and sealing permanent formwork to ensure that formwork is secure before being used to gain access for subsequent construction operations and supporting slab reinforcement and deck concrete.

Factors associated with the execution of the concrete works should be considered as relevant, such as sequence of placing concrete, pre-stressing, and temperature difference between steel and freshly placed concrete, jacking and supports.

## 9.4 Survey

#### 9.4.1 Reference system

Unless otherwise specified, site measurements for the works shall be related to the system established for the setting out and measurement of the construction works in accordance with ISO 4463-1.

A documented survey of a secondary net shall be provided and used as the reference system for setting out the steelwork and establishing the deviations of supports. The coordinates of the secondary net given in this survey shall be accepted as true provided that they comply with the acceptance criteria specified in ISO 4463-1.

The reference temperature for setting out and measuring the steelwork shall be specified.

## 9.4.2 Position points

The position points, which mark the intended position for the erection of individual components, shall be in accordance with ISO 4463-1.

## 9.5 Supports, anchors and bearings

## 9.5.1 Inspection of supports

The condition and location of the supports shall be checked using appropriate visual and measurement means before the commencement of erection.

If supports are unsuited to erection, they shall be corrected prior to the commencement of erection. Nonconformities shall be documented.

## 9.5.2 Setting out and suitability of supports

All foundations, foundation bolts and other supports for the steelwork shall be suitably prepared to receive the steel structure. Installation of structural bearings shall comply with the requirements of EN 1337-11.

Erection shall not commence until the location and levels of the supports, anchors or bearings comply with the acceptance criteria in 11.2, or an appropriate amendment to the specified requirements has been issued.

The compliance survey used to check the positions of the supports shall be documented.

If foundation bolts are to be pre-stressed, arrangements shall be made that the bolt has no adhesion to the concrete over its full length.

Foundation bolts intended to move in sleeves should be provided with sleeves three times the diameter of the bolt with a minimum of 75 mm.

## 9.5.3 Maintaining suitability of supports

Whilst erection is proceeding, the supports for the steelwork shall be maintained in an equivalent condition to their condition at the commencement of erection.

Areas of supports that require protection against rust staining should be identified and appropriate protection provided.

Compensation for settlement of supports is acceptable, unless otherwise specified. This shall be done by grouting or packing between steelwork and support.

NOTE The compensation will generally be placed beneath the bearing.

## 9.5.4 Temporary supports

Shims and other supporting devices used as temporary supports under base plates shall present a flat surface to the steel and be of adequate size, strength and rigidity to avoid local crushing of the substructure concrete or masonry.

If packings are subsequently to be grouted, they shall be placed so that the grout totally encloses them with a minimum cover of 25 mm, unless otherwise specified.

For bridges, packings shall not be left in position, unless otherwise specified.

If packings are left in position after grouting, they shall be made from materials with the same durability as the structure.

If adjustment to the position of the base is achieved using levelling nuts on the foundation bolts under the base plate these may be left in position, unless otherwise specified. The nuts shall be selected to ensure that they are suitable to maintain the stability of the part-erected structure but not to jeopardize the performance of the foundation bolt in service.

NOTE As well as shims and blocks, half-nuts or plastic nuts are often used as levelling nuts.

#### 9.5.5 Grouting and sealing

If spaces under base plates are to be grouted, fresh material shall be used in accordance with 5.9.

Grouting material shall be used as follows:

- a) the material shall be mixed and used in accordance with product manufacturer's recommendations notably regarding its consistency when used. Material shall not be mixed or used below 0 °C, unless the manufacturer's recommendations permit it;
- b) the material shall be poured under a suitable head so that the space is completely filled;
- c) tamping and ramming against properly fixed supports shall be used if specified and/or recommended by the grout manufacturer;
- d) vent holes shall be provided as necessary.

Immediately before grouting, the space under the steel base plate shall be free from liquids, ice, debris and contaminants.

Pocket bases containing columns shall be filled with dense concrete having a characteristic compressive strength not less than that of the surrounding concrete.

In pocket bases, the embedded length of the column shall be initially surrounded with concrete to a sufficient length to provide stability in the temporary state and then remain undisturbed for a period sufficient to gain at least half of its characteristic compressive strength, before removal of any temporary props and wedges.

If treatment of steelwork, bearings and concrete surfaces is required before grouting, it shall be specified.

Care shall be taken that the external profile of grouting allows water to be drained away from structural steel components.

If there is a danger of water or corrosive liquid becoming entrapped during service, the grout around base plates shall not be surcharged such that it rises above the lowest surface of the base plate.

If no grouting is needed, and the edges of the base plate are to be sealed, the method shall be specified.

The concrete and the grouting shall be carried out according to 5.9 and EN 13670.

## 9.5.6 Anchoring

Anchoring devices in concrete parts of the structure or adjacent structures shall be set in accordance with their specification.

Suitable measures shall be taken to avoid damage to concrete in order to achieve the necessary anchoring resistance.

#### 9.6 Erection and work at site

## 9.6.1 Erection drawings

Erection drawings or equivalent instructions shall be provided and form a part of the erection method statement.

Drawings shall be prepared showing plans and elevations and at such a scale that the erection marks for all components can be shown on them.

Drawings shall show grid locations, bearing positions and assembly of components together with requirements for tolerances.

Foundation plans shall show the base location and orientation of the steelwork, any other components in direct contact with the foundations, their base location and level, the intended bearing level and the datum level. Foundations shall include column base support and other structural supports.

Elevations shall show required levels for floors and/or structure.

Drawings shall show necessary details for fixing of steel or bolts to the foundations, the method of adjustment by packing and wedging and grout requirements as well as fixing of steelwork and bearings to their supports.

Drawings shall show details and arrangements of any steelwork or other temporary works necessary for erection purposes to ensure the stability of the construction or the safety of personnel.

Drawings shall state the weight of all components or assemblies over 5 tonnes and the centre of gravity of all large irregular pieces.

#### 9.6.2 Marking

Components that are individually assembled or erected at the site shall be allocated an erection mark.

A component shall be marked with its erected orientation if this is not clear from its shape.

Marking methods shall comply with 6.2.

## 9.6.3 Handling and storage on site

Handling and storage on site shall comply with the requirements of 6.3 and those given below.

Components shall be handled and stacked in such a way that the likelihood of damage is minimized. Particular attention shall be paid to slinging methods to avoid damage to the steelwork and protective treatment.

Steelwork damaged during off-loading, transportation, storage or erection shall be restored to conformity.

The procedure for restoration shall be defined before undertaking the repair. For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4 the procedure shall also be documented.

Fasteners stored on site shall be kept in dry conditions prior to use and shall be suitably packed and identifiable. The fasteners shall be handled and used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

All small plates and other fittings shall be suitably packed and identified.

#### 9.6.4 Trial erection

Any site trial erection shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of 6.10.

Trial erection should be considered:

- a) to confirm fit between components;
- b) to prove methodology if the erection sequence to maintain stability during erection needs evaluating in advance;
- c) to prove duration of operations if site conditions are restricted by limited possession time.

## 9.6.5 Erection methods

#### 9.6.5.1 General

The erection of the steelwork shall be carried out in conformity with the erection method statement and in such a way as to ensure stability at all times.

Foundation bolts shall not be used to secure unguyed columns against overturning unless they have been checked for this mode of use.

Throughout the erection of the structure, the steelwork shall be made safe against temporary erection loads, including those due to erection equipment or its operation and against the effects of wind loads on the unfinished structure.

As a guide for buildings, at least one third of the permanent bolts in each connection should be installed before that connection can be considered to contribute to stability of the part completed structure.

## 9.6.5.2 Temporary works

All temporary bracing and temporary restraints shall be left in position until erection is sufficiently advanced to allow its safe removal.

If it is required that bracings in tall buildings are to be de-stressed as erection progresses, to release the forces induced in them by vertical loads, this shall be carried out progressively one panel at a time. During such de-stressing sufficient alternative bracing shall be in place to ensure stability. If necessary, additional bracing shall be added temporarily for this purpose.

All connections for temporary components provided for erection purposes shall be made in accordance with the requirements of this European Standard and in such a way that they do not weaken the permanent structure or impair its serviceability.

If backing bars and draw cleats are used to support the structure during welding, it shall be ensured that they are sufficiently strong and that their retaining welds are appropriate for the erection load conditions.

If the erection procedure involves rolling or otherwise moving the structure, or part of the structure, into its final position after assembly, provision shall be made for controlled braking of the moving mass. Provision for reversing the direction of movement may need to be considered.

All temporary anchoring devices shall be made secure against unintentional release.

Only jacks that can be locked in any position under load shall be used unless other safety provisions are made.

## 9.6.5.3 Fit-up and alignment

Care shall be taken that no part of the structure is permanently distorted or over-stressed by stacking of steelwork components or by erection loads during the erection process.

Each part of the structure shall be aligned as soon as practicable after it has been erected and final assembly completed as soon as possible thereafter.

Permanent connections shall not be made between components until sufficient of the structure has been aligned, levelled, plumbed and temporarily connected to ensure that components will not be displaced during subsequent erection or alignment of the remainder of the structure.

Alignment of the structure and lack of fit in connections may be adjusted by the use of shims. Shims shall be secured where they are in danger of coming loose.

Shims shall be made of flat steel, unless otherwise specified. Shims shall have similar durability to that of the structure. For stainless steel structures, they shall be made of stainless steel and have a minimum thickness of 2 mm if used externally.

If shims are used to align structures composed of coated material, the shims shall be protected in a similar manner to provide the specified durability unless the shims are required to meet a specified friction classification.

Residual gaps for non-preloaded bolts and preloaded bolts before preloading shall be in accordance with 8.3 and 8.5.1 respectively.

If lack-of-fit between erected components cannot be corrected by the use of shims, components of the structure shall be locally modified in accordance with the methods specified in this European Standard. The modifications shall not compromise the performance of the structure in the temporary or permanent state. This work may be executed on site. Care shall be taken with structures built of welded latticed components and space structures to ensure that they are not subjected to excessive forces in an attempt to force a fit against their inherent rigidity.

Unless otherwise specified, drifts may be used to align connections. Elongation of holes for bolts used for transmission of loads shall not be more than the values given in 6.9.

In case of misalignment of holes for bolts, the method of correction shall be checked for consistency with the requirements of Clause 12.

Realigned holes may be proven to comply with the oversize or slotted hole requirements specified in 6.6 provided the load path has been checked.

Correction of misalignment by reaming or using a hollow milling cutter is preferred, but if the use of other cutting methods is unavoidable, the internal finish of all holes formed by these other methods shall be specifically checked for consistency with the requirements of Clause 6.

Completed site connections shall be checked in accordance with 12.5.

#### 10 Surface treatment

## 10.1 General

This clause specifies requirements for making steel surfaces with imperfections, including welded and fabricated surfaces, suitable for the application of paints and related products, or metal coating by thermal spraying or hot dip galvanizing. The requirements to take account of the particular coating system to be applied shall be specified.

The detailed requirements for corrosion protection systems, which are specified in the following references and in Annex F, shall be applied as relevant:

a) surfaces to which paint or related products are to be applied: EN ISO 12944 series and Annex F;

- b) surfaces to be metal coated by thermal spraying: EN ISO 12679, EN ISO 12670 and Annex F;
- c) surfaces to be metal coated by hot dip galvanizing: EN ISO 1461, EN ISO 14713-1, EN ISO 14713-2 and Annex F.

For mechanical resistance and stability reasons there is no need for corrosion protection if the structure is to be used for a short service lifetime, or in an environment with negligible corrosivity (e.g. category C1 or painting for aesthetic purposes only), or has been dimensioned to allow for corrosion.

NOTE 1 In general, a year may be considered as a short service lifetime.

If both a fire protection and corrosion protection systems are specified, they shall be proven to be compatible.

NOTE 2 Fire protection is not generally considered to be a part of the corrosion protection.

## 10.2 Preparation of steel substrates for paints and related products

These requirements do not apply to stainless steels, or to products subject to hot dip galvanizing or metal spraying. If there are requirements for surface cleanliness of stainless steels, they shall be specified.

Substrates (i.e. surfaces, welds and edges of steel components) to which paints and related products are to be applied shall be prepared using the methods described in the EN ISO 8504 series.

In terms of cleanliness, roughness and preparation grade, substrates shall be prepared to meet the criteria appropriate to the products that are to be applied. If the expected life of the corrosion protection and corrosivity category are specified, the preparation grade according to EN ISO 8501-3 shall be in accordance with Table 22. If the expected life of the corrosion protection and corrosivity category are not specified, P1 shall apply, unless otherwise specified.

| Expected life of the corrosion protection <sup>a</sup> | Corrosivity category <sup>a</sup> | Preparation grade     |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | C1                                | P1                    |
| > 15 years   | C2 to C3                          | P2                    |
|  | Above C3                          | P2 or P3 as specified |
| Fundado to 15 magas                                    | C1 to C3                          | P1                    |
| 5 years to 15 years                                    | Above C3                          | P2                    |
|  | C1 to C4                          | P1                    |
| < 5 years  | C5 – Im                           | P2                    |

Table 22 — Preparation grade

Thermally cut surfaces, edges and welds shall be suitably smooth and able to achieve the specified roughness after subsequent surface preparation (see Annex F).

Thermally cut surfaces are sometimes too hard for the abrasive material to achieve the suitable surface roughness. The procedure test specified in 6.4.4 may be used to establish surface hardness and determine whether grinding is necessary.

EN ISO 12944 series.

#### 10.3 Weather resistant steels

If it is necessary to ensure that the surface of uncoated weather resistant steels is acceptable visually after weathering, the execution specification shall specify appropriate procedures including, as appropriate, those necessary to prevent contamination (e.g. from oil, grease, paint, concrete or asphalt).

NOTE As an example, exposed areas may need to be blast cleaned to ensure uniform weathering.

The treatment necessary for surfaces of non-weather resistant steels, if these are in contact with uncoated weather resistant steels, shall be specified.

#### **10.4 Galvanic coupling**

Unintended contact between different metallic constituent products, e.g. stainless steels to aluminium, or structural steel shall be avoided. If stainless steel is to be welded to structural steel, corrosion protection for the steel structure shall continue from the weld on to the stainless steel by 20 mm as a minimum (see also 6.3, 6.9 and 7.7).

## 10.5 Hot dip galvanizing

Guidelines and recommendations on the design, storage and transport of components to be hot dip galvanized are given in EN ISO 14713-2. In particular:

- a) if pickling is to be used prior to hot dip galvanizing, all weld gaps should be sealed prior to pickling to prevent the ingress of acid, unless this conflicts with considerations set out in 10.6 below;
- b) if the fabricated component contains enclosed spaces, vent and drain holes shall be provided.

Enclosed spaces shall generally be hot dip galvanized internally and, if not, it shall be specified whether these enclosed spaces shall be sealed after hot dip galvanizing and, if so, with what.

Residues from previous processes (e.g. paint, oil, grease, welding slag) shall be removed. Unless otherwise specified, blasting prior to hot dip galvanizing is not required. If blasting is required, the EN ISO 8503 series may be used to assess the surface roughness in specific terms.

## **10.6 Sealing of spaces**

If enclosed spaces are to be sealed by welding or provided with internal protective treatment, the internal treatment system shall be specified.

If spaces are to be fully enclosed by welds, it shall be specified if weld imperfections permitted under the execution specification require sealing by application of suitable filler material to prevent the ingress of moisture. If welds are for sealing purposes only, those welds shall be visually inspected. If required, further inspection shall be specified.

NOTE Attention is drawn that imperfections in welds, which are not detectable by visual inspection, can allow water to penetrate the sealed space.

If closed sections are to be hot dip galvanized, they shall not be sealed before hot dip galvanizing. In the case of overlapping surfaces with continuous welds, adequate venting shall be provided, unless the area of overlap is so small that the risk of explosive egress of entrapped gases during the hot dip galvanizing operation is assessed as not significant.

If mechanical fasteners penetrate the wall of sealed enclosed spaces, the method to be used for sealing the interface shall be specified.

#### 10.7 Surfaces in contact with concrete

Surfaces that are to be in contact with concrete including the undersides of baseplates shall be coated with the protective treatment applied to the steelwork, excluding any cosmetic finishing coat, for a minimum of the first 50 mm of the embedded length, unless otherwise specified, and the remaining surfaces need not be coated unless specified. If uncoated, such surfaces shall be blast cleaned or wirebrushed to remove loose mill scale and cleaned to remove dust, oil and grease. Immediately before concreting, any loose rust, dust and other loose debris shall be removed by cleaning.

#### 10.8 Inaccessible surfaces

Areas and surfaces that are difficult to access after assembly should be treated before assembly.

In slip resistant connections, faying surfaces shall meet the requirements necessary to develop the friction for the specified surface treatment (see 8.4). Other connections shall not be made with excess paint on the faying surfaces. As a maximum, faying surfaces and surfaces beneath washers shall be treated with a primer and undercoat, unless otherwise specified (see F.4).

Unless otherwise specified, bolted connections including the perimeter around such connections shall be treated with the full corrosion protection system specified for the remainder of the steelwork.

## 10.9 Repairs after cutting or welding

It shall be specified if repair, or additional protective treatment, is required to cut edges and adjacent surfaces after cutting.

If precoated constituent products are to be welded, the methods and extent of repair necessary to the coating shall be specified.

If hot dip galvanizing to surfaces has been removed or damaged by welding, the surfaces shall be cleaned, prepared and treated with a zinc rich primer and paint system offering a similar level of corrosion protection as the hot dip galvanizing for the given corrosivity category (see EN ISO 1461 for additional guidance).

## 10.10 Cleaning of stainless steel components after erection

Cleaning procedures shall be appropriate for the grade of constituent product, surface finish, function of the component and corrosion risk. The method, level and extent of cleaning shall be specified.

Strong acid solutions sometimes used to clean the masonry and tiling of buildings shall not be permitted to come into contact with structural steel, including stainless steel. If such contamination does happen, acid solutions shall be washed off immediately with large amounts of clean water.

## 11 Geometrical tolerances

## 11.1 Tolerance types

This clause defines the types of geometrical deviations relevant to both functional and structurally essential criteria and gives quantitative values for two types of permitted deviations:

- a) those applicable for a range of criteria that are essential for the mechanical resistance and stability of the completed structure, called essential tolerances;
- b) those required to fulfil other criteria such as fit-up and appearance, called functional tolerances.

Essential tolerances and functional tolerances are both normative.

The permitted deviations given do not include elastic deformations induced by the self-weight of the components.

In addition, special tolerances may be specified either for geometrical deviations already defined with quantitative values or for other types of geometrical deviations. If special tolerances are required, the following information shall be given as appropriate:

- c) amended values for functional tolerances already defined;
- d) defined parameters and permitted values for the geometrical deviations to be controlled;
- e) whether these special tolerances apply to all relevant components or only to particular components that are specified.

In each case, the requirements are for final acceptance testing. If fabricated components are to form parts of a structure that is to be erected on site, the tolerances specified for the final checking of the erected structure shall be met in addition to those for the fabricated components.

#### 11.2 Essential tolerances

#### **11.2.1** General

Essential tolerances shall be in accordance with Annex B. The values specified are permitted deviations. If the actual deviation exceeds the permitted value, the measured value shall be dealt with as a nonconformity according to Clause 12.

NOTE EN ISO 5817 also includes geometrical tolerances that apply to the fit-up of weldments.

In some cases, there is a possibility that the uncorrected deviation of an essential tolerance can be justified in accordance with the structural design when the excess deviation is included explicitly in a recalculation. If not, the nonconformity shall be corrected.

#### 11.2.2 Manufacturing tolerances

#### 11.2.2.1 Rolled sections

Hot rolled, hot finished or cold formed structural products shall conform to the permitted deviations specified by the relevant product standard. These permitted deviations continue to apply to components manufactured from such products, unless superseded by more stringent criteria specified in B.1.

#### 11.2.2.2 Welded sections

Welded components manufactured from plates shall conform to the permitted deviations in Table B.1 and Tables B.3 to B.6.

#### 11.2.2.3 Cold formed sections

Components cold formed by pressing shall conform to the permitted deviations in Table B.2. For components fabricated from rolled cold formed sections, see 11.2.2.1.

As examples, cross-sectional tolerances for welded sections manufactured from split rolled sections would be in accordance with the relevant product standard except for overall depth and web geometry which should be in accordance with Table B.1; and cross sectional tolerances from EN 10162 [14] apply to cold rolled sections whereas Table B.2 applies to sections formed by pressing.

#### 11.2.2.4 Stiffened plating

Stiffened plating shall conform to the permitted deviations in Table B.7.

#### 11.2.2.5 Shells

Shell structures shall conform to the permitted deviations in Table B.11, in which the choice of the appropriate class shall be based on EN 1993-1-6.

#### 11.2.3 Erection tolerances

#### 11.2.3.1 Reference system

Deviations of erected components shall be measured relative to their position points (see the ISO 4463 series). If a position point is not established, deviations shall be measured relative to the secondary system.

NOTE ISO 4463-1 refers to the establishment and application of reference systems as follows:

- 1) The primary system, which normally covers the whole site;
- 2) The secondary system, which serves as the main reference system or grid for the erection of a particular building;
- 3) Position points, which mark the location of individual elements, for instance columns.

#### 11.2.3.2 Foundation bolts and other supports

The position of the centre points of a group of foundation bolts or other support shall not deviate by more than  $\pm$  6 mm from its specified position relative to the secondary system.

A best-fit position should be chosen to assess a group of adjustable foundation bolts.

#### 11.2.3.3 Column bases

Holes in baseplates and other plates used for fixing to supports should be dimensioned to allow clearances to match the permitted deviations for the supports to those for the steelwork. This may require the use of large washers between the nuts on the holding down bolts and the top of the baseplate.

#### 11.2.3.4 Columns

The deviations of erected columns shall conform to the permitted deviations in Tables B.15, B.17 and B.18.

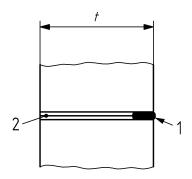
For groups of adjacent columns (other than those in portal frames or supporting a crane gantry) carrying similar vertical loads, the permitted deviations shall be as follows:

- a) the arithmetic average deviation in plan for the inclination of six tied adjacent columns shall conform to the permitted deviations in Table B.15;
- b) the permitted deviations for the inclination of an individual column within this group, between adjacent storey levels may then be relaxed to  $\Delta = \pm h / 100$ .

#### 11.2.3.5 Full contact bearing

Where full contact bearing is specified, the fit-up between surfaces of erected components shall be in accordance with Table B.19 after alignment.

For bolted splices, shims may be used where the gap exceeds the specified limits after initial bolting-up, to reduce the gaps to within the permitted deviation, unless otherwise specified in the execution specification. The shims may be made of flats according to EN 10025-2 with a maximum thickness of 3 mm. No more than three shims shall be used at any point. If necessary, the shims may be held in place by means of either fillet welds or a partial penetration butt weld extending over the shims, as shown in Figure 4.



#### Key

- 1 partial penetration butt weld or fillet weld
- 2 shims

Figure 4 — Option for securing shims used for bolted splice in full contact bearing

#### 11.3 Functional tolerances

#### **11.3.1** General

Functional tolerances in terms of accepted geometrical deviations shall be in accordance with one of the following two options:

- a) the tabulated values described in 11.3.2; or
- b) the alternative criteria defined in 11.3.3.

If no option is specified the tabulated values shall apply.

#### 11.3.2 Tabulated values

Tabulated values for functional tolerances are given in Annex B. Generally, values for two classes are shown. The choice of tolerance class may be applied to individual components or selected parts of an erected structure.

NOTE If tolerance class 2 from Annex B is specified, the structure will be more difficult to assemble on site, however the decision to invoke tolerance class 2 for part of a structure may be necessary if a glazed facade was to be fitted, for example, in order to reduce the amount of clearance and adjustability required at the interface.

If the choice of class is not specified, tolerance class 1 applies.

In applying Table B.23, the protruding length of a vertical foundation bolt (in its best-fit position if adjustable) should be vertical to within 1 mm in 20 mm. A similar requirement would apply to the line of bolts set horizontally or at other angles.

#### 11.3.3 Alternative criteria

If specified the following alternative criteria may be applied:

- a) for welded structures, the following classes according to EN ISO 13920 apply:
  - 1) class C for length and angular dimensions;
  - 2) class G for straightness, flatness and parallelism.
- b) for non-welded components the same criteria as in (a);

c) in cases outside of the scope of EN ISO 13920, for a dimension d, a permitted deviation  $\pm \Delta$  equal to the greater of d/500 or 5 mm is allowed.

## 12 Inspection, testing and correction

#### 12.1 General

This clause specifies the requirements for inspection and testing with respect to the quality requirements included in quality documentation (see 4.2.1) or quality plan (see 4.2.2) as relevant.

Inspection, testing and corrections shall be undertaken on the works against the specification and within the quality requirements set out in this European Standard.

All inspection and testing shall be undertaken to a predetermined plan with documented procedures.

## 12.2 Constituent products and components

## 12.2.1 Constituent products

Documents supplied with constituent products in accordance with the requirements of Clause 5 shall be checked to verify that the information on the products supplied matches those ordered.

NOTE 1 These documents include inspection certificates, test reports, declaration of compliance as relevant for plates, sections, hollow sections, welding consumables, mechanical fasteners, studs etc.

NOTE 2 This documentation check is intended to obviate the need for testing products generally.

The inspection of the surface of product for defects revealed during surface preparation shall be included in the inspection and test plans.

If surface defects in steel products revealed during surface preparation are repaired using methods that are in accordance with this European Standard, the repaired product may be used provided that it complies with the nominal properties specified for the original product.

There are no requirements for specific testing of products unless otherwise specified.

#### 12.2.2 Components

Documents supplied with components shall be checked to verify that the information on the components supplied matches those ordered.

NOTE This applies to all delivered and part-fabricated products received into a constructor's works for further processing (e.g. welded I-sections for incorporation into plate girders), and to products received on site for erection by the constructor if these are not manufactured by the constructor.

## 12.2.3 Non-conforming products

If the documentation supplied does not include a declaration from the supplier that the products conform to the specifications, they shall be treated as non-conforming products until it can be demonstrated that they meet the requirements of the inspection and test plan.

If products are first designated as nonconforming and are subsequently proved to be in conformity by test or retest, the test results shall be recorded.

#### 12.3 Manufacturing: geometrical dimensions of manufactured components

The inspection and test plan shall consider the requirements and the checks necessary on prepared constituent steel products and manufactured components.

Dimensional measurements of components shall always be taken.

NOTE Methods and instruments used may be selected, as appropriate, from those listed in ISO 7976-1 [15] and ISO 7976-2 [16]. Accuracy may be assessed in accordance with the relevant part of ISO 17123 [17].

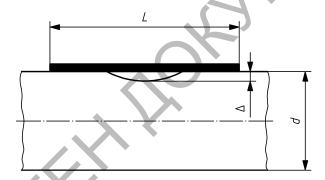
The location and frequency of measurements shall be specified in the inspection and test plan.

The acceptance criteria shall be in accordance with 11.2. The deviations shall be measured with respect to any specified camber or preset.

If acceptance inspection results in the identification of nonconformity, the action on such nonconformity shall be as follows:

- a) if practicable, the nonconformity shall be corrected using methods that are in accordance with this European Standard and checked again;
- b) if correction is not practicable, modifications to the steel structure may be made to compensate for the nonconformity provided that this is in accordance with a procedure for handling nonconformities;
- c) otherwise the component shall not be used.

Damage resulting in local dents in the surface of hollow sections shall be assessed. The method shown in Figure 5 may be used.



#### Key

- d characteristic cross-sectional dimension of section
- *L* straight edge of length  $L \ge 2d$
- $\Delta$  gap  $\Delta$  ≤ the larger of d/100 or 2 mm

Figure 5 — Method of assessment for surface profile and permitted deviation of a dented component

If the gap exceeds the permitted deviation, repairs may be executed by means of fully welding on local cover plates of the same thickness as the original constituent product unless otherwise specified.

NOTE Such repairs are not uncommon, because many hollow sections have relatively thin walls.

This procedure should be used in preference to any hot-shaping procedure in accordance with 6.5.

If trial assembly to 6.10 is used the inspection requirements shall be included in the inspection and test plan.

## 12.4 Welding

#### **12.4.1** General

Inspection and testing before, during and after welding shall be included in the inspection and test plan according to the requirements given in the relevant part of the EN ISO 3834 series.

The inspection and test plan shall include type testing (see 12.4.2.2), routine inspection (see 12.4.2.3) and project specific inspection (see 12.4.2.4). The inspection and test plan shall identify joints for specific inspection of the fit-up that are likely to present difficulties in achieving the specified fit-up.

The following locations shall be given particular attention:

- a) for bridge decks: joints shown in Table B.21;
- b) for circular sections: the mid-toe, mid-heel and two mid-flank positions;
- c) for square or rectangular sections: the four corner positions.

Non-destructive testing (NDT) methods shall be selected in accordance with EN ISO 17635 as the basis for the inspection and test plan required by the welding plan.

NDT, with the exception of visual inspection, shall be performed by personnel qualified according to EN ISO 9712.

#### 12.4.2 Inspection after welding

## 12.4.2.1 Timing

The supplementary NDT of a weld shall generally not be completed until after the minimum hold time after welding shown in Table 23.

| W.11 : 6 . 22               | Hold time (I        | nours) <sup>b</sup> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Weld size (mm) <sup>a</sup> | S275 - S690         | Above S690          |
| a or s ≤ 20                 | Cooling period only | 24                  |
| a or s > 20                 | 24                  | 48                  |

Table 23 — Minimum hold times

For welds requiring preheat, these periods may be reduced if the weldment is post-heated for a period after welding is complete in accordance with EN 1011-2:2001, Annex C.

If a weld will become inaccessible through subsequent work, it shall be inspected prior to subsequent work being carried out.

Any weld located in a zone where unacceptable distortion has been corrected shall be inspected again.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Size applies to the nominal throat a of a fillet weld or the nominal material thickness s of a full penetration weld. For individual partial penetration butt welds the governing criterion is the nominal weld depth a, but for pairs of partial penetration butt welds welded simultaneously it is the sum of the nominal weld throats a.

b The time between weld completion and commencement of NDT shall be stated in the NDT report. In the case of "cooling period only" this will last until the weld is cool enough for NDT to commence.

## 12.4.2.2 Type testing of new welding procedure specifications

For the first five joints made to a new WPS prepared in accordance with the appropriate part of the EN ISO 15609 series the following requirements shall be fulfilled:

- a) the quality level B is required for demonstration of the WPS in production conditions;
- b) the minimum length to be inspected is 900 mm.

If inspection gives non-conforming results, investigation shall be carried out in order to find the reason. The guidance in EN ISO 17635:2010, Annex C should be followed.

NOTE The purpose of the inspection described above is to establish that with a WPS can be produced conforming quality when implemented in production. For development and use of a WPS, see flow diagram in Annex K.

## 12.4.2.3 Routine inspection and testing

All welds shall be visually inspected throughout their entire length. If surface breaking defects are detected, surface testing by penetrant testing or magnetic particle inspection shall be carried out on the inspected weld.

For EXC1, EXC2 and EXC3 welds, the extent of supplementary NDT is as specified in Table 24.

For EXC4 welds, the scope of supplementary NDT shall be specified with respect to each identified weld.

The extent of NDT covers both testing of surface or internal imperfections if applicable.

The methods to be used for supplementary NDT shall be selected by the appropriate welding coordination personnel from those given in 12.4.2.6.

Once it has been established that production welding according to a WPS meets the quality requirements according to 12.4.2.3, the required extent of supplementary NDT shall be in accordance with Table 24 with further joints welded according to the same WPS treated as a single continuing inspection lot. The percentages apply to the extent of supplementary NDT treated as the cumulative amount within each inspection lot.

The percentage extent of testing (p %) according to Table 24 is defined as a part of an inspection lot according to the following rules, unless otherwise specified:

- a) each weld in the inspection lot shall be tested over a length of minimum p % of the individual length. The area to be tested shall be selected at random;
- b) if the total length of all the welds in an inspection lot is less than 900 mm, at least one weld shall be tested in its entire length regardless of the p%;
- c) if an inspection lot consists of several identical welds with individual length less than 900mm, randomly selected welds with a minimum total length of p % of the total length of all welds in the inspection lot shall be tested in their entire length.

The joints for routine inspection according to Table 24 shall be selected to ensure that sampling covers the following variables as widely as possible: the joint type, the constituent product grade, the welding equipment and the work of the welders. The extent of inspection in Table 24 is related to production welds over a rolling annual basis.

If routine testing of production welds in a given workshop on an annual basis demonstrates consistently acceptable quality for welds of a specific type (i.e. joint type, constituent product grade and welding equipment) the extent of routine supplementary NDT in that workshop may be reduced below

the percentages given in Table 24 at the discretion of the appropriate welding coordination personnel, provided that a three monthly programme of production audit testing is implemented and documented.

Table 24 —Extent of routine supplementary NDT

| Type of wold   | Shop and site welds |      |       |
|--|---------------------|------|-------|
| Type of weld   | EXC1                | EXC2 | EXC3a |
| Transverse butt welds and partial penetration welds in butt joints:  | 0 %ь                | 10 % | 20 %  |
| Transverse butt welds and partial penetration welds:   |                     |      |       |
| — in cruciform joints  | 0 %b                | 10 % | 20 %  |
| — in T joints  | 0 %                 | 5 %  | 10 %  |
| Transverse fillet welds <sup>c</sup> :   |                     |      |       |
| with $a > 12$ mm or $t > 30$ mm  | 0 %                 | 5 %  | 10 %  |
| with $a \le 12$ mm and $t \le 30$ mm   | 0 %                 | 0 %  | 5 %   |
| Full penetration longitudinal welds <sup>d</sup> between web and top flange of crane girders   | 0 %                 | 10 % | 20 %  |
| Other longitudinal welds <sup>d</sup> , welds to stiffeners and welds specified in the execution specification as being in compression | 0 %                 | 0 %  | 5 %   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> For EXC4 the percentage extent shall be at least that given for EXC3.

The execution specification may identify specific joints for inspection together with the extent and method of testing (see 12.4.2.4). This testing may be counted within the extent of routine testing as appropriate.

If inspection gives non-conforming results, investigation shall be carried out in order to find the reason. The guidance in EN ISO 17635:2010, Annex C should be followed.

## 12.4.2.4 Project specific inspection and testing

For EXC1, EXC2 and EXC3, the execution specification may identify requirements for production testing and specific joints for inspection together with the extent of testing.

For EXC4 execution specification shall identify specific joints for inspection together with the extent of testing, which shall be that specified for EXC3 as a minimum.

If the execution specification is used to identify specific joints for inspection then weld inspection classes (WIC) may be used to define the scope and percentage extent of supplementary testing and the test methods to be used according to the criticality of the weld, according to Annex L. The total extent of testing shall meet at least the minimum requirements for routine testing for the relevant EXC according to 12.4.2.3.

b 10 % for such welds executed in steel  $\geq$  S420.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Terms *a* and *t* refer respectively to the throat thickness and the thickest material being joined.

d Longitudinal welds are those made parallel to the component axis. All others are considered as transverse welds.

## 12.4.2.5 Visual inspection of welds

The visual inspection shall be performed after completion of welding in an area and before any other NDT inspection is carried out.

Visual inspection shall include:

- a) the presence and location of all welds;
- b) inspection of the welds in accordance with EN ISO 17637;
- c) stray arcs and areas of weld spatter.

The inspection of the shape and surface of welds of welded branch joints using hollow sections shall pay careful attention to the following locations:

- d) for circular sections: the mid-toe, mid-heel and two mid-flank positions;
- e) for square or rectangular sections: the four corner positions.

#### 12.4.2.6 Supplementary NDT methods

The following NDT methods shall be carried out in accordance with the general principles given in EN ISO 17635 and with the requirements of the standard particular to each method:

- a) penetrant testing (PT) according to EN ISO 3452-1;
- b) magnetic particle inspection (MT) according to EN ISO 17638;
- c) ultrasonic testing (UT) according to EN ISO 17640 and EN ISO 23279;
- d) radiographic testing (RT) according to the EN ISO 17636 series.

The field of application of NDT methods is specified in their relevant standards.

#### 12.4.2.7 Correction of welds

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, repairs by welding shall be carried out in accordance with the procedures required for production welding.

Corrected welds shall be checked and shall meet the requirements of the original welds.

#### 12.4.3 Inspection and testing of welded shear studs for composite steel and concrete structures

Inspection and testing of welded shear studs for composite steel and concrete structures shall be carried out according to EN ISO 14555.

All studs shall be visually inspected after welding.

A percentage of studs shall be subject to a bending test according to EN ISO 14555.

#### 12.4.4 Production tests on welding

If specified, for EXC3 and EXC4, production tests shall be carried out as follows:

 each welding procedure qualification used for welding steel grades higher than S460 shall be checked with a production weld. Testing includes visual examination, penetrant testing or magnetic particle inspection, ultrasonic testing or radiographic testing (for butt welds), hardness testing and macroscopic examination. The tests and results shall be in accordance with the relevant standard for welding procedure test;

- b) if the deep penetration of a welding process is used for fillet welds, the penetration of the welds shall be checked. The results of the actual penetration shall be documented;
- c) for bridge deck orthotropic steel plates:
  - 1) stiffener to deckplate connections welded by fully mechanized welding process shall be checked with a production test as given in 2) below, with a minimum of one production test for a bridge, and inspected by macro-examination. Macro section tests shall be prepared at start or stop and at the middle of the weld;
  - 2) for welds connecting deck plates to deck stiffeners a minimum of three locations for a deck surface up to a steel deck area of 1000 m<sup>2</sup> with an additional two test locations for every additional 1000 m<sup>2</sup> or part thereof up to 5000 m<sup>2</sup> total area. One test location for every additional 1000 m<sup>2</sup> (or part thereof) above 5000 m<sup>2</sup>;
  - 3) stiffener-to-stiffener connections with splice plates shall be checked with a production test.

## 12.4.5 Inspection and testing of welding of reinforcing steel

Inspection and testing of welding of reinforcing steel for composite steel and concrete structures shall be carried out according to EN ISO 17660-1 or EN ISO 17660-2.

## 12.5 Mechanical fastening

## 12.5.1 Inspection of non-preloaded bolted connections

All connections with non-preloaded mechanical fasteners shall be visually checked after they are bolted up with the structure aligned locally.

Connections identified during snagging that do not have a full complement of bolts shall be checked for fit up after the missing bolts have been installed.

Acceptance criteria and action to correct nonconformity shall be in accordance with 8.3 and 9.6.5.3.

If the nonconformity is due to differing ply thickness that exceeds the criteria specified in 8.1, the connection shall be remade. Otherwise, nonconformity may be corrected, if possible, by adjusting the local alignment of the component.

Corrected connections shall be checked again on re-completion.

If an insulation system is required at junctions between stainless steel and other metals, the requirements for checking the installation shall also be specified.

## 12.5.2 Inspection and testing of preloaded bolted connections

## 12.5.2.1 Inspection of friction surfaces

If the connections incorporate friction surfaces, the surfaces shall be visually checked immediately before assembly. Acceptance criteria shall be in accordance with 8.4. Nonconformities shall be corrected in accordance with 8.4.

If preloaded bolts are used for stainless steel connections, the requirements for inspection and testing shall be specified.

#### 12.5.2.2 Inspection before tightening

All connections with preloaded mechanical fasteners shall be visually checked after they are initially bolted up with the structure aligned locally and before the commencement of preloading. Acceptance criteria shall be in accordance with 8.5.1.

If the nonconformity is due to differing ply thickness that exceeds the criteria specified in 8.1, the connection shall be remade. Otherwise, nonconformity may be corrected, if possible, by adjusting the local alignment of component.

If chamfered washers are installed then they shall be visually checked to ensure that assembly is in accordance with 8.2.4 and EN 14399-9.

Corrected connections shall be checked on re-completion.

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, the tightening procedure shall be checked. If tightening is carried out by the torque method or the combined method, the torque wrench calibration certificates shall be checked to verify the accuracy to 8.5.1.

## 12.5.2.3 Inspection during and after tightening

In addition to the following general requirements for inspection, which apply to all tightening methods except for the HRC method, particular requirements are given in 12.5.2.4 to 12.5.2.7.

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, inspection during and after tightening shall be carried out as follows:

- a) inspection of installed fasteners and/or methods of installation shall be undertaken depending on the tightening method used. The locations selected shall be on a random basis ensuring that the sampling covers the following variables as appropriate - connection type; bolt group, fastener lot, type and size; equipment used and the operatives;
- b) for the purposes of the inspection, a bolt group is defined as bolt assemblies of the same origin in similar connections with the bolt assemblies of the same size and class. A large bolt group may be subdivided into a number of subgroups for inspection purposes;
- c) the number of bolt assemblies inspected overall in a structure shall be as follows:
  - 1) EXC2: 5 % for the second step of the torque or the combined method and for the DTI method;
  - 2) EXC3 and EXC4:
    - i) 5 % for the first step and 10 % for the second step of the combined method;
    - ii) 10 % for the second step of the torque method and for the DTI method;
- d) unless otherwise specified, the inspection shall be carried out using a sequential sampling plan according to Annex M for a sufficient number of bolt assemblies until either the acceptance or the rejection conditions (or all assemblies have been tested) for the relevant sequential type are met for the relevant criteria. The sequential types shall be as follows:
  - 1) EXC2 and EXC3: sequential type A;
  - 2) EXC4: sequential type B:
- e) the first step shall be checked by visual inspection of connections to ensure they are fully packed;
- f) for final tightening inspection the same bolt assembly shall be used for checking both undertightening;
- g) if specified, a check against over-tightening when applying the torque method;
- h) for the inspection of the first step only the under-tightening criterion is to be checked;

- i) the criteria defining a nonconformity and requirements for corrective action are specified below for each tightening method;
- j) if the inspection leads to a rejection, all the bolting assemblies in the bolt subgroup shall be checked and corrective actions shall be taken. If the result of inspection when using a sequential type A is negative, the inspection may be enlarged to the sequential type B;
- k) after completion, a new inspection is required.

If fasteners are not applied in accordance with the defined method, the removal and re-installation of the whole bolt group shall be witnessed.

## 12.5.2.4 Torque method

The inspection of a bolt assembly shall be carried out, using Table 25, by the application of a torque to the nut (or to the bolt head if specified) using a calibrated torque wrench. The objective is to check that the torque value necessary to initiate rotation is at least equal to 1,05 times the torque value  $M_{r,i}$  (i.e  $M_{r,2}$  or  $M_{r, \text{ test}}$ ). Caution shall be taken to keep the rotation to a strict minimum. The following conditions apply:

- a) the torque wrench used for the inspections shall be correctly calibrated and have an accuracy of  $\pm 4\%$ ;
- b) the inspection shall be carried out between 12 h and 72 h after final completion of tightening in the bolt subgroup concerned;
  - If the bolt assemblies to be inspected are from different assembly lots, with inspection torque values that are different the locations of each lot should be established.
- c) if the result is rejection, the accuracy of torque wrench used for tightening shall be checked.

| Execution Class  | At start of tightening   | After tightening                         |
|--|--|--|
| EXC2   | Identification of assembly bolt lot locations  | Inspection of the second tightening step |
| EXC3 and EXC4  | Identification of assembly bolt lot locations Checking the bolt tightening procedure for each bolt group | Inspection of the second tightening step |
| NOTE For assembly bolt lot definition, see EN 14399-1. |  |  |

Table 25 —Inspection of tightening by the torque method

A bolting assembly for which the nut turns by more than  $15^{\circ}$  by the application of the inspecting torque is considered to be under-tightened (<100 %) and shall be retightened up to 100 % of the required torque.

## 12.5.2.5 Combined method

For EXC3 and EXC4 the first step shall be checked before marking using the same torque conditions as used to reach the 75 % condition. A nut, which turns by more than 15° by the application of the inspecting torque, shall be retightened.

If the connections are not fully packed according to 8.3 and 8.5.1, the calibrations of the torque wrenches in combination with the applied loads shall be controlled by supplementary tests to achieve the correct initial pretightening load. If necessary, the first step has to be repeated with the corrected torque values.

If still unpacked, the thickness and out of plane of the assembled connections shall be inspected and adjusted, if necessary by repacking the connection according to 8.5.1 and re-tightening.

Before the second step starts, the markings of all the nuts relative to the bolt threads shall be visually inspected. Any mark missing shall be corrected.

After the second step, the marks shall be inspected with the following requirements:

- a) if the rotation angle is more than 15° below the specified value, this angle shall be corrected;
- b) if the rotation angle is more than 30° over the specified angle, or the bolt or the nut has failed, the bolt assembly shall be replaced by new one.

#### 12.5.2.6 HRC method

For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4 the first tightening step shall be checked by visual inspection of connections to ensure they are fully packed.

The inspection shall be carried out on 100 % of the bolting assemblies by visual inspection. Fully tightened bolt assemblies are identified as those with the spline end sheared off. A bolt assembly for which the spline end remains is considered to be under-tightened.

If tightening of HRC bolting assemblies is completed using the torque method according to 8.5.3 or by the DTI method to 8.5.6, they shall be inspected according to 12.5.2.4 or 12.5.2.7 as appropriate.

## 12.5.2.7 Direct tension indicator method

After the first step, connections shall be inspected to ensure that they are properly packed in accordance with 8.3. The local alignment of non-conforming connections shall be corrected before final tightening commences.

After final tightening, assemblies selected for inspection in accordance with 12.5.2.3 shall be checked to establish that the final indicator settings are in accordance with the requirements in EN 14399-9. The visual inspection shall include a check to identify any indicators that exhibit full compression of the indicator.

If the fasteners are not installed in accordance with EN 14399-9 or if the final indicator setting is not within the specified limits, the removal and reinstallation of the non-conforming assembly shall be supervised, and the whole bolt group shall then be inspected. If the direct tension indicator has not been tightened to the specified limit, the assembly can be further tightened until this limit is achieved.

## 12.5.3 Inspection, testing and repairs of hot rivets

## **12.5.3.1 Inspection**

The number of rivets inspected overall in a structure shall be at least 5 %, with a minimum of 5.

Heads of driven rivets shall be visually inspected and shall satisfy the acceptance criteria of 8.7.3.

Inspection of satisfactory contact shall be done by lightly ringing the rivet head with a hammer of 0,5 kg. The inspection is carried out using a sequential sampling plan according to Annex M to a sufficient number of rivets until either the acceptance or the rejection conditions for the relevant sequential type are met for the relevant criteria. The sequential types are as follows:

a) EXC2 and EXC3: sequential type A;

b) EXC4: sequential type B.

If the inspection leads to a rejection, all the rivets shall be checked and corrective actions shall be taken.

## 12.5.3.2 Repairs

If it is necessary to replace a defective rivet, it shall be done before the structure is loaded. Cutting out shall be done by means of a chisel or by cutting.

After removing a rivet, sides of the rivet hole shall be inspected carefully. In case of cracks, pits, or hole distortion, the hole shall be reamed. If necessary, the replacement rivet shall be of a larger diameter than that removed.

## 12.5.4 Special fasteners and fastening methods

#### 12.5.4.1 General

Requirements for inspection of connections using special fasteners or special fastening methods in accordance with 8.8 shall be specified.

If tapped holes are used in cast materials, NDT around the tapped holes shall be carried out to ensure material homogeneity.

#### 12.5.4.2 Other mechanical fasteners

Inspection of connections with other mechanical fasteners (such as, e.g. hook-bolts, special fasteners) shall be applied according to national product standards/recommendations or manufacturers guidelines or specified methods.

## 12.6 Surface treatment and corrosion protection

If the structure is to be protected against corrosion, inspection of the structure prior to corrosion protection shall be carried out against the requirements of Clause 10.

All substrates (i.e. surfaces, welds and edges of steel components) shall be visually inspected.

With respect to substrates to which paints or related products are to be subsequently applied, assessment of substrate quality shall be as follows:

- a) surface cleanliness shall be assessed according to EN ISO 8501-1 and tested according to the EN ISO 8502 series;
- b) surface roughness shall be assessed according to the EN ISO 8503 series;
- c) the preparation grade of welds, edges and other areas with surface imperfections shall be assessed according to EN ISO 8501-3.

Nonconforming components shall be retreated, retested and re-inspected afterwards.

The inspection of the corrosion protection shall be carried out according to Annex F.

#### 12.7 Erection

#### 12.7.1 Inspection of trial erection

Requirements for inspection of any trial erection to 9.6.4 shall be specified.

## 12.7.2 Inspection of the erected structure

The condition of the erected structure shall be inspected for any indication that components have been distorted or overstressed, and to ensure that any temporary attachments have either been removed satisfactorily or are in accordance with the specified requirements.

## 12.7.3 Survey of geometrical position of connection nodes

## 12.7.3.1 Survey methods and accuracy

A survey of the completed structure shall be made. This survey shall be related to the secondary net. For EXC3 and EXC4 this survey shall be recorded. At acceptance of the structure, detailed specific dimensional checks do not need recording unless otherwise specified.

The method selected shall take into account the capability of the survey process in terms of accuracy relative to the acceptance criteria. Cloud point survey methods may be used.

NOTE Methods and instruments used may be selected from those listed in ISO 7976-1 [15] and ISO 7976-2 [16].

If appropriate, the survey shall be corrected for the effects of temperature and the accuracy of the measurements relative to that in 9.4.1.

NOTE Corrections may be estimated according to the relevant parts of ISO 17123 [17].

## 12.7.3.2 System of measurement

The system of permitted deviations is built up from position points at base level, an envelope for column verticality and a series of intermediate and roof levels referred to as-built floor levels.

NOTE Position points mark the location of individual components for instance columns (see ISO 4463-1).

Each individual value shall be in accordance with the values from the figures and tables. The algebraic sum of the discrete values shall not be greater than the permitted deviations for the total structure.

The system shall set out requirements for connection positions. Between these positions, the manufacturing tolerances define permitted deviations.

The system does not set out explicit requirements for secondary structural components such as side posts and purlins.

Special attention will need to be given to establishing lines and levels when fitting to existing construction.

## 12.7.3.3 Reference points and levels

On each component, which is to be checked, its erection tolerances shall generally be specified relative to the following reference points:

- a) for components within 10° of the vertical: the centre of the component at each end;
- b) for components within 45° of the horizontal (including the tops of lattice trusses): the centre of the top surface at each end;
- c) for internal components in built-up lattice girders and trusses: the centre of the component at each end;
- d) for other components: the erection drawings shall indicate the reference points which shall generally be the top or outside surfaces of components mainly subject to bending and centre lines of components mainly subject to direct compression or tension.

Alternative reference points may be substituted for ease of reference, provided that they have similar effect to those specified above.

#### 12.7.3.4 Location and frequency

Measurements will only be taken of the position of components adjacent to site interconnection nodes as set out below, unless otherwise specified. The location and frequency of measurements shall be specified in the inspection and test plan.

Critical dimensional checks of the as-built structure necessary in relation to special tolerances should be identified and these should be incorporated into the inspection and test plan.

The positional accuracy of the erected steelwork should be measured under self-weight of steelwork only, unless otherwise specified. The conditions under which the measurements shall take place shall then be specified as well as the deviations and movements due to imposed loads, other than those due to self-weight of steelwork, if these can affect dimensional checks.

## 12.7.3.5 Acceptance criteria

The acceptance criteria are given in 11.2 and 11.3.

## 12.7.3.6 Definition of nonconformity

Assessment of whether a non-conformity exists shall take into account the inevitable variability in methods of measurement calculated in accordance with 12.7.3.1.

NOTE 1 ISO 3443-1 to ISO 3443-3 ([18] to [20]) give guidance on tolerances for buildings and the implications of variabilities (including manufacturing, setting-out and erection deviations) on the fit between components.

Accuracy of construction shall be interpreted in relation to the expected deflections, cambers, presets, elastic movements and thermal expansion of components.

NOTE 2 EN 10088–1 gives values for the coefficient of thermal expansion for common stainless steels.

If significant movement of a structure is anticipated that could affect dimensional checking (e.g. for tension structures) an envelope of permissible positions shall be specified.

## 12.7.3.7 Action on nonconformity

Action on nonconformity shall be in accordance with 12.3. Corrections shall be carried out using methods that are in accordance with this European Standard.

If a steel structure is handed over with uncorrected nonconformities awaiting action these shall be listed.

## 12.7.4 Other acceptance tests

If components of a structure are to be erected to a specific load rather than position, detailed requirements, including tolerance range on the load shall be specified.

## Annex A

(normative)

# Additional information, list of options and requirements related to execution classes

## A.1 List of required additional information

This clause lists in Table A.1 the additional information that is required in the text of this European Standard as appropriate to fully define the requirements for execution of the work to be in accordance with this European Standard (i.e. where the wording such as "shall be specified" or "the execution specification shall specify" is used).

Table A.1 — Additional information

| Clause        | Additional information required   |  |  |
|---------------|---|--|--|
| 4.2 - Constru | 4.2 - Constructor's documentation   |  |  |
| 4.2.1         | hold-points or requirement to witness inspections or tests, and any consequent access requirements  |  |  |
| 5 – Constitue | nt products   |  |  |
| 5.1           | Properties of products not covered by listed standards  |  |  |
| 5.3.1         | Grades, qualities and, if appropriate, coating weights and finishes for steel products  |  |  |
| 5.3.3         | Additional requirements related to special restrictions on either surface imperfections or repair of surface defects by grinding in accordance with EN 10163, or with the EN 10088 series for stainless steel |  |  |
|               | Surface finish requirements for other product   |  |  |
|               | The finish, if the relevant specification does not adequately define decorative or specialist surface finishes  |  |  |
| 5.3.4         | Requirements related to the following items:  |  |  |
|               | testing on constituent products;  |  |  |
|               | improved deformation properties perpendicular to the surface;   |  |  |
|               | special delivery conditions of stainless steels;  |  |  |
|               | — processing conditions.  |  |  |
| 5.4           | Grades, grade suffixes and finishes for steel castings  |  |  |
| 5.6.3         | Property classes of bolts and nuts, and surface finishes for structural bolting assemblies for non-preloaded applications   |  |  |
|               | Mechanical properties for some bolting assemblies   |  |  |
|               | Full details for the use of insulation kits   |  |  |
| 5.6.4         | Property classes of bolts and nuts and surface finishes for structural bolting assemblies for preloading  |  |  |
| 5.6.6         | Chemical composition of weather resistant assemblies  |  |  |

| Clause       | Additional information required   |
|--------------|---|
| 5.6.7        | Steel grade of reinforcing steels   |
| 5.6.9.2      | Dimensions for taper washers  |
| 5.6.11       | Special fastener not standardized in CEN or ISO standards, as well as any tests necessary   |
| 5.9          | Grouting materials to be used   |
| 5.10         | Requirements for type and characteristics of expansion joints   |
| 5.11         | Tensile strength grade and coating of wires  Designation and class of strands  Minimum breaking load and diameter of steel wire ropes and requirements related to corrosion protection  |
| 6 - Preparat | ion and assembly  |
| 6.2          | Areas where the marking method would not affect the fatigue life  Zones where identification marks are not permitted or shall not be visible after completion   |
| 6.5.3.2      | Location of temperature measurement and test samples for thermally heated zone  |
| 6.5.4        | For cold formed components and sheeting, if constituent products require protective membranes before forming  |
| 6.6.1        | Special dimensions for movement joints  Nominal hole diameter for hot rivets  Dimensions of countersinking  |
| 6.9          | Special requirements to connections for temporary components, including those related to fatigue  |
| 6.10         | Requirements for whether, and to what extent, trial assembly is to be used  |
| 7 - Welding  |   |
| 7.5.6        | Areas where welding of temporary attachments is not permitted The use of temporary attachments for EXC3 and EXC4  |
| 7.5.9.1      | The location of butt welds used as splices to accommodate available lengths of constituent products   |
| 7.5.13       | Dimensions of holes for slot and plug welds   |
| 7.5.14       | Requirements for other weld types   |
| 7.5.16       | Requirements for grinding and dressing of the surface of completed welds  |
| 7.6.1        | Weld quality for identified welds for EXC4  |
| 7.6.2        | Acceptance criteria in terms of detail category (DC) for welded joint locations subject to fatigue Application of execution requirements given in EN 1993–1-9:2005, Tables 8.1 to 8.8. Application of execution requirements given in EN 1993–2: 2006, Annex C. |
| 7.7          | The requirements for welding different stainless steel types to each other or to other steels, such as carbon steels  |

| Clause       | Additional information required   |
|--------------|---|
| 8 - Mechani  | cal fastening   |
| 8.2.2        | Minimum diameter of fasteners for cold formed components and sheeting   |
|              | Dimensions of bolts in connection utilizing the shear capacity of the unthreaded shank  |
| 8.2.4        | Whether washers, if required, are to be placed under the nut or the bolt head, whichever is rotated, or both  Dimensions and steel grade of plate washers and taper washers |
| 8.4          | Requirements related to contact surfaces in slip resistant connections for stainless  |
| 0.4          | steels  |
|              | Area and required class of contact surfaces in preloaded joints   |
| 8.8          | Requirements and any tests required for use of special fasteners and fastening methods Requirements for use of resin injection bolts  |
| 9 - Erection |   |
| 9.3.1        | Camber and presets required in relation to those provided at manufacturing stage  |
| 9.4.1        | Reference temperature for setting out and measuring the steelwork   |
| 9.5.5        | Method of sealing the edges of a base plate if no grouting is needed  |
| 10 - Surface | treatment   |
| 10.1         | Requirements to take account of the particular coating system to be applied   |
| 10.3         | If necessary, procedures to ensure that the surface of uncoated weather resistant steels is acceptable visually after weathering  |
|              | Requirements for surface treatment of contact non-weather/weather resistant steels  |
| 10.6         | Internal treatment system, if enclosed spaces are to be sealed by welding or provided with internal protective treatment  |
| 10.9         | Method and extent of repairs to pre-coated constituent products after cutting or welding  |
| 10.10        | Method, level and extent of cleaning of stainless steels  |
| 11 - Geomet  | rical tolerances  |
| 11.1         | Additional information related to special tolerances if these tolerances are specified  |
| 12 - Inspect | ion, testing and corrections  |
| 12.3         | Location and frequency of measurements in the inspection and test plan  |
| 12.4.2.3     | The scope of supplementary NDT for each identified EXC4 weld  |
| 12.4.2.4     | Specific EXC4 joints for inspection together with the extent of testing   |
| 12.4.3       | Percentage of studs subject to static bending   |
| 12.5.1       | Requirements for checking the installation of an insulation system  |
| 12.5.2.1     | Requirements for inspection and testing of preloaded bolts used for stainless steels connections  |
| 12.5.4.1     | Requirements for inspection of connections using special fasteners or special fastening methods   |

| Clause       | Additional information required   |
|--------------|---|
| 12.7.1       | Requirements for inspection of trial erection   |
| Annex C - Ch | eck-list for the content of a quality plan  |
| C.2.3.4      | Requirements for keeping records for more than five years   |
| Annex F - Co | rrosion protection  |
| F.1.2        | Performance specification for corrosion protection  |
| F.1.3        | Prescriptive requirements for corrosion protection  |
| F.4          | Requirements for friction surfaces and class of treatment or tests required  Extent of surfaces that are affected by the preloaded bolts in non-slip resistant connections  |
| F.6.3        | Requirements for procedure qualification of the dipping process if hot dip galvanizing of cold-formed components after manufacture is specified  Requirements for the inspection, checking or qualification of the preparation to be carried out before subsequent overcoating, for hot dip galvanized components |
| F.7.3        | Reference areas for corrosion protection systems in corrosivity categories C3 to C5 and Im1 to Im3  |
| F.7.4        | Components for which post-galvanizing inspection is not required Components or specific locations that shall be subjected to additional NDT, the scope and method of which  |

## A.2 List of options

This Annex lists the items which may be specified in the execution specification to define requirements for the execution of the work where options are given in this European Standard (i.e. where the wording such as "unless otherwise specified" or "shall be specified if" is used).

Table A.2 —List of options

| Clause | Option(s) to be specified   |  |  |
|--------|---|--|--|
|        | 4 - Specifications and documentation  |  |  |
| 4.2.2  | If a quality plan for execution of the works is required  |  |  |
|        | 5 - Constituent products  |  |  |
| 5.2    | If traceability for each individual constituent product is specified  |  |  |
| 5.3.1  | If structural steel products other than those listed in Tables 2, 3 and 4 are to be used  |  |  |
| 5.3.2  | If other thickness tolerances for structural steel plates are specified   |  |  |
| 5.3.3  | If discontinuities such as cracks, shell and seams are to be repaired  If decorative or specialist surface finishes are specified |  |  |
| 5.3.4  | If areas close to bearing diaphragms or stiffeners are to be checked for the existence of internal discontinuities                |  |  |
| 5.4    | Options for steel castings If other evaluations are required If other acceptance criteria are specified                           |  |  |

| Clause  | Option(s) to be specified  |  |  |
|---------|--|--|--|
| 5.5     | If other options than those in Table 6 are to be used  |  |  |
| 5.6.3   | If fasteners according to EN ISO 898-1 and EN ISO 898-2 can be used to join stainless steels according to the EN 10088 series  |  |  |
| 5.6.7   | If reinforcing steels may be used for foundation bolts together with the steel grade   |  |  |
| 5.6.8   | If locking devices are required  |  |  |
|         | If other products than those in the referred standards are to be used  |  |  |
|         | 6 - Preparation and assembly   |  |  |
| 6.2     | If other requirements apply to hard stamped numbers, punched or drilled marks If soft or low stress stamps may be used If soft or low stress stamps may not be used for stainless steels   |  |  |
| 6.4.3   | Other quality requirements to cut surfaces than those of Table 9   |  |  |
| 6.4.4   | If hardness of free edge surfaces is specified for carbon steels  If other requirements are specified for the check of the capability of cutting processes   |  |  |
| 6.5.3.2 | If a documented procedure for flame straightening is not required  |  |  |
| 6.5.4   | Other minimum bending radii for stainless steels to referred grades Other conditions for circular tubes bending by cold forming  |  |  |
| 6.6.1   | Other nominal clearances for bolt or pin diameter less than 12 mm or more than 36 mm Other nominal clearance for normal round holes for applications such as towers and masts If 12 and 14 mm or countersunk bolts may be used in 2 mm clearance holes |  |  |
| 6.6.2   | Other tolerances on hole diameter  |  |  |
| 6.6.3   | If holes shall not be formed by punching If other requirements are specified for treatment after punching Identification of details subject to high cyclic or high seismic stresses  |  |  |
| 6.7     | If re-entrant corners or notches may be rounded off with other minimum values of radius.  If punched cut outs are not permitted  |  |  |
| 6.8     | If full contact bearing surfaces are specified   |  |  |
|         | 7 - Welding  |  |  |
| 7.2.2   | If the conditions for welding cold formed zone according to EN 1993–1-8:2005, 4.14 are not required  |  |  |
| 7.4.1.1 | If special deposition conditions for tack welds are required   |  |  |
| 7.4.1.2 | Alternative conditions if procedures are qualified to EN ISO 15613 or EN ISO 15614-1   |  |  |
| 7.4.1.4 | If welding production tests are required   |  |  |
| 7.5.1.1 | If cope holes may have a radius less than 40 mm  |  |  |
| 7.5.4   | Other specification than in Annex E for assembly of hollow section components to be welded   |  |  |

| Clause  | Option(s) to be specified   |
|---------|---|
| 7.5.6   | If chipping and gouging are permitted on grades ≥ S460 or on components subject to fatigue  |
| 7.5.8.2 | If end returns on fillet welds for cold formed components are not to be completed   |
| 7.5.9.1 | For EXC2, if run-on/run-off pieces are required for full penetration transverse butt welds For EXC2, EXC3 and EXC4, if run-on/run-off pieces are required for full penetration longitudinal butt welds or partial penetration butt welds If a flush surface is required   |
| 7.5.9.2 | If permanent steel backing material are not to be used for single side welds  If flush grinding of single-sided butt welds in joints between hollow sections executed without backing is permitted  |
| 7.5.13  | If plug welds performed without previous slot welding are permitted   |
| 7.5.16  | If, for steel grades $\geq$ S460, removing of weld spatter is not required.   |
| 7.6.1   | If, for EXC1, EXC2 and EXC3, other acceptance criteria for weld imperfections are required  |
| 7.6.3   | Requirements for welds in orthotropic bridge decks  |
|         | 8 - Mechanical fastening  |
| 8.2.1   | If, in addition to tightening, other measures or means are to be used to secure the nuts If preloaded assemblies require additional locking devices If bolts and nuts may be welded   |
| 8.2.2   | If nominal fastener diameter may be less than M12 for structural bolting  |
| 8.2.4   | If washers are required for non-preloaded bolt connections  If washers are not required under both the bolt head and the nut for single lap connections with only one bolt row  If plate washers are not required for connections with slotted and oversized holes  |
| 8.3     | If full contact bearing is specified  |
| 8.5.1   | Other nominal minimum preloading force value together with the relevant bolt assemblies, tightening method, tightening parameters and inspection requirements If a lower level of preload is required If there are restrictions on use of any of the tightening methods given in Table 19 If calibration to Annex F for the torque method is permitted If measures are to be taken to offset possible subsequent loss of preloading force |
| 8.5.4   | If other values than those given in Table 20 are specified  If other values than those given in Table 21 are required for the second step   |
| 8.5.5   | If the first step of HRC bolts is to be repeated  |
| 8.6     | If the length of the threaded portion of the shank of the fit bolt (including thread run out) included in the bearing length may exceed 1/3 of the thickness of the plate   |
| 8.7.2   | If a flush surface of countersunk rivets is required  |
| 8.7.3   | If outer faces of plies are to be free of indentation by the riveting machine   |

| Clause                      | Option(s) to be specified  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
|                             | 9 – Erection   |  |
| 9.4.1                       | If site measurements for the works shall be related to other system than the system established for the setting out and measurement of the construction works  |  |
| 9.5.3                       | If compensation for settlement of supports is not acceptable   |  |
| 9.5.4                       | If packings subsequently to be grouted, may be placed so that the grout does not totally encloses them   |  |
|                             | If packings for bridges may be left in position If levelling nuts on the foundation bolts under the base plate are to be removed   |  |
| 9.5.5                       | If tamping and ramming against properly fixed supports are to be used  If treatment of steelwork, bearings and concrete surfaces is required before grouting   |  |
| 9.6.5.2                     | If it is required that bracings in tall buildings are to be de-stressed as erection progresses   |  |
| 9.6.5.3                     | If material of shims is to be different from flat steel  If drifts may not be used to align connections  |  |
|                             | 10 - Surface treatment   |  |
| 10.2                        | If there are requirements for surface cleanliness of stainless steels  If a preparation grade other than P1 is to apply  |  |
|                             | If preparation grade P2 or P3 are to be used for corrosion category above C3 and expected life of the corrosion protection longer than 15 years  |  |
| 10.5                        | If enclosed spaces are to be sealed after hot dip galvanizing and, if so, with what If blasting prior to hot dip galvanizing is required, and the requirements if so   |  |
| 10.6                        | If weld imperfections permitted under the execution specification require sealing by application of suitable filler material to prevent the ingress of moisture  If sealing welds require further inspection after visual inspection |  |
| 10.7                        | If there are specific requirements for coating surfaces in contact with concrete   |  |
| 10.8                        | If faying surfaces and surfaces beneath washers are to be treated with other than primer and undercoat   |  |
|                             | If bolted connections including the perimeter around such connections are to be treated with other than the full corrosion protection system specified for the remainder of the steelwork  |  |
| 10.9                        | if repair, or additional protective treatment, is required to cut edges and adjacent surfaces after cutting  |  |
| 11 - Geometrical tolerances |  |  |
| 11.1                        | If special tolerances are required   |  |
| 11.2.3.5                    | If shims may not be used to reduce the gap of bolt splices in full contact bearing   |  |
| 11.3.1                      | If the alternative criteria for functional tolerances in 11.3.3 apply  |  |
| 11.3.3                      | If specified alternative criteria are to be applied  |  |
|                             | 12 - Inspection, testing and corrections   |  |
| 12.2.1                      | If there are requirements for specific testing of constituent products   |  |

| Clause   | Option(s) to be specified   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| 12.3   | Other methods for repairing damage resulting in local dents in the surface of hollow sections                                     |  |  |  |  |
| 12.4.2.3   | If other rules are required for the percentage extent of testing  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.4.2.4   | testing for EXC1, EXC2 and EXC3   |  |  |  |  |
|  | If Annex L is to be used for defining the scope and percentage extent of supplementary testing using weld inspection classes      |  |  |  |  |
| 12.4.4   | If production tests are required for EXC3 and EXC4  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.5.2.3   | Other inspection method than sequential sampling plan in Annex M If checking of over-tightening is required                       |  |  |  |  |
| 12.7.3.1   | If detailed specific dimensional checks at acceptance are required  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.7.3.4   | Extent of measurements for the survey of geometrical position of connection nodes if other than site interconnection nodes        |  |  |  |  |
|  | Conditions of measurements other than under the self-weight of steelwork  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.7.3.6   | An envelope of permissible positions if significant movement of a structure is anticipated that could affect dimensional checking |  |  |  |  |
| 12.7.4   | Tolerance range on the load, if components of a structure are to be erected to a specific load                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Anne   | ex D - Procedure for checking capability of automated thermal cutting processes   |  |  |  |  |
| D.1  | If the verification of the quality of the cut surfaces shall not be done under the authority of the RWC                           |  |  |  |  |
|  | Annex E – Welded joints in hollow sections  |  |  |  |  |
| E.4(d)   | If the hidden toe area is to be welded  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Annex F – Corrosion protection  |  |  |  |  |
| F.2.2  | Other requirements than the EN ISO 8501 series and EN ISO 1461 for surface preparation of carbon steels                           |  |  |  |  |
| F.5  | If the lower embedded part of foundation bolts are not to be left untreated   |  |  |  |  |
| F.7.2  | Other requirements for the extent of checking required  |  |  |  |  |
| F.7.3  | If reference areas are not specified for corrosion protection systems in Corrosivity Categories C3 to C5 and Im1 to Im3           |  |  |  |  |
| F.7.4  | If hot dip galvanized components are not subjected to post-galvanizing inspection (LMAC)  |  |  |  |  |
| Annex G - Determination of slip factor                         |   |  |  |  |  |
| G.5  | If the design life of the structure is other than 50 years  |  |  |  |  |
| G.6  | If extended creep testing is required   |  |  |  |  |
| Annex L - Guidance on the selection of weld inspection classes |   |  |  |  |  |
| L.1  | The identification of welds in accordance with Table L.1 if weld inspection classes are to be used                                |  |  |  |  |

## A.3 Requirements related to the execution classes

This clause lists requirements specific to each of the execution classes referenced in this European Standard. "Nr" in the table means: No specific requirement in the text.

Items identified with [PC] in Table A.3 relate to the general system of control of execution and are amenable to a common choice of execution class across the whole of the works (or a phase of the works). The other items identified with [PS] generally demand the selection of the appropriate execution class on a component–by-component or a connection detail-by-detail project specific basis.

Table A.3 — Requirements to each execution class

| Clauses   | EXC1                          | EXC2                 | EXC3  | EXC4  |  |  |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Clauses   |                               |                      |   | EAC4  |  |  |
| 4 - Specifications and documentation                          |                               |                      |   |   |  |  |
| 4.2 Constructor's documentation                               |                               |                      |   |   |  |  |
| 4.2.1 Quality documentation [PC]                              | Nr (No requirement)           | Yes                  | Yes   | Yes   |  |  |
| 5 – Constituent products                                      |                               |                      |   |   |  |  |
| 5.2   | Identification, ins           | pection document     | ts and traceability   | 7   |  |  |
| Traceability [PC]   | Nr (No requirement)           | Yes (not full)       | Yes (full)  | Yes (full)  |  |  |
| Marking [PC]  | Nr                            | Yes                  | Yes   | Yes   |  |  |
|   | 5.3 Stru                      | ictural steels prod  | lucts   |   |  |  |
| 5.3.4 Additional properties [PS]                              | Nr                            | Nr                   | Internal discontinuity quality class S1 for welded cruciform joints   | Internal discontinuity quality class \$1 for welded cruciform joints  |  |  |
|   | 6 - Prep                      | paration and asse    | mbly  |   |  |  |
|   |                               | 6.4 Cutting          |   |   |  |  |
| 6.4.3 Thermal cutting [PC]                                    | See Table 9                   | See Table 9          | See Table 9   | See Table 9   |  |  |
| 7 - Welding   |                               |                      |   |   |  |  |
|   |                               | 7.1 General          |   |   |  |  |
| 7.1 General [PC]  | EN ISO 3834-4                 | EN ISO 3834-3        | EN ISO 3834-2   | EN ISO 3834-2   |  |  |
| 7.4 Qualification of welding procedures and welding personnel |                               |                      |   |   |  |  |
| 7.4.1.1 General [PC]  | Appropriate work instructions | See<br>EN ISO 3834-3 | See<br>EN ISO 3834-2  | See<br>EN ISO 3834-2  |  |  |
| 7.4.1.2 Qualification of welding procedures [PC]              | Nr                            | See Table 12         | See Table 12 Additional impact specimens in weld and HAZ if t > 50 mm | See Table 12 Additional impact specimens in weld and HAZ if t > 50 mm |  |  |

| Clauses                                       | EXC1  | EXC2   | EXC3   | EXC4   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 7.4.2 Welding and welding operators [PC]      | Testing frequency                           | See<br>EN ISO 3834-3   | See<br>EN ISO 3834-2   | See<br>EN ISO 3834-2   |  |  |
| 7.4.3 Welding Sufficient supervision          |   | Technical<br>knowledge<br>according Tables<br>14 or 15   | Technical<br>knowledge<br>according<br>Tables 14 or 15   | Technical<br>knowledge<br>according Tables<br>14 or 15   |  |  |
|   | 7.5 Preparati                               | on and execution   | of welding   |  |  |  |
| 7.5.1 Joint preparatio                        | n   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.5.1.1 General [PC]                          | Nr  | Prefabrication<br>primers not<br>allowed unless<br>qualified   | *  | Prefabrication<br>primers not<br>allowed unless<br>qualified   |  |  |
| 7.5.6 Temporary attachments [PS]              | Nr  | Nr   | Use to be specified  | Use to be specified  |  |  |
| 7.5.7 Tack welds [PC]                         | Nr  | Qualified<br>welding<br>procedure  | Qualified<br>welding<br>procedure  | Qualified<br>welding<br>procedure  |  |  |
| 7.5.9 Butt welds                              |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.5.9.1 General [PC]                          | Nr  | pieces for full penetration transverse butt welds if specified Run-on/run-off pieces for full penetration longitudinal butt welds or partial penetration butt welds if specified | pieces for full penetration transverse butt welds Run-on/run-off pieces for full penetration longitudinal butt welds or partial penetration butt | penetration<br>transverse butt<br>welds<br>Run-on/run-off<br>pieces for full<br>penetration<br>longitudinal butt<br>welds or partial<br>penetration butt<br>welds if specified |  |  |
| 7.5.9.2 Single sided welds [PC]               | Nr  | Nr   | Permanent<br>backing<br>continuous   | Permanent<br>backing<br>continuous   |  |  |
| 7.6 Acceptance criteria                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.6.1 Routine requirements [PC] [PS for EXC4] | EN ISO 5817<br>Quality level D<br>generally | EN ISO 5817<br>Quality level C<br>generally  | EN ISO 5817  | EN ISO 5817, EXC3 as a minimum with specific criteria for identified welds   |  |  |
| 7.6.2 Fatigue requirements [PC]               | Not applicable                              | EN ISO 5817:20<br>14, Annex C  | EN ISO 5817:20<br>14, Annex C  | EN ISO 5817:201<br>4, Annex C  |  |  |
| 9 – Erection                                  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.6 Erection and work at site                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |

| Clauses  | EXC1                             | EXC2   | EXC3  | EXC4  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| 9.6.3 Handling and storage on site [PC]  | Nr                               | Documented restoration   | Documented restoration  | Documented restoration  |  |  |
|  |                                  | procedure  | procedure   | procedure   |  |  |
| 12 – Inspection, testing and repair  |                                  |  |   |   |  |  |
|  |                                  | 12.4 Welding   |   |   |  |  |
| 12.4.2 Inspection after  | r welding                        |  |   |   |  |  |
| 12.4.2.3 Routine inspection [PC]   | NDT: See<br>Table 24             | NDT: See<br>Table 24   | NDT: See<br>Table 24  | NDT: EXC3 to<br>Table 24 as a<br>minimum  |  |  |
| 12.4.2.4 Project specific inspection [PS]  | See Table A.2<br>List of options | See Table A.2<br>List of options                                 | See Table A.2<br>List of options  | Identified joints for inspection together with the extent of testing                    |  |  |
| 12.4.2.7 Correction of welds [PC]  | According to work instruction    | According to WPS   | According to WPS  | According to WPS  |  |  |
|  | 12.5 M                           | Iechanical fasteni   | ing   |   |  |  |
| 12.5.2 Inspection and  | testing of preload               | ed bolted connection   | ons   |   |  |  |
| 12.5.2.2 Before tightening [PC]  | Nr                               | Checking of tightening procedure                                 | Checking of tightening procedure  | Checking of tightening procedure  |  |  |
| 12.5.2.3 During and after tightening [PC]  | Nr                               | 5% of second<br>tightening step<br>using<br>Sequential type<br>A | tightening step<br>and 10 % of<br>second<br>tightening step<br>using<br>Sequential type | tightening step<br>and 10 % of<br>second<br>tightening step<br>using<br>Sequential type |  |  |
| 12.5.2.4 Torque method [PC]  | Nr                               | See Table 25   | A<br>See Table 25   | See Table 25  |  |  |
| method [PC]  | first tightening step            | step   | tightening step<br>before marking   | tightening step<br>before marking   |  |  |
| 12.5.2.6 HRC method [PC]   | Nr                               | Inspection of first tightening step                              | _   | Inspection of first tightening step   |  |  |
| 12.5.3.1 Inspection, testing and repair of hot rivets [PC]                       | Nr                               | Ring test<br>Sequential type<br>A                                | A   | В   |  |  |
| 12.7.3.1 Survey of<br>the geometrical<br>position of<br>connection nodes<br>[PC] | Nr                               | Nr   | Record of the<br>survey   | Record of the<br>survey   |  |  |

# **Annex B** (normative)

## **Geometrical tolerances**

## **B.1 General**

Permitted deviations for essential and functional manufacturing tolerances are tabulated in Tables B.1 to B.14.

Permitted deviations for essential and functional erection tolerances are tabulated in Tables B.15 to B.25.

NOTE See prEN 1090-4 for the manufacturing tolerances for cold formed profile sheets and the erection tolerances for profiled steel sheeting and roof sheeting designed as a stressed-skin.

## **B.2 Manufacturing tolerances**

Table B.1 — Manufacturing tolerances - Welded profiles

| No | Criterion                                   | Parameter                  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional tolerances<br>Permitted deviation Δ  |  |
|----|---|----------------------------|---|---|--|
|    |   |                            | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1   | Class 2  |
|    | Depth                                       | Overall depth h:           | $-\Delta = h/50$                                    |   |  |
| 1  |   | <i>h</i> ≤ 900 mm          | (note negative sign)                                | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$                     | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                                |
|    | \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}}                          | 900 < <i>h</i> ≤ 1800 mm   |   | $\Delta = \pm h / 300$                          | $\Delta = \pm h/450$                                       |
|    |   | <i>h</i> > 1800 mm         |   | $\Delta = \pm 6  \text{mm}$                     | $\Delta = \pm 4 \text{ mm}$                                |
| 2  | Flange width: $b_1 + \Delta$ $b_2 + \Delta$ | Width $b = b_1$ or $b_2$ : | $-\Delta = b / 100$ (note negative sign)            | $+ \Delta = b / 100$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 3$ mm | $+ \Delta = b / 100$<br>but<br>$ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$ |

| No | Criterion               | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ                          | Functional (  |   |
|----|-------------------------|--|--|---|---|
|    |                         |  | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 3  | Web eccentricity:       | Position of web:  — general case:  — flange parts in contact with structural bearings:   | No requirement   | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$               | $\Delta = \pm 4 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                       |
| 4  | Squareness of flanges:  | Out of squareness:  — general case:  — flange parts in contact with structural bearings: | No requirement   | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$ but $ \Delta  \ge 5$ mm $\Delta = \pm b / 400$ | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm b / 400$ |
| 5  | Flatness of flanges:    | Out of flatness:  — general case:  — flange parts in contact with structural bearings:   | No requirement   | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3$ mm $\Delta = \pm b / 400$ | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ but $ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm b / 400$ |
| 6  | Squareness at bearings: | Verticality of web<br>at supports, for<br>components<br>without bearing<br>stiffeners:   | $\Delta = \pm h / 200$ but $ \Delta  \ge t_w$ $(t_w = \text{web}$ thickness) | $\Delta = \pm h / 300$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 3$ mm                     | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$ but $ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$                        |

| No | Criterion        | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ   | Functional<br>Permitted d                         |  |
|----|------------------|--|---|---|--|
|    |                  |  | Class 1 and 2   | Class 1   | Class 2  |
| 7  | Plate curvature: | Deviation $\Delta$ over plate height $b$ :   | $\Delta = \pm b / 200$ if $b/t \le 80$ $\Delta = \pm b^2 / (16 - 000 t)$ if $80 < b/t \le 200$ $\Delta = \pm b / 80$ if $b/t > 200$ but $ \Delta  \ge t$ $(t = \text{plate}$ thickness) | $\Delta = \pm b/100$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 5$ mm   | $\Delta = \pm b/150$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$   |
| 8  | Web distortion:  | Deviation $\Delta$ on gauge length $L$ equal to web height $b$ (see (7)):  NOTE For components that are tapered or have variable web height (b) the permitted deviation is related to the mean web height at the location of the gauge.    | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$ but $ \Delta  \ge t$ ( $t = \text{plate}$ thickness)   | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 5$ mm | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ |
| 9  | Web undulation:  | Deviation Δ on gauge length <i>L</i> equal to web height <i>b</i> (see (7)):  NOTE For components that are tapered or have variable web height (b) the permitted deviation is related to the mean web height at the location of the gauge. | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$ but $ \Delta  \ge t$ ( $t = \text{plate}$ thickness)   | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 5$ mm | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ |

| No | Criterion  | Parameter | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional<br>Permitted o  |  |
|----|--|-----------|---|--|--|
|    |  |           | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1  | Class 2  |
| 10 | Castellated beams and cellular beams [fabricated either from plate or from hot-rolled sections] with openings of inscribed nominal diameter <i>D</i> : |           | No requirement                                      | $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = r/100$ and $\Delta \le 5 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = r/100$ and $\Delta \le 5 \text{ mm}$ |

Key:

1 gauge length

NOTE Notations such as  $\Delta = \pm d/100$  but  $|\Delta| \ge t$  mean that  $|\Delta|$  is the *larger* of d/100 and t.

 ${\bf Table~B.2-Manufacturing~tolerances-Press~braked~profiles}$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional tolerances<br>Permitted deviation Δ |                             |
|----|---|--|---|--|-----------------------------|
|    |   |  | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1  | Class 2                     |
|    | Internal element width:                             | Width A between bends (component of thickness t):  | $-\Delta = A / 50$ (note negative sign)             |  |                             |
|    | Α + Δ   | <i>t</i> < 3 mm:   |   | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$                    | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ |
| 1  | <b>▼</b>  | Length < 7 m   |   | $\Delta = -3 \text{ mm /} $ + 5 mm             | Δ = - 2 mm /<br>+ 4 mm      |
|    |   | Length ≥ 7 m   |   |  |                             |
|    |   | $t \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ :   |   | 161.   |                             |
|    |   | Length < 7 m   |   | $\Delta = \pm 5  \text{mm}$                    | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ |
|    |   | Length ≥ 7 m   |   | Δ = - 5 mm /<br>+ 9 mm                         | Δ = - 3 mm /<br>+ 6 mm      |
|    | Outstand element width: $ \frac{B + \Delta}{} $     | Width <i>B</i> between a bend and a free edge (component of thickness <i>t</i> ): Mill edge: | - /\ = B / BU                                       |  |                             |
|    |   | t < 3 mm   |   | Δ = - 3 mm /<br>+ 6 mm                         | Δ = - 2 mm /<br>+ 4 mm      |
| 2  |   | <i>t</i> ≥ 3 mm  |   | Δ = - 5 mm /<br>+ 7 mm                         | Δ = - 3 mm /<br>+ 5 mm      |
|    |   | Sheared edge:  |   |  |                             |
|    | O   | t < 3 mm   |   | Δ = - 2 mm /<br>+ 5 mm                         | Δ = - 1 mm /<br>+ 3 mm      |
|    |   | <i>t</i> ≥ 3 mm  |   | $\Delta = -3 \text{ mm } /$ $+6 \text{ mm}$    | Δ = - 2 mm /<br>+ 4 mm      |
| 3  | Straightness for component to be used unrestrained: | Deviation Δ from straightness:   | $\Delta = \pm L/1000$                               | No requirement                                 | No requirement              |
|    | L L   |  |   |  |                             |

| No | Criterion    | Parameter                                   | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ |                     | tolerances<br>deviation Δ |
|----|--------------|---|---|---------------------|---------------------------|
|    |              |   | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1             | Class 2                   |
| 4  | Flatness:    | Convexity or concavity:                     | No<br>requirement                                   | $\Delta = \pm D/50$ | $\Delta = \pm D/100$      |
| 5  | Bend radius: | Internal bend<br>radius <i>R:</i>           | No<br>requirement                                   | Δ = ± 2 mm          | Δ = ± 1 mm                |
| 6  | Shape:       | Angle $\theta$ between adjacent components: | No<br>requirement                                   | Δ = ± 3°            | Δ = ± 2°                  |

 ${\bf Table~B.3-Manufacturing~tolerances-Flanges~of~welded~profiles}$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Essential tolerances Permitted deviation   | Permitted deviation  Permitted deviation |                        |
|----|---|---|--|--|------------------------|
|    |   |   | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1                                  | Class 2                |
|    | Flange distortion of I section:                     | Deviation $\Delta$ on gauge length $L$                                | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$<br>if $b/t \le 20$  |  |                        |
| 1  |   | where L = flange width b:   | $\Delta = \pm b^2 / (3000 t)$<br>if $b/t > 20$   | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$                   | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ |
|    | Key<br>1 gauge length                               |   | <i>t</i> = flange thickness  |  |                        |
| 2  | Flange undulation of I section:  Key 1 gauge length | Deviation $\Delta$ on gauge length $L$ where $L$ = flange width $b$ : | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ if $b/t \le 20$ $\Delta = \pm b^2 / (3000 t)$ if $b/t > 20$ $t = \text{flange thickness}$ | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$                   | $\Delta = \pm b / 150$ |
| 3  | Straightness for component to be used unrestrained: | Deviation Δ from straightness:  | $\Delta = \pm L/1000$  | $\Delta = \pm L$ $/1000$                 | $\Delta = \pm L/1000$  |

Table~B.4 - Manufacturing~tolerances~-~Flanges~of~welded~box~sections

| No | Criterion  | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ<br>Class 1 and | Permitted (   | tolerances<br>deviation Δ   |
|----|--|--|--|---|---|
|    |  |  | 2  | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 1  | Section dimensions:  b <sub>1</sub> c <sub>q</sub> c <sub>q</sub>  | Deviation in internal or external dimensions: $b < 900 \text{ mm}$ $900 \text{ mm} < b < 1800 \text{ mm}$ $b > 1800 \text{ mm}$ where: $b = b_1, b_2, b_3 \text{ or } b_4$ |  | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm b / 300$ $\Delta = \pm 6 \text{ mm}$          | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm b / 450$ $\Delta = \pm 4 \text{ mm}$          |
| 2  | Twist:   | Overall deviation $\Delta$ in a piece of length $L$ :  | No<br>requirement  | $\Delta = \pm L / 700$ but $ \Delta  \ge 4 \text{ mm}$ and $ \Delta  \le 10 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm L / 1000$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ and $ \Delta  \le 8 \text{ mm}$ |
| 3  | Out of plane imperfections of plate panels between webs or stiffeners, general case:  Key:  1 straight edge gauge of length <i>L</i> |  | $\Delta = \pm a$ $/250$ $\Delta = \pm b$ $/125$                    | $\Delta = \pm a / 250$ $\Delta = \pm b / 125$   | $\Delta = \pm a/250$ $\Delta = \pm b/125$   |

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ<br>Class 1 and |   | tolerances<br>deviation Δ   |
|----|---|---|--|---|---|
|    |   |   | 2  | Class 1   | Class 2   |
|    | Out of plane imperfections of plate panels between webs or stiffeners (special case with compression in the transverse direction – the general case applies unless this | Deviation $\Delta$ perpendicular to the plane of the plate:   |  |   |   |
|    | special case is specified):   | if $b \le 2a$ : $L = 2b$  | $\Delta = \pm b / 250$   | $\Delta = \pm b / 250$  | $\Delta = \pm b / 250$  |
| 4  | Key:  1 straight edge gauge of length L   | if $b > 2a$ : $L = a$   | $\Delta = \pm a / 125$   | $\Delta = \pm a/125$  | $\Delta = \pm a / 125$  |
| 5  | Squareness: $(d_1+d_2)_{\rm act}=(d_1+d_2) \text{ actual}$ $(d_1+d_2)_{\rm nom}=(d_1+d_2) \text{ nominal}$  | Difference $\Delta$ between diagonal dimensions at diaphragm positions: $\Delta =  (d_1 - d_2)_{act} - (d_1 - d_2)_{nom} $ (hence $\Delta =  d_1 - d_2 _{act}$ if $d_1$ and $d_2$ are nominally the same) | No<br>requirement  | $\Delta = \frac{\left(d_1 + d_2\right)_{nom}}{400}$ but $ \Delta  \ge 6 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \frac{\left(d_1 + d_2\right)_{nom}}{600}$ but $ \Delta  \ge 4 \text{ mm}$ |

 ${\it Table~B.5-Manufacturing~tolerances~-~Web~stiffeners~and~cruciform~joints~of~profiles~or~box~sections } \\$ 

| No | Criterion Parameter                    |  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ    | tolerances Functional tolerances Permitted Permitted deviation Δ |  |
|----|--|--|--|--|--|
|    |  |  | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1  | Class 2  |
| 1  | In plane straightness:                 | Deviation △ from straightness in the plane of the web:               | $\Delta = \pm b / 250$ but $ \Delta  \ge 4 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm b / 250$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 4$ mm                | $\Delta = \pm b / 375$ but $ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$       |
| 2  | Out of plane straightness:             | Deviation $\Delta$ from straightness normal to the plane of the web: | $\Delta = \pm D/500$                                   | $\Delta = \pm b / 500$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 4$ mm                | $\Delta = \pm b / 750$<br>but<br>$ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$ |
| 3  | Location of web stiffeners:            | Distance from intended location:                                     | Δ = ±5 mm  | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$                                      | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$                                  |
| 4  | Location of web stiffeners at support: | Distance from intended location:                                     | $\Delta = \pm 3  \text{mm}$                            | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$                                      | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                                  |

| Eccentricity of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity between a pair of stiffeners attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and (11).  Eccentricity of stiffeners at supports:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and (11).  Eccentricity of stiffeners at supports:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and (11). $\Delta = \pm t_w/3$ | No | Criterion               | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional<br>Permitted (  | leviation Δ                |
|--|----|-------------------------|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| stiffeners:  a pair of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and (11).  Eccentricity of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and  |    |                         |  | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1                    | Class 2                    |
| stiffeners at supports:  a pair of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and  | 5  | stiffeners:             | a pair of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and | $\Delta = \pm t_{\rm w}/2$                          | $\Delta = \pm t_{\rm w}/2$ | $\Delta = \pm t_{\rm w}/3$ |
|  | 6  | stiffeners at supports: | a pair of stiffeners:  NOTE For cruciform joints the misalignment eccentricity is limited to $\pm t/2$ where $t$ is the larger of the thicknesses of the two plates attached either side of the web, see Table B.21 (10) and |   | $\Delta = \pm t_{\rm w}/3$ | $\Delta = \pm t_{\rm w}/4$ |

 $Table\ B.6-Manufacturing\ tolerances-Components$ 

| N | Cuitouion  | Danamatan  |   | tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>deviation Δ                                    |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| 0 | Criterion  | Parameter  | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 1 | Length:  | Cut length measured on the centreline (or on the corner for an angle):                         |   |   |
|   | <i>L</i> + Δ   | - general case: - ends ready for full  | ) mm  | $\Delta = \pm (L/10000 + 2)$ mm   |
|   |  | contact bearing:   | $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$                       | $\Delta = \pm 1  \text{mm}$   |
|   | <i>L</i> + Δ   | NOTE Length <i>L</i> measured including welded end plates as applicable.                       | W.  |   |
|   | <i>L</i> + Δ   |  |   |   |
| 2 | Length, where sufficient compensation with adjacent component is possible: | Cut length measured on centreline:   | $\Delta = \pm 50 \text{ mm}$                      | $\Delta = \pm 50 \text{ mm}$  |
| 3 | Straightness:  | Deviation Δ from rectangular axes of a fabricated or press braked section:                     |   | $\Delta = \pm L / 1000$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 3$ mm                        |
| 4 | Camber or intended curvature on plan:                                      | Offset $f$ at midlength:  NOTE Vertical camber should be measured with the member on its side. | $\Delta = \pm L / 500$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 6$ mm | $\Delta = \pm L / 1000$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 4$ mm                        |
| 5 | Surfaces finished for full contact bearing:                                | Gap Δ between straight edge and surface:  NOTE No surface roughness criterion is specified.    | high spots not be                                 | $\Delta$ = 0,25 mm<br>high spots not be<br>proud by more than<br>0,25 mm. |

| N<br>o | Criterion                                   | Parameter   |   | tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>deviation Δ                                     |
|--------|---|---|---|--|
|        |   |   | Class 1   | Class 2  |
| 6      | Squareness of ends: $\frac{\Delta}{\Delta}$ | Squareness to longitudinal axis:                      |   |  |
|        |   | - ends intended for full contact bearing:             | $\Delta = \pm D/1000$   | $\Delta = \pm D/1000$  |
|        | 90°   | - ends not intended<br>for full contact<br>bearing:   | $\Delta = \pm D/100$  | $\Delta = \pm D / 300 \text{but}$ $ \Delta  \le 10 \text{ mm}$             |
| 7      | Twist:                                      | Overall deviation $\Delta$ in a piece of length $L$ : |   |  |
|        |   | NOTE 1 For box sections, see Table B.4.               | $\Delta = \pm L / 700$ but $4 \text{ mm} \le  \Delta  \le 20 \text{ m}$ m | $\Delta = \pm L / 1000$ but $3 \text{ mm} \le  \Delta  \le 15 \text{ m}$ m |
| а      | No essential tolerance specified.           |   | 7   |  |

Notations such as  $\Delta = \pm d/100$  but  $|\Delta| \ge 5$  mm mean that  $|\Delta|$  is the *larger* of d/100 and 5 mm.

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NOTE

Table B.7 — Manufacturing tolerances - Stiffened plating

|    | Table B.7 — Manufacturing tolerances - Stiffened plating  |   |   |   |   |  |
|----|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ             |   | tolerances<br>deviation Δ   |  |
|    |   |   | Class 1 and 2   | Class 1   | Class 2   |  |
| 1  | Straightness of stiffeners:  Longitudinal stiffeners in longitudinally stiffened plating:               | Deviation $\Delta$ perpendicular to the plate:  | $\Delta = \pm a/400$  | $\Delta = \pm a /400$   | $\Delta = \pm a$ /750 but $ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$   |  |
| 2  | Rey: 1 plate  | Deviation $\Delta$ parallel to the plate measured relative to a gauge length equal to the width $b$ of the plating: |   | $\Delta = \pm b /400$   | Δ = ± b<br>/500   |  |
| 3  | Straightness of stiffeners: Transverse stiffeners in transversely and longitudinally stiffened plating: | Deviation Δ perpendicular to the plate:   | Smaller of:<br>$\Delta = \pm a / 400$ or $\Delta = \pm b / 400$ | Smaller of:<br>$\Delta = \pm a$ $/400$ or $\Delta = \pm b$ $/400$ | Smaller of:<br>$\Delta = \pm a$ $/500$ or $\Delta = \pm b$ $/750$ but $ \Delta  \ge 2 \text{ mm}$ |  |
| 4  | a   | Deviation Δ parallel to the plate:  | $\Delta = \pm b / 400$  | $\Delta = \pm b$ $/400$   | Δ = ± b<br>/500   |  |

| No | Criterion | Parameter                                       | Essential tolerances Functional to Permitted deviation Δ |                         |   |
|----|-----------|---|--|-------------------------|---|
|    |           |   | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1                 | Class 2   |
| 5  |           | Level relative to the adjacent<br>cross frames: | $\Delta = \pm L/400$                                     | $\Delta = \pm L$ $/400$ | $\Delta = \pm L$ $/500$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ |

 $Table\ B.8-Manufacturing\ tolerances-Fastener\ holes,\ not ches\ and\ cut\ edges$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Essential tolerances Permitted deviation Δ                     | Permitted  |  |
|----|---|---|--|--|--|
|    |   |   | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1  | Class 2  |
| 1  | Position of holes for fasteners:  | Deviation Δ of centreline of an individual hole from its intended position within a group of holes:                             |  | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$  | $\Delta = \pm 1  \text{mm}$  |
| 2  | Position of holes for fasteners: $\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ \end{array}$ | Deviation $\Delta$ in distance $a$ between an individual hole of diameter $d_0$ and a cut end:  if $a < 3 d_0$ if $a \ge 3 d_0$ | $-\Delta = 0$ (note negative sign) $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ | $-\Delta = 0$ $+\Delta = 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ | $-\Delta = 0$ $+\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ |

| No | Criterion Parameter  |  | Essential tolerances Permitted deviation Δ | olerances Functional toler<br>Permitted Permitted devia   |   |
|----|--|--|--|---|---|
|    |  |  | Class 1 and 2                              | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 3  | Position of hole group:  | Deviation $\Delta$ of a hole group from its intended position:   | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$   | Δ = ± 1 mm  |
| 4  | Spacing of hole groups: $\begin{array}{c c} c + \Delta \\ \hline \\ + \\ + \\ \end{array}$ | Deviation Δ in spacing <i>c</i> between centres of hole groups: - general case: - where a single piece is connected by two | No<br>requirement                          | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$   | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$   |
| 5  | Twist of a hole group:   | groups of fasteners:  Twist $\Delta$ :  if $h \le 1000 \text{ mm}$ if $h > 1000 \text{ mm}$                                | No<br>requirement                          | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 4 \text{ mm}$   | $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$   |
| 6  | Ovalisation of holes:  | $\Delta = L_1 - L_2$   | No<br>requirement                          | Δ = ± 1 mm  | $\Delta = \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$   |
| 7  | Notches:   | Deviation $\Delta$ of notch depth and length: depth $d$ length $L$   | No<br>requirement                          | $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta \le 3 \text{ mm}$ $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta \le 3 \text{ mm}$ | $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta \le 2 \text{ mm}$ $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta \le 2 \text{ mm}$ |

Table B.9 — Manufacturing tolerances - Crane beams

| No | Criterion                             | Parameter   | Functional (<br>Permitted ( |                               |
|----|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
|    |                                       |   | Class 1                     | Class 2                       |
| 1  |                                       | Out of flatness over a central width <i>w</i> equal to the rail width plus 10 mm either side of rail in nominal position: | $\Delta = \pm 1  \text{mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm 1  \text{mm}$   |
| 2  | Eccentricity of rail relative to web: | For <i>t</i> <sub>w</sub> ≤ 10 mm   | Δ = 5 mm                    | Δ = 5 mm                      |
|    | t <sub>w</sub>                        | For <i>t</i> <sub>w</sub> > 10 mm   | $\Delta$ = 0,5 $t_{ m w}$   | $\Delta$ = 0,5 $t_{ m w}$     |
| 3  | Slope of rail:                        | Slope of top surface of cross-section:  | $\Delta = \pm b/100$        | $\Delta = \pm b / 100$        |
| 4  | Level of rail:                        | Step in top of rail at joint:   | Δ = ± 1 mm                  | Δ = ± 0,5 mm                  |
| 5  | Edge of rail:                         | Step in edge of rail at<br>joint:   | $\Delta = \pm 1  \text{mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$ |
| a  | No essential tolerance specified      |   |                             |                               |

 ${\bf Table~B.10-Manufacturing~tolerances-Column~splices~and~base plates}$ 

| No | Criterion      | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional<br>Permitted o | leviation Δ |
|----|----------------|--|---|---------------------------|-------------|
|    |                |  | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1                   | Class 2     |
| 1  | Column splice: | Non-intended eccentricity e about either axis:       | No requirement                                      | 5 mm                      | 3 mm        |
| 2  | Baseplate:     | Non-intended eccentricity <i>e</i> in any direction: | No requirement                                      | 5 mm                      | 3 mm        |

Table B.11 — Manufacturing tolerances - Cylindrical and conical shells

## Criteria and details No Out-of-roundness: Difference between the maximum and minimum values of the measured internal diameter, relative to the nominal internal diameter: $\Delta = \frac{1000(d_{\text{max}} - d_{\text{min}})}{}$ Essential tolerances a Permitted deviation $\Delta$ a) flattening 1 Diamete $d \le 0.50 \text{ m}$ 0.50 m < d < 1.25 m $d \ge 1,25 \text{ m}$ Class A $\Delta = 14$ $\Delta = 7 + 9.3 (1.25 - d)$ $\Delta = 7$ Class B $\Delta = 20$ $\Delta = 10 + 13,3 (1,25 - d)$ $\Delta = 10$ Class C $\Delta = 30$ $\Delta = 15 + 20.0 (1.25 - d)$ $\Delta = 15$ b) unsymmetrical NOTE d is the nominal internal diameter $d_{\text{nom}}$ in metres. Misalignment of plates: Essential tolerances a Non-intended (accidental) eccentricity at joints Class Permitted deviation $\Delta$ perpendicular to membrane compressive forces $\Delta = \pm 0.14t$ At a change of plate thickness, the intentional part of the Class A and $|\Delta| \le 2 \text{ mm}$ eccentricity is not included. $\Delta = \pm 0.20t$ Class B and $|\Delta| \le 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 0.30t$ Class C 2 and $|\Delta| \le 4 \text{ mm}$ At a change of plate thickness: $t = (t_1 + t_2)/2$ $\Delta = e_{\text{tot}} - e_{\text{int}}$ where $t_1$ is the larger thickness; Key: $t_2$ is the smaller thickness. intended joint geometry Dents (Dimples): Meridionally: $L = 4 (rt)^{0.5}$ Circumferentially (gauge radius = r): $L = 4 (rt)^{0.5}$ $L = 2.3 (h^2rt)^{0.25}$ but $L \le r$ 3 Essential tolerances a where h is the axial length of the 1 shell segment Class Permitted deviation $\Delta$ Additionally, across welds: Class A $\Delta = +0.006L$

No functional tolerance specified.

L = 25t but  $L \le 500$  mm

NOTE At a change of thickness:

NOTE With reference to the manufacturing tolerance quality classes in EN 1993-1-6, Class A = Excellent, Class B = High and Class C = Normal.

inward

Key:

Class B

Class C

 $\Delta = +0.010L$ 

 $\Delta = + 0.016L$ 

 $t = t_2$ 

 $Table\ B.12-Manufacturing\ tolerances-Lattice\ components$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter  | Essential tolerances Permitted deviation Δ              |   | l tolerances<br>deviation Δ                             |
|----|---|--|---|---|---|
|    |   |  | Class 1 and 2   | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 1  | Straightness and camber: $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ |  |   |   | $\Delta_2$  |
|    | Key:  a actual camber  b intended camber  c actual line  d intended line      | Deviation at each panel point, relative to a straight line or to the intended camber or curvature: | $\Delta = \pm L/500$ but $ \Delta  \ge 12 \text{ mm}$   | $\Delta = \pm L/500$ but $ \Delta  \ge 12 \text{ mm}$   | but   |
| 2  | Panel dimensions:   | Deviation of individual distances <i>p</i> between intersections of centre lines at panel points:  | No<br>requirement                                       | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$                             | Δ = ± 3 mm  |
|    |   | Cumulative deviation $\Sigma p$ of panel point position:   | No<br>requirement                                       | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ m}$ m                           | $\Delta = \pm 6 \text{ mm}$                             |
| 3  | Straightness of bracing components:   | Deviation of bracing lengths $L_i$ ( $L_1$ or $L_2$ ) from straightness:                           | $\Delta = \pm L_i/1000$ but $ \Delta  \ge 4 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm L_i/1000$ but $ \Delta  \ge 4 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm L_i/1000$ but $ \Delta  \ge 3 \text{ mm}$ |

| No | Criterion                   | Parameter   | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Permitted  | l tolerances<br>deviation Δ   |
|----|-----------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| 4  | Cross-sectional dimensions: | Deviation of distances $D$ , $W$ and $X$ if: $s \le 300 \text{ mm}$ $300 < s < 1000 \text{ mm}$ $s \ge 1000 \text{ mm}$ NOTE $s = D$ , $W$ or $X$ as appropriate. | No requirement                                      | Class 1 $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$ | Class 2 $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 4 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 6 \text{ mm}$ |
| 5  | Intersecting joints:        | Eccentricity (relative to specified eccentricity):  | No<br>requirement                                   | Δ = ± ( <i>B</i> /20<br>+ 5) mm  | $\Delta = \pm (B/40 + 3) \text{ mm}$  |
| 6  | Gap joints:                 | Gap $g$ between bracing components: $g \ge (t_1 + t_2)$ where $t_1$ and $t_2$ are the wall thicknesses of braces  | No<br>requirement                                   | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$  | Δ = ± 3 mm  |

NOTE Notations such as  $\Delta = \pm L/500$  but  $|\Delta| \ge 12$  mm mean that  $|\Delta|$  is the *larger* of L/500 and 6 mm. Notation such as  $|\Delta| = t_1 + t_2$  but  $|\Delta| \le 5$  mm means that the *smaller* of the two values is required.

 ${\bf Table~B.13-Manufacturing~tolerances-Bridge~decks}$ 

| No | Criterion Parameter  |  | Functional tolerance Permitted deviation   |   |
|----|--|--|--|---|
|    |  |  | Class 1  | Class 2   |
| 1  | Length <i>L</i> depth / width <i>B</i> of plate for deck:  | Overall dimensions <i>L</i> and <i>B</i> after cutting and straightening by rolling inclusive of provisions for shrinkage and after application of the final weld preparation  | No<br>requirement  | $-\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ |
| 2  | Flatness of plate for deck:  1 gauge length 2000 mm 2 plate 3 deviation Δ                          | After application of the final weld preparation:   | Class S<br>according to<br>EN 10029  | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                       |
| 3  | Formed profile of height <i>h</i> and widths <i>a</i> and <i>b</i> for passing through crossbeams: | With cope holes: $\Delta$ is the deviation of $h$ or $a$ or $b$ Note for $a$ or $b$ : If the tolerances are exceeded, the cut outs in the crossbeams are to be adapted to meet maximum gap width measured at a distance of at least 500 mm from the end. | $\Delta h = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta a = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta b = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$    | - Δ = 1 mm<br>+ Δ = 2 mm                          |
| 3  |  | Without cope holes: $\Delta$ is the deviation of $h$ or $a$ or $b$ Note for $b$ : If the tolerances are exceeded, the cut outs in the crossbeams are to be adapted to meet maximum gap width measured at a distance of at least 500 mm from the end.     | $\Delta h = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta a = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta b = \pm 2.5 \text{ m}$ m | Δ = ± 0,5 m<br>m                                  |

| No | Criterion   | Parameter                      | Functional t<br>Permitted d       |                                     |
|----|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|    |   |                                | Class 1                           | Class 2                             |
|    | Straightness of formed profile:   |                                | $\Delta_1 = \pm L/500$            | $\Delta_1 = \pm L/1000$             |
| 4  | 9/4   | 2 \                            | $\Delta_2 = 5 \text{ mm}$         | $\Delta_2 = 1 \text{ mm}$           |
|    | +5<br>l -0  | mm<br>mm                       | $5 \text{ mm} \ge \Delta_3 \ge 0$ | $5 \text{ mm} \ge \Delta_3 \ge 0$   |
|    | · · ·   | `3                             | $\Delta_{\rm r} = \pm \ 0.20 \ r$ | $\Delta_{\rm r}$ = ± 2 mm           |
|    | Key:<br>1 max. gap $\Delta_1$<br>2 max widening $\Delta_2$<br>3 for stiffener splices with splice plates<br>radius $r = r \pm \Delta_r$ | $\Delta_3$                     | $\Delta_{\phi}$ = ± 1°            | $\Delta_{arphi} = \pm \ 1^{\circ}$  |
|    | rotation $\Delta_{\phi}$ measured on a plane sur parallelism $\Delta_{p}$   | face over 4 m length           | $\Delta_p = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$     | $\Delta_{\rm p}$ = ± 2 mm           |
| 5  | Length / width of flat profile for welding on both sides:   | Overall dimensions <i>l, h</i> | Δ = ± 2 mm                        | Δ = ± 2 mm                          |
|    | Straightness of flat profile for welding or   | n both sides:                  |                                   |                                     |
| 6  |   |                                | $\Delta_1 = \pm L/1000$           | $\Delta_1 = \pm L/1000$             |
|    | Key: $ 1  \text{max. gap}  \Delta_1 \\ \text{Length}  \Delta_L $  |                                | $5 \text{ mm} \ge \Delta_L \ge 0$ | $5 \text{ mm} \ge \Delta_{L} \ge 0$ |

 $Table\ B.14 - Manufacturing\ tolerances \ \hbox{-}\ Towers\ and\ masts$ 

| No | Criterion                                      | Parameter  |   | tolerance <sup>a</sup><br>deviation Δ             |
|----|--|--|---|---|
|    |  |  | Class 1   | Class 2   |
| 1  | Length of components:                          | Cut length measured on<br>the centreline (or on the<br>corner for an angle):   | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                       | $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$                       |
| 2  | Length or spacing:                             | If minimum dimensions are specified:   | $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta = 1 \text{ mm}$ | $-\Delta = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+\Delta = 1 \text{ mm}$ |
| 3  | Back marks for angles:                         | Distance from heel of angle to centre of hole:   | $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$                       | $\Delta = \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$                     |
| 4  | Squareness of cut edges:                       | Deviation Δ of a cut edge from 90°:  | $\Delta = \pm 0.05t$                              | $\Delta = \pm 0.05t$                              |
| 5  | Squareness of ends:                            | Squareness to longitudinal axis: - ends intended for full contact bearing: - ends not intended for full contact bearing: | $\Delta = \pm D/1000$ $\Delta = \pm D/300$        | $\Delta = \pm D/1000$ $\Delta = \pm D/300$        |
| 6  | Surfaces intended for full contact in bearing: | Flatness:  | 1 in 1500   | 1 in 1500   |
| 7  | Position of holes for fasteners:               | Deviation $\Delta$ of centreline of an individual hole from its intended position within a group of holes:               | Δ = ± 2 mm  | Δ = ± 1 mm  |

| No | Criterion               | Parameter   | Functional tolerance <sup>a</sup><br>Permitted deviation Δ |                               |  |
|----|-------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|--|
|    |                         |   | Class 1  | Class 2                       |  |
| 8  | Position of hole group: | Deviation $\Delta$ of a hole group from its intended position:    | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                                | $\Delta = \pm 1 \text{ mm}$   |  |
| 9  | Spacing of hole groups: | Deviation $\Delta$ in spacing $c$ between centres of hole groups: | Δ = ± 1,5 mm   | $\Delta = \pm 0.5 \text{ mm}$ |  |

NOTE Notations such as  $\Delta = \pm 0.10$  % but  $|\Delta| \ge 5$  mm mean that  $|\Delta|$  is the *larger* of 0.10 % and 5 mm.

## **B.3 Erection tolerances**

Table B.15 — Erection tolerances - Buildings

| No | Criterion                              | Parameter   | Functional t  | tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>deviation Δ              |
|----|--|---|---|---|
|    |  |   | Class 1   | Class 2   |
|    | Height:                                | Overall height,<br>relative to the base<br>level: |   |   |
| 1  | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | <i>h</i> ≤ 20 m                                   | $\Delta = \pm 20 \text{ mm}$                        | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$                        |
|    |  | 20 m < <i>h</i> < 100 m                           | $\Delta = \pm 0.5 (h+20) \text{ mm}$                | $\Delta = \pm 0.25(h+20) \text{ mm}$                |
|    |  | <i>h</i> ≥ 100 m                                  | $\Delta = \pm 0.2 (h+200) \text{ mm}$ [h in metres] | $\Delta = \pm 0.1 (h+200) \text{ mm}$ [h in metres] |
| 2  | Storey height:                         | Height relative to the adjacent levels:           | Δ = ± 10 mm   | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$                         |

a No essential tolerance specified.

| No | Criterion  | Parameter   |                              | tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>deviation Δ |
|----|--|---|------------------------------|--|
|    |  |   | Class 1                      | Class 2                                |
|    | Slope:   | Height relative to  | $\Delta = \pm L/500$         | $\Delta = \pm L/1000$                  |
| 3  |  | the other end of a<br>beam:   | but  Δ  ≤ 10 mm              | but  Δ  ≤ 5 mm                         |
| 4  | Column slice   | Non-intended eccentricity e about either axis:  | 5 mm                         | 3 mm                                   |
| 5  | Column base:   | Level of bottom of column shaft, relative to specified level of its position point (PP):                  | Δ = ±5 mm                    | Δ = ± 5 mm                             |
| 6  | Relative levels:   | Levels of adjacent<br>beams, measured<br>at corresponding<br>ends:  | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$            |
| 7  | Connection levels:    Connection levels:   Connecti | Level of the beam at a beam-to-column connection, measured relative to the established floor level (EFL): | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$ | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$            |
| a  | No essential tolerance specified   |   |                              |  |

 ${\bf Table~B.16-Erection~tolerances-Beams~in~buildings}$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Functional to<br>Permitted d |                             |
|----|---|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|    |   |   | Class 1                      | Class 2                     |
| 1  | Spacing (s) between beam centrelines: $\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | Deviation Δ from intended distance between adjacent erected beams, measured at each end:                        | Δ = ± 10 mm                  | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$ |
| 2  | Location at columns:  | Deviation Δ from intended location of a beam-to-column connection, measured relative to the column:             | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$  | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ |
| 3  | Straightness in plan:   | Deviation $\Delta$ from straightness of an erected beam or cantilever of length $L$ :                           | $\Delta = \pm L/500$         | $\Delta = \pm L/1000$       |
| 4  | Camber:   | Deviation $\Delta$ at mid span from intended camber $f$ of an erected beam or lattice component of length $L$ : | $\Delta = \pm L/300$         | $\Delta = \pm L/500$        |
| 5  | Pre-set of cantilever:  | Deviation $\Delta$ from intended pre-set at end of an erected cantilever of length $L$ :                        | $\Delta = \pm L/200$         | $\Delta = \pm L/300$        |
| а  | No essential tolerance specified  |   |                              |                             |

 ${\bf Table~B.17-Erection~tolerances-Columns~of~single~storey~buildings}$ 

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional<br>Permitted o |                        |
|----|---|---|---|---------------------------|------------------------|
|    |   |   | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1                   | Class 2                |
| 1  | Inclination of columns of single-storey buildings:                                    | Overall inclination in storey height <i>h</i> :   | $\Delta = \pm h/300$                                | $\Delta = \pm h/300$      | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$ |
| 2  | Inclination of individual columns in single storey portal frame buildings: $\Delta_2$ | Inclination $\Delta$ of each column: $\Delta = \Delta_1$ or $\Delta_2$  | No requirement                                      | $\Delta = \pm h / 150$    | $\Delta = \pm h/300$   |
| 3  | Inclination of single storey portal frame buildings: $ \Delta_2 $                     | Average inclination of all the columns in the same frame: [For two columns the average is: $\Delta = (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)/2$ | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$                              | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$    | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$ |

| No | Criterion   | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ<br>Class 1 and 2 | Functional de Permitted de Class 1 |                              |
|----|---|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 4  | Inclination of any column that supports a crane gantry: | Inclination from<br>floor level to<br>bearing of crane<br>beam:  | $\Delta = \pm h / 1000$  |                                    | $\Delta = \pm 15 \text{ mm}$ |
| 5  | 1 11 1  | Location of the column in plan, relative to a straight line between position points at top and bottom: | $\Delta = \pm h / 1000$  | No<br>requirement                  | No<br>requirement            |

Table B.18 — Erection tolerances - Multi-storey buildings

| No | Criterion   | Parameter  | Essential<br>tolerances<br>Permitted<br>deviation Δ | Functional<br>Permitted d                  |  |
|----|---|--|---|--|--|
|    |   |  | Class 1 and 2                                       | Class 1                                    | Class 2                                      |
| 1  | Location at the storey level $n$ levels above the base, relative to that at the base: | Location of the column in plan, relative to a vertical line through its centre at base level:                                | $\Delta = \pm \Sigma h /(300\sqrt{n})$              | $\Delta = \pm \Sigma h / (300\sqrt{n})$    | $\Delta = \pm  \Sigma h  / (500 \sqrt{n}  )$ |
| 2  | Inclination of a column, between adjacent storey levels:                              | Location of the column in plan, relative to a vertical line through its centre at the next lower level:                      | $\Delta = \pm h/300$                                | $\Delta = \pm h/300$                       | $\Delta = \pm h / 500$                       |
| 3  | Straightness of a continuous column between adjacent storey levels:                   | Location of the column in plan, relative to a straight line between position points at adjacent storey levels:               | $\Delta = \pm h/1000$                               | $\Delta = \pm h / 1000$                    | $\Delta = \pm h / 1000$                      |
| 4  | Straightness of a spliced column, between adjacent storey levels:                     | Location of the column in plan at the splice, relative to a straight line between position points at adjacent storey levels: | $\Delta = \pm s / 1000$ with $s \le h / 2$          | $\Delta = \pm s / 1000$ with $s \le h / 2$ | $\Delta = \pm s / 1000$ with $s \le h / 2$   |

NOTE Table B.18 "Multi-storey buildings" applies to columns that are continuous over more than one storey. Table B.17 applies to storey-height columns in multi-storey buildings.

Table B.19 — Erection tolerances - Full contact end bearing

| No | Criterion  | Parameter                                       | Essential tolerances<br>Permitted deviation<br>Δ   | Functional tolerances Permitted deviation |
|----|--|---|--|---|
|    |  |   | Class 1 and 2  | Class 1 and 2                             |
| 1  | Local angular misalign the same time as gap $\Delta$ | ament $\Delta\theta$ occurring at at point "X": | $\Delta\theta = \pm 1/500$ and $\Delta = 0.5 \text{ mm}$ over at least two thirds of the area, and $\Delta = 1.0 \text{ mm}$ maximum locally | No requirement                            |

Table B.20 — Erection tolerances - Positions of columns

| No | Criterion  | Parameter  | Functional tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>Permitted deviation Δ |  |
|----|--|--|---|--|
|    |  |  |   | Class 2  |
| 1  | Location:  | Location in plan of the centre of the column at the level of its base, relative to the position point of reference (PR): | Δ = ± 10 mm   | Δ = ±5 mm  |
|    | Overall length of a building:  | Distance between end columns in each line, at base level:  |   |  |
|    |  | <i>L</i> ≤ 30 m  | $\Delta = \pm 20 \text{ mm}$                                | $\Delta = \pm 16 \text{ mm}$                       |
| 2  | <b>+ + + + + + + + + +</b>   | 30 m < L < 250 m   | $\Delta = \pm 0.25(L+50) \text{ mm}$                        | $\Delta = \pm 0.2(L+50) \text{ mm}$                |
|    | $\begin{array}{c c} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & & \downarrow & \\ & & & \downarrow & \\ & & & \downarrow & \\ & & & &$ | <i>L</i> ≥ 250 m   | $\Delta = \pm 0.1(L+500) \text{ mm}$ [L in metres]          | $\Delta = \pm 0.1(L+350) \text{ mm}$ [L in metres] |

| No  |                                  |   |  | l tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>l deviation Δ          |  |
|-----|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
|     |                                  | Class 1   |  | Class 2   |  |
|     | Column spacing:                  | Distance between centres of adjacent columns at base level:   |  |   |  |
| 3   | + + + +                          | <i>L</i> ≤ 5 m  | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$                       | $\Delta = \pm 7 \text{ mm}$                         |  |
|     |                                  | <i>L</i> > 5 m  | $\Delta = \pm 0.2 (L+45) \text{ mm}$ [L in metres] | $\Delta = \pm 0.2 (L+30) \text{ m}$ m [L in metres] |  |
| 4   | Column alignment generally:      | Location of the centre of<br>the column at base level,<br>relative to the established<br>column line (ECL):                     | Δ = ± 10 mm  | $\Delta = \pm 7 \text{ mm}$                         |  |
| 5   | Perimeter column alignment:      | Location of the outer face of a perimeter column at base level, relative to the line joining the faces of the adjacent columns: | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$                       | Δ = ± 7 mm  |  |
| a N | No essential tolerance specified | AU  |  |   |  |

Table B.21 — Erection tolerances - Bridge decks

| No | Criterion  | Parameter   | Functional tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>Permitted deviation Δ |
|----|--|---|---|
| 1  | Misalignment of splices of deck plate without backing strip or splice of lower flange or web of crossbeam: | Misalignment $\Delta$ before welding:                             | Δ = 2 mm  |
| 2  | Misalignment and fit up of splices of deck plate with backing strip left in place after welding:           |   | $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta_g = 1 \text{ mm}$           |
| 3  | Welding of stiffener-deck plate connection with weld with nominal throat, $a$ :                            | Lack of root penetration $\Delta_{\rm p}\!:$                      | Δ = 2 mm  |
|    | AP TO ST   | Fit up gap $\Delta_g$ before and after welding:                   | $\Delta = 2 \text{ mm}$                                     |
| 4  | Misalignment of stiffener-stiffener connection with splice plates:   | Misalignment Δ between stiffener and splice plate before welding: | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$                                 |
| 5  | Misalignment at stiffener to stiffener connection with splice plates:                                      | Misalignment $\Delta$ before welding:                             | Δ = 2 mm  |

| No | Criterion  | Parameter            | Functional tolerances $^{a}$ Permitted deviation $\Delta$ |
|----|--|----------------------|---|
| 6  | Gaps around stiffener-to-crossbeam connection with stiffeners passing through the crossbeam with or without cope holes  Key:  1 max. gap Δ   |                      | Δ = 3 mm  |
| 7  | Misalignment of and gaps around stiffener-to-crossbeam connection with stiffeners fitted between crossbeams (not passing through)  Key: $1  \text{max. gap } \Delta_1$ $2  \text{misalignment } \Delta_2 \text{ before welding}$   |                      | $\Delta_1 = 2 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta_2 = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$   |
| 8  | Stiffener-crossbeam connection with flats passing through  Key:  1 max. gap Δ around flat  | Gaps before welding: | Δ = 1 mm  |
| 9  | Key:  a connection of web of crossbeam to the connection of web of cro | Gaps before welding: | Δ = 1 mm  |

| No | Criterion   | Parameter  | Functional tolerances $a$<br>Permitted deviation $\Delta$  |
|----|---|--|--|
| 10 | Misalignment of and gaps around connection of webs of crossbeams to web of main girder for continuous crossbeams $ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$  | Gaps before welding:  Misalignment before welding: | $\Delta_{\rm g}$ = 2 mm $\Delta_{\rm w} = \pm 0.5 t_{\rm w,crossb}$  |
| 11 | Misalignment of connection of crossbeam flanges to web of main girder and weld radius $\frac{3}{2}$ Key: $1  \text{web of main girder}$ $2  \text{web of crossbeam}$ $3  \text{thickness of crossbeam web,}$ $t_{\text{w,crossb}}$ $4  \text{misalignment of flanges } \Delta_{\text{f}}$ | Misalignment before welding:  Weld radius:         | $\Delta$ = ± 0,5 $t_{w,crossb}$ The radius, r, of the weld between the flange and the crossbeam web shall be the greater of 8 mm or 0,5 times the thickness of the main girder web, $t_{w,maingirder}$ |

| No                                 | Criterion   | Parameter  | Functional tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>Permitted deviation Δ |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|
|                                    | Fit-up of orthotropic decks of plate thickness, <i>t,</i> after erection:                       | Step difference $V_{\rm e}$ , at junction:                                       |   |  |  |  |  |
| 12                                 | Key:  1 GL gauge length 2 P <sub>r</sub> deviation 3 V <sub>e</sub> step 4 D <sub>r</sub> slope | <i>t</i> ≤ 10 mm:  | 2 mm  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | $10 \text{ mm} < t \le 70 \text{ mm}$  | 5 mm  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | <i>t</i> > 70 mm:  | 8 mm  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | Slope, $D_{\rm r}$ , at junction:  |   |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | <i>t</i> ≤ 10 mm:  | 1/12,5  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | 10 mm < $t$ ≤ 70 mm:   | 1/11  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | <i>t</i> > 70 mm:  | 1/10  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | Flatness, $P_r$ , over gauge length, $GL$ , in all directions:                   |   |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | <i>t</i> ≤ 10 mm:  | 3 mm for <i>GL</i> of 1 m                                   |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   |  | 4 mm for <i>GL</i> of 3 m 5 mm for <i>GL</i> of 5 m         |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | <i>t</i> > 70 mm:  | 3 mm 101 02 01 3 m  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | General case:  | 5 mm for GL of 3 m  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | Longitudinally:  | 18 mm for <i>GL</i> of 3 m                                  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | Values for $P_r$ may be interpolated for $10 \text{ mm} < t \le 70 \text{ mm}$ . |   |  |  |  |  |
| 13                                 | Weld protrusion for orthotropic   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | deck:   | Protrusion $A_{\rm r}$ of weld above surrounding surface:                        | $-A_{\rm r} = 0 \text{ mm}$ $+A_{\rm r} = 2 \text{ mm}$     |  |  |  |  |
| a No essential tolerance specified |   |  |   |  |  |  |  |

Table B.22 — Erection tolerances - Crane runways

| No | Criterion   | Parameter   | Functional tolerances $a$<br>Permitted deviation $\Delta$                            |  |
|----|---|---|--|--|
|    |   |   | Class 1  | Class 2  |
| 1  | Location of rail in plan:   | Relative to the intended location:  | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$   | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$  |
| 2  | Local alignment of rail:  | Alignment over 2 m<br>gauge length:   | $\Delta = \pm 1.5 \text{ mm}$  | Δ= ±1 mm   |
| 3  | Level of rail:  | Relative to the intended level:   | Δ = ± 15 mm  | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$   |
| 4  | Level of rail:  | Level over span L of crane beam:  | $\Delta = \pm L / 500$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 10$ mm                                   | $\Delta = \pm L / 1000$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 10$ mm                              |
| 5  | Level of rail:  | Variation over 2 m gauge length:  | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$  | $\Delta = \pm 2 \text{ mm}$  |
| 6  | Relative levels of rails on the two sides of a runway with span s:  | Deviation of level: for $s \le 10$ m for $s > 10$ m   | $\Delta = \pm 20 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm s / 500$                                  | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm s / 1000$                             |
| 7  | Spacing over span $s$ between centres of crane rails: $\begin{array}{c} s + \Delta \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Deviation of spacing:<br>for $s \le 16$ m<br>for $s > 16$ m   | $\Delta = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm (10 + [s-16]/3) \text{ mm}$ [s in metres] | $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm (5+[s-16]/4) \text{ mm}$ [s in metres] |
| 8  | Structural end stops:   | Relative location of<br>the stops at the same<br>end, measured in the<br>direction of travel on<br>the runway | $\Delta = \pm s/1000$<br>but $ \Delta  \le 10$ mm                                    | $\Delta = \pm s/1000$<br>but $ \Delta  \le 10$ mm                                |

| No                                 | Criterion   | Parameter | Functional t<br>Permitted o |                   |
|------------------------------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| 9                                  | Inclination of opposite rails: $B1$ $A1$ $A2$ $A =  N_1 - N_2 $ $Key:$ $N_1  inclination \ A_1 \ B_1$ $N_2  inclination \ A_2 \ B_2$ $L  distance  of  adjacent$ $supports$ | Offset:   | $\Delta = L/500$            | $\Delta = L/1000$ |
| a No essential tolerance specified |   |           |                             |                   |

Table B.23 — Erection tolerances - Concrete foundations and supports

| No | Criterion  | Parameter   | Functional tolerances $^{a}$<br>Permitted deviation $\Delta$ |
|----|--|---|--|
| 1  | Foundation level:  | Deviation from specified level:   | - Δ = 15 mm (below)<br>+ Δ = 5 mm (above)                    |
| 2  | Vertical wall:  Key:  1 specified position 2 steel component 3 supporting wall | Deviation from specified position at support point for steel component: | Δ = ± 25 mm  |

| No | Criterion  | Parameter  | Functional tolerances <sup>a</sup><br>Permitted deviation Δ   |  |  |
|----|--|--|---|--|--|
|    | Pre-set foundation bolt where prepared for adjustment: $\frac{\Delta_y, \Delta_z}{\Delta_y}$   | Deviation Δ from specified location and protrusion:  | A A   |  |  |
| 3  | $\nabla \nabla$  | Location at tip: $Vertical\ protrusion\ \Delta_p:$ $NOTE The\ permitted\ deviation\ for\ location\ of\ the\ centre\ of\ a\ bolt\ group\ is\ 6\ mm.$  | $\Delta y$ , $\Delta z = \pm 10 \text{ mm}$<br>$-\Delta P = 5 \text{ mm (low)}$<br>$+\Delta P = 25 \text{ mm (high)}$   |  |  |
| 4  | Pre-set foundation bolt where not prepared for adjustment: $\frac{\Delta_{y}, \Delta_{z}}{\sqrt{2}}$   | Deviation $\Delta$ from specified location, level and protrusion: Location or level at tip: Vertical protrusion $\Delta$ p: Horizontal protrusion $\Delta_x$ : NOTE The permitted deviation for location also applies to the centre of a bolt group. | $\Delta_{y}, \Delta_{z} = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ $-\Delta_{p} = 5 \text{ mm (low)}$ $+\Delta_{p} = 45 \text{ mm (high)}$ $-\Delta_{x} = 5 \text{ mm (in)}$ $+\Delta_{x} = 45 \text{ mm (out)}$ |  |  |
| 5  | Steel anchor plate embedded in concrete: $\begin{array}{c c} & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & $ | Deviations Δx, Δy, Δz from the specified location and level:   | Δx, Δy, Δz = ± 10 mm  |  |  |
| a  | a No essential tolerance specified   |  |   |  |  |

Table B.24 — Erection tolerances - Towers and masts

| No | Criterion  | Parameter  | Essential tolerances $^{a}$<br>Permitted deviation $\Delta$                          |  |
|----|--|--|--|--|
| 1  | Straightness of legs and chord components:                     | Straightness of portion ( <i>L</i> ) between joint locations:                      | L/1000   |  |
| 2  | Main dimensions of mast cross section and bracing:             | Panel < 1000 mm:<br>Panel ≥ 1000 mm:   | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ $\Delta = \pm 5 \text{ mm}$                              |  |
| 3  | Position of centre of bracing components at joints:            | Location relative to intended location:  | $\Delta = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$  |  |
| 4  | Alignment of centres of leg components in a leg joint:         | Relative location of the two portions of the leg:                                  | Δ = ± 2 mm   |  |
| 5  | Verticality of a mast:   | Deviation from verticality of a line<br>between any two points on the              | $\Delta = \pm 0.05 \%$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 5 \text{ mm}$                            |  |
| 6  | Verticality of a tower:  | intended vertical axis of the structure, when measured in still air <sup>b</sup> : | $\Delta = \pm 0.20 \%$<br>but $ \Delta  \ge 5 \text{ mm}$                            |  |
| 7  | Twist $\Delta$ over full height of structure [see NOTE 1]:     | Structure < 150 m:<br>Structure ≥ 150 m:   | $\Delta = \pm 2.0^{\circ}$ $\Delta = \pm 1.5^{\circ}$                                |  |
| 8  | Twist Δ between adjacent levels of the structure [see NOTE 1]: |  | $\Delta = \pm 0.10^{\circ}$ per 3 metres<br>$\Delta = \pm 0.05^{\circ}$ per 3 metres |  |

a No functional tolerance specified

NOTE 1 This twist criterion is not applicable to towers with permanent lateral loading.

NOTE 2 Notations such as  $\Delta = \pm 0.10 \%$  but  $|\Delta| \ge 5$  mm mean that  $|\Delta|$  is the *larger* of 0.10 % and 5 mm.

Table B.25 — Erection tolerances - Beams subject to bending and components subject to compression

| No  | Criterion   | Parameter                             | Essential tolerances $^{a}$ Permitted deviation $\Delta$ |  |  |
|-----|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1   | Straightness of beams subject<br>to bending and components<br>subject to compression if<br>unrestrained | Deviation $\Delta$ from straightness: | $\Delta = \pm L/750$                                     |  |  |
| a ] | a No functional tolerance specified   |                                       |  |  |  |

b The permitted deviations for verticality are default values that may be superseded by other less onerous values given in the execution specification, provided these are in accordance with verticality assumptions in the design of the mast or tower.

# **Annex C** (informative)

# Check-list for the content of a quality plan

#### C.1 General

In accordance with 4.2.2, this Annex gives the list of recommended items to be included in a project-specific quality plan for the execution of a steel structure. It is developed with reference to the general guidelines in ISO 10005 [21].

#### **C.2 Content**

## **C.2.1 Management**

- definition of the particular steel structure and its location with relation to the project;
- project management organization plan giving names key personnel, their function and responsibilities during the project, the chain of command and lines of communication;
- arrangements for planning and coordination with other parties throughout the project and for monitoring of performance and progress;
- identification of functions delegated to subcontractors and others not in-house;
- identification and proof of competence of qualified personnel to be employed on the project, including welding coordination personnel, inspection personnel, welders and welding operators;
- arrangements for controlling variations, changes that take place during the project.

#### **C.2.2 Specification review**

- requirement to review the specified project requirements to identify the implications including the choices of execution classes that would require additional or unusual measures beyond those ensured by the company's quality management system;
- qdditional quality management procedures necessitated by the review of the specified project requirements.

#### **C.2.3 Documentation**

#### C.2.3.1 General

 Procedures to manage all received and issued execution documentation, including identification of the current revision status and prevention of the use of invalid or obsolete documents in-house or by subcontractors.

### **C.2.3.2** Documentation prior to execution

— Procedures for providing documentation prior to execution, including:

- certificates for constituent products including consumables;
- weld procedure specifications and qualification records;
- method statements including those for erection and preloading fasteners;
- design calculations for temporary works necessitated by the erection methods;
- arrangements for scope and timing of second or third party approval or acceptance of documentation prior to execution.

#### C.2.3.3 Execution records

- Procedures for providing execution records, including:
  - constituent products traced to completed components;
  - inspection and test reports and action taken to deal with nonconformities, concerning:
    - preparation of joint faces prior to welding;
    - welding and completed weldments;
    - geometrical tolerances of manufactured components;
    - surface preparation and treatment;
    - calibration of equipment including those used for control of preloading of fasteners;
  - pre-erection survey results leading to acceptance that the site is suitable for erection to commence;
  - delivery schedules for components delivered to site identified to location with the completed structure;
  - dimensional surveys of the structure and action taken to deal with nonconformities;
  - certificates for completion of erection and handover.

#### **C.2.3.4** Documentary records

 Arrangements for making documentary records available for inspection, and for retaining them for a minimum period of five years, or longer if required by the project.

#### **C.2.4** Inspection and testing procedures

- identification of the mandatory tests and inspections required by the standard and those provided in the constructor's quality system that are necessary for the execution of the project, including:
  - the scope of inspection;
  - acceptance criteria;
  - actions for dealing with nonconformities and corrections;

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- release/rejection procedures.
- Project-specific requirements for inspection and testing, including requirements that particular tests or inspections are to be witnessed, or points where a nominated third party is to carry out an inspection;
- Identification of hold points associated with second or third party witnessing, approval or acceptance of test or inspection results.



## Annex D

(informative)

# Procedure for checking capability of automated thermal cutting processes

#### D.1 General

This Annex provides guidance on procedures for testing and assessment of thermal cutting processes in accordance with EN 1090-2 and EN ISO 9013.

This procedure may be applied to all thermal cutting processes including laser and plasma cutting.

NOTE Some different or additional parameters may be needed for control of laser and plasma cutting.

The basis for the procedure for checking the capability of thermal cutting processes follows the general rules for specification and qualification of welding procedures in EN ISO 15607.

The procedure is based on preparing a preliminary cutting procedure specification (pCPS) and verifying the quality of the cut surfaces produced using this pCPS in order to finalise a cutting procedure qualification record (CPQR). This CPQR is then used as the basis for control of cutting operations in production using cutting procedure specifications (CPSs).

Table D.3 gives an example of a CPQR. Table D.4 gives an example of a pCPS and CPS.

The CPQR includes a range of qualification within which it may be used. Ranges are given for the following variables:

- a) Group of material;
- b) Material thickness:
- c) Pressures of gases;
- d) Cutting speed and height;
- e) Preheat temperature.

Unless otherwise specified, the verification of the quality of the cut surfaces may be done under the authority of the Responsible Welding Coordinator (RWC) acting as test investigator and assessor. A test report shall be produced summarizing the results of tests upon which the CPQR is based.

NOTE The terms and definitions used in this Annex are explained in EN ISO 9013.

#### D.2 Description of the procedure

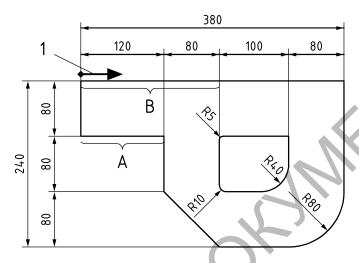
#### D.2.1 General

Cutting of the test pieces shall be conducted according to a preliminary cutting procedure specification (pCPS) where all of the parameters and influences relevant to the process are stated.

In accordance with EN 1090-2, the perpendicularity and angularity tolerance, the average surface roughness as well as the hardness of the edges of cut may be determined. If the cutting process is to be used only for perpendicular cuts, then the angularity tolerance does not need to be determined. In this case, the use of a test piece as shown in Figure D.1 is recommended. If the cutting process is to be used for bevel cuts, then the angularity tolerance needs to be determined.

NOTE If bevel cuts are used to make welding preparations, the angularity tolerance of a bevel cut may not be critical if the surface is subsequently dressed.

The test piece(s) shall have a straight cut, a sharp edged corner as well as a curve-shaped bend. The edges of cut in the areas of the curve-shaped bend as well as of the sharp-edged corner shall have a comparable or higher quality as in the area of the straight cut in relation to the perpendicularity and angularity tolerance respectively as well as to surface roughness. The above parameters shall be determined in the areas of the straight cut with the hardness test having to be particularly conducted in the areas with the highest cutting and cooling speed, respectively.



#### Key

1 Start of procedure and direction of cutting

NOTE Measurements are taken on the straight area B over at least a 200 mm length and hardness are measured in areas A and B on each sample and checked against the required quality class. The sharp corner and curved samples are inspected by visual test to establish that they produce edges of equivalent standard to the straight cuts.

Figure D.1 — Recommended shape of test piec and location of measurements

## D.2.2 Average surface roughness R<sub>Z5</sub>

The average surface roughness  $R_{Z5}$  shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 9013.

At a location representative of the straight flame cut, the surface roughness shall be measured transverse to the groove path along a length of 40 mm (see Figure D.2).

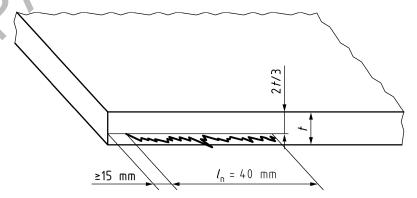


Figure D.2 — Location of surface roughness measure for straight flame cut

The arithmetic average of the single profile elements of five adjacent single measurements each over 3 mm ( $Z_{t1}$  to  $Z_{t5}$  as shown in Figure D.3) shall be used to calculate the average surface roughness  $R_{Z5}$ .

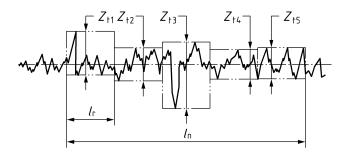


Figure D.3 — Determination of the average surface roughness  $R_{Z5}$ 

In order to determine the average surface roughness  $R_{\rm Z5}$ , a surface roughness tester suitable for high roughnesses shall be used. A sufficient and stable contact surface of the device shall be provided.

For plate thicknesses (t) < 6 mm, additional strips with a smooth surface shall be attached flush with the cut edge to the sides of the plate surfaces of the test piece to be tested using a clamp, in order to ensure sufficient contact.

The highest value of surface roughness  $R_{Z5}$  with the respective distance of the upper edge of the plate shall be determined and recorded.

## D.2.3 Perpendicularity and angularity tolerance

The perpendicularity and angularity tolerance (*u*) shall be determined in accordance with EN ISO 9013 with respect to both vertical and bevel cuts.

At a representative spot (highest measured value to be expected) of the straight flame cut the perpendicularity or angularity tolerance (u) shall be determined using a measuring microscope in a transverse section. When preparing the transverse section an edge of the cut free of burrs shall be provided.

For a better contrast during the measurement, the test piece may be etched using a suitable etching agent. Depending on the plate thickness, several exposures may be completed to form one figure and measured. The reduction of thickness of the cut  $(\Delta a)$  shall be recorded, which limits the area to be measured.

## D.2.4 Hardness test

The hardness test on the flame cut edge shall be performed in accordance with EN ISO 6507-1.

The test pieces for the measurement of the hardness shall have plane, parallel contact surfaces. Grinding of the flame cut edges shall be conducted using grain size 600. The flame cut surface shall be ground so that some indentations of the flame cut surface are still visible. Hardness measurements shall be taken in the areas near the upper and lower edges as well as the centre of the plate thickness (see Figure D.4).

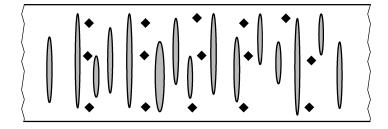


Figure D.4 — Measurement locations on ground flame cut surface

Depending on the plate thickness, either 5 or 15 measurements of the hardness distributed across the cross-section shall be conducted (see Table D.1). During the hardness test near the plate surfaces the minimum distance in accordance with EN ISO 6507-1 as well as the melting of the surfaces shall be observed.

| Plate thickness t<br>[mm] | Hardness measurements   |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| <i>t</i> ≤ 5              | 5, at centre of the plate thickness   |  |  |  |
| t > 5                     | 5, near upper side of the plate 5, near lower side of the plate 5, at centre of the plate thickness |  |  |  |

Table D.1 — Number and area of hardness measurements

## D.3 Range of qualification

#### **D.3.1 Material groups**

Due to the hardening behaviour of the different materials, Table D.2 shall be used to determine the range of validity.

 Test piece
 Range

 Material group from
 Material groups according to

 CEN ISO/TR 15608
 CEN ISO/TR 15608

 1
 1a, 2b

 1.4
 1b, 2b

 2
 1.1, 2b

 3
 1a, 2b, 3b

Table D.2 — Material groups

Independent of Table D.2, the preheating temperature may need adjustment for materials within the range but having a higher carbon equivalent than the test piece, to ensure that the increase in hardness of the cut surface is not unacceptable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Except for 1.4 and valid for steel with the same or lower determined minimum yield strength

b Valid for steel with the same or lower determined minimum yield strength

#### D.3.2 Material thickness

Testing of the thinnest and the thickest test piece shall qualify all material thicknesses within this scope of thickness.

## D.3.3 Pressures of gases

The qualification is valid within the following ranges:

- heating oxygen pressure: +0 % / -20 %;
- fuel gas pressure: +/-5%;
- cutting oxygen pressure: +0 % / -15 %.

## D.3.4 Cutting speed and height

The qualification is valid within the following ranges:

- cutting speed: +10 % / -0 %;
- cutting height: +/-10 %.

## **D.3.5 Preheat temperature**

The qualification is valid within the following range:

— preheat temperature: +/-10 %.

## **D.4 Test report**

The test report shall comprise the following information:

- reference to EN 1090-2 and EN ISO 9013;
- number of the cutting specification pCPS;
- marking of the test piece;
- material;
- plate thickness;
- type of test piece;
- sketch with testing positions on the flame cut edge (if necessary);
- measuring instruments;
- tests conducted and assessment criteria;
- test results;
- evaluation of the test results.

 ${\bf Table~D.3-Example~of~cutting~procedure~qualification~record}$ 

| Cutting procedure qualification record  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
|---|---------------|------------|------------------|-------|-------------------------|--|------|
| (p)CPS-No.:   |               |            | CPQR-No.:        |       |                         |  |      |
| Manufacturer of the thermal cut sample:   |               |            |                  | I.    |                         |  |      |
| Address of manufacturer:  |               |            | Appendices:      | 1     | Cutting-<br>parameters  |  | page |
| Standard:   |               |            |                  | 2     | Material<br>test report |  | page |
| Date of manufacture:  |               |            |                  | 3     | Inspection certificate  |  | page |
| Manufacturer:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Specification   | ons of the cu | utting pro | ocedure qualific | catio | on record               |  |      |
| Cutting process:  | hino          |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Manufacturer of the cutting mac Type of cut:  | nine:         | 137        |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Designation of the cutting torch:   |               |            |                  | 4     |                         |  |      |
| Designation of the cutting nozzle   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Manufacturer of the cutting torc  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Standard:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Material group:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Thickness of the material (mm):   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Type of fuel gas:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Heating oxygen pressure:*   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Fuel gas pressure:*   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Cutting oxygen pressure:*   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Adjustment of the heating flame:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Cutting speed:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Cutting height:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Preheat temperature:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Thermal follow-up treatment:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Type of pre-/post-heating torch   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Designation of the heating torch  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Manufacturer of the heating toro  | ch:           |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Type of fuel gas:   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Oxygen/ compressed air pressu   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Fuel gas pressure:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| * Pressure measured at the inlet of the torch   |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| This record confirms that the manufacturing of the thermal cut sample was satisfactorily prepared,                            |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| produced and tested according to the requirements of 6.4.3 and 6.4.4 of EN 1090–2: EXC2 / EXC3 / EXC4 (delete as appropriate) |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Place and date of issue:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Manufacturer's representative: Name, date and signature:  |               |            |                  |       |                         |  |      |
| Examiner or examining body: Name, date and signature (if other than manufacturer's R  |               |            | s RV             | WC):  |                         |  |      |

 ${\bf Table~D.4-Example~of~a~preliminary~cutting~procedure~specification}$ 

| Cutting procedure specification               |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Cutting process:                              |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturer of the cutting machine:          |  |  |  |  |
| Type of cut:                                  |  |  |  |  |
| Designation of the cutting torch:             |  |  |  |  |
| Designation of the cutting nozzle:            |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturer of the cutting torch/nozzle:     |  |  |  |  |
| Standard:                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Material group:                               |  |  |  |  |
| Thickness of the material (mm):               |  |  |  |  |
| Type of fuel gas:                             |  |  |  |  |
| Heating oxygen pressure:*                     |  |  |  |  |
| Fuel gas pressure:*                           |  |  |  |  |
| Cutting oxygen pressure:*                     |  |  |  |  |
| Adjustment of the heating flame:              |  |  |  |  |
| Cutting speed:                                |  |  |  |  |
| Cutting height:                               |  |  |  |  |
| Preheat temperature:                          |  |  |  |  |
| Angle of cut (if bevel not perpendicular):    |  |  |  |  |
| Thermal follow-up treatment:                  |  |  |  |  |
| Type of pre-/post-heating torch:              |  |  |  |  |
| Designation of the heating torch:             |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturer of the heating torch:            |  |  |  |  |
| Type of fuel gas:                             |  |  |  |  |
| Oxygen/ compressed air pressure:              |  |  |  |  |
| Fuel gas pressure:                            |  |  |  |  |
| * Pressure measured at the inlet of the torch |  |  |  |  |

# **Annex E** (informative)

# Welded joints in hollow sections

#### E.1 General

This Annex gives guidance for execution of welded joints in hollow sections.

## **E.2** Guidance for start and stop positions

The following guidance may be used for in-line joints:

- a) stop and start positions of welds for in-line splice joints in chords should be chosen to avoid these positions coming directly under the location of a subsequent weld between a brace and the chord;
- b) stop and start positions for welds between two in-line square or rectangular hollow sections should not be located at or close to the corner positions.

The following guidance may be used for other joints:

- c) stop and start positions should not be located at or close to the toe position or lateral flank positions of a joint between two circular hollow sections in accordance with Figure E.1;
- d) stop and start positions should not be located at or close to the corner positions of a joint between a square or rectangular hollow section bracing and a hollow chord component;
- e) unless the hollow sections to be joined are the same size, the recommended welding sequence for welding brace to chord joints are given in Figure E.1;
- f) welding between hollow sections should be completed all round, even if this total length of weld is not necessary for strength reasons.

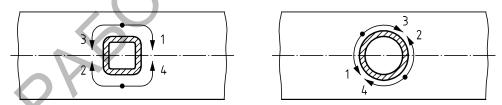


Figure E.1 — Start and stop positions and welding sequence

## **E.3** Preparation of joint faces

With reference to 7.5.1.2, examples of application of EN ISO 9692-1 to brace to chord joints between hollow sections are given in Figures E.2 to E.5.

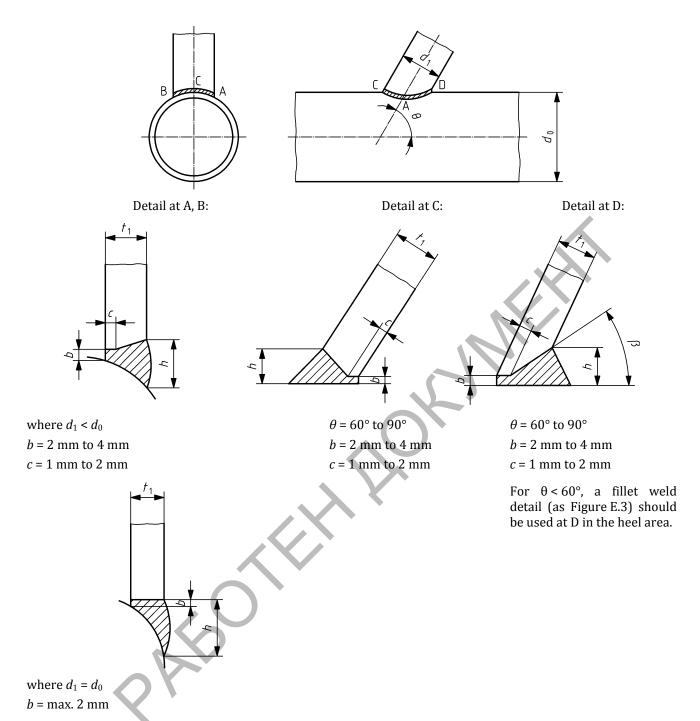
Recommendations for the weld preparation and fit-up for mitre butt joints are locally the same as for butt welds between two components in-line, which requires the bevel angle to be increased on the inside of the mitre and reduced on the outside as shown in Figure E.6.

# E.4 Assembly for welding

In accordance with 7.5.4, assembly of hollow section components to be welded shall be in accordance with the following requirements:

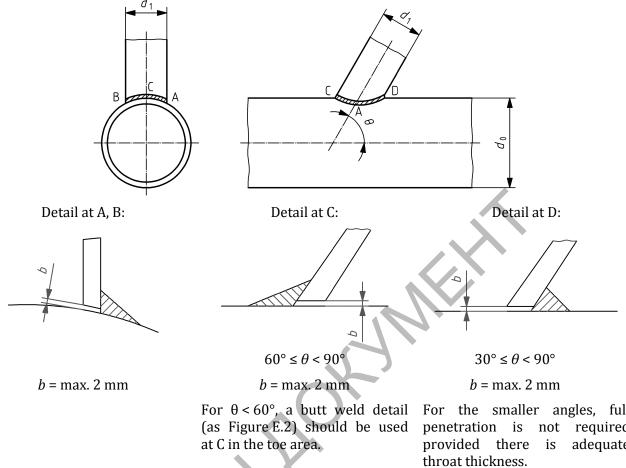
- a) assembly using non-overlapping welding of the separate components is preferred (Case A in Figure E.7);
- b) assembly of overlapping components should be avoided; if necessary Case B in Figure E.7 is acceptable;
- c) if components overlap (as Case B), the welding details shall specified which components are to be cut to fit around other components;
- d) the hidden toe area (as Case B) does not have to be welded unless otherwise specified.

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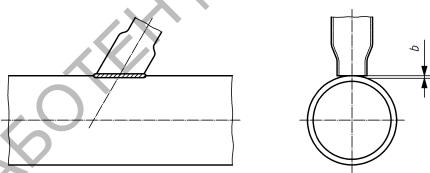


NOTE Application of EN ISO 9692-1 case 1.4 to circular hollow sections.

 $\hbox{Figure E.2 -- Weld preparation and fit-up - Butt welds in circular hollow sections brace to chord joints } \\$ 



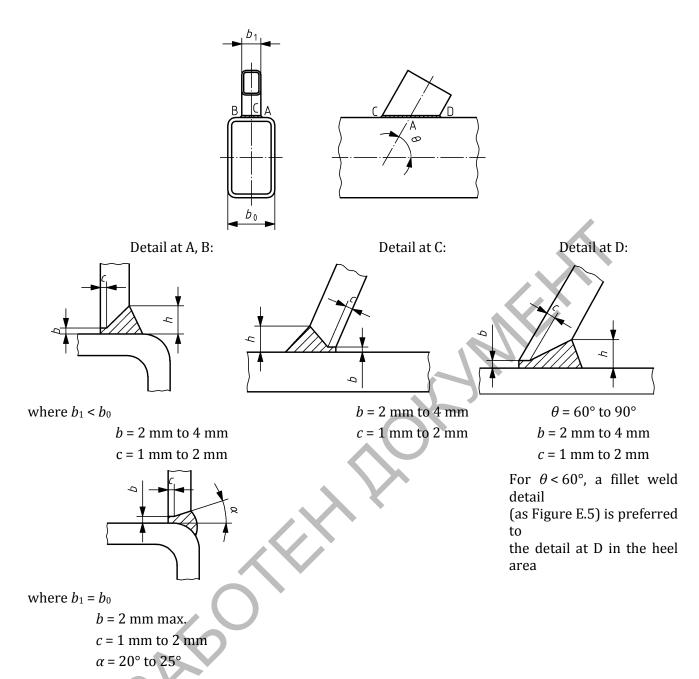
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Application of EN ISO 9692-1 case 3.1.1 to circular hollow sections. NOTE

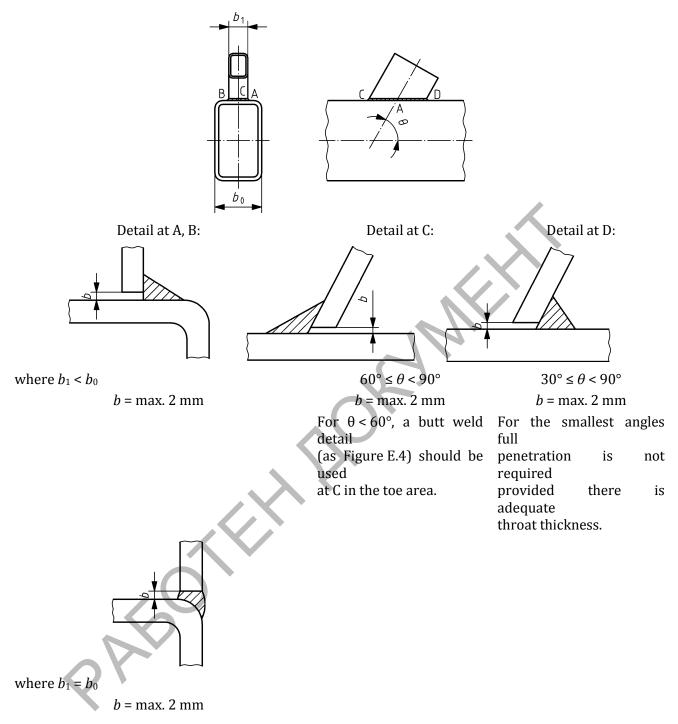
Figure E.3 — Weld preparation and fit-up - Fillet welds in circular hollow section brace to chord joints

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NOTE Application of EN ISO 9692-1 case 1.4 to square or rectangular hollow sections

Figure E.4 — Weld preparation and fit-up - Butt welds in square or rectangular hollow section brace to chord joints



NOTE Application of EN ISO 9692-1 case 3.101 to square or rectangular hollow sections.

 ${\it Figure~E.5-Weld~preparation~and~fit-up~-~Fillet~welds~in~square~or~rectangular~hollow~section}\\ {\it brace~to~chord~joints}$ 

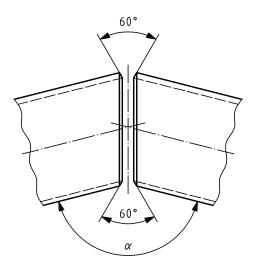


Figure E.6 — Weld preparation and fit-up for hollow section mitre joints

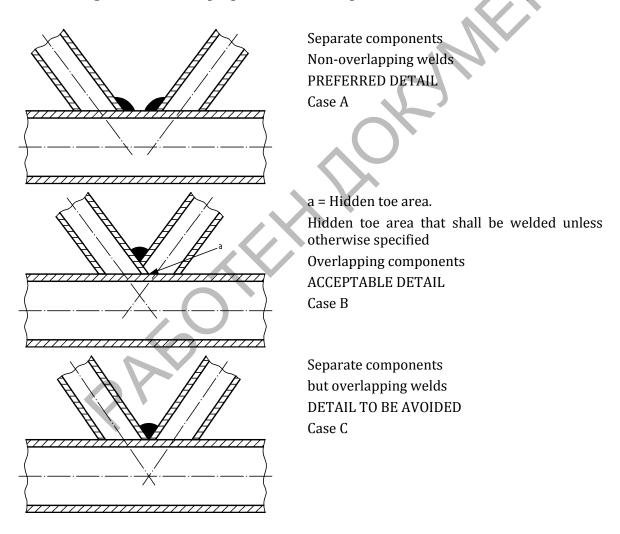


Figure E.7 — Assembly of two brace components to a chord component

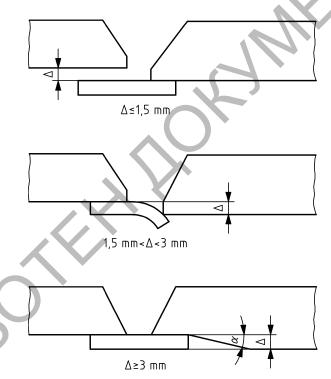
For joints not significantly subjected to dynamic loading, the following deviations may be permitted for the alignment between the root edges or root faces of in-line butt joints between hollow section components:

- 25 % of the thickness of the thinner constituent product for material ≤ 12 mm thick;
- 3 mm for material over 12 mm thick.

This alignment may be achieved using machining of ends to correct wall thickness variations and ovality or out-of-squareness of hollow sections, provided that the remaining material thickness complies with the minimum specified.

For in-line splice butt joints between hollow sections of different thickness, the thicknesses may be matched using the following guidance in accordance with Figure E.8:

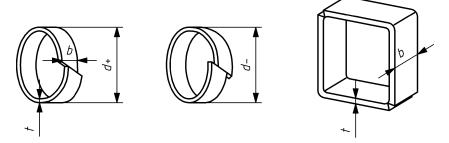
- a) if the difference in thickness does not exceed 1,5 mm, no special measures are necessary;
- b) if the difference in thickness does not exceed 3 mm, the backing material may be shaped to accommodate the difference (local hot forming of the backing material may be used);
- c) if the difference exceeds 3 mm the wall of the thicker component should be tapered with a slope of 1 in 4 or less.



The symbols  $\Delta$  and  $\alpha$  mean:  $\Delta$  = thickness difference;  $\tan \alpha$  = slope, which shall not exceed 1 in 4.

Figure E.8 — Backing material details for components of different thickness

If it is not appropriate to use part of the steel structure as backing material, Figure E.9 gives guidance on suitable shapes for backing rings or strips.



Thickness t: 3-6 mm

Breadth *b*: 20-25 mm

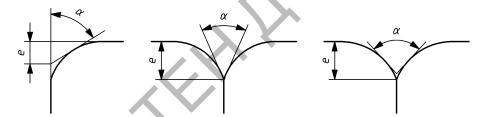
Figure E.9 — Suitable shapes for backing rings or strips

## E.5 Fillet welded joints

For brace to chord joints, the welding procedure and the local profile of weld gap should be chosen to ensure a smooth transition between those parts of the weld that are butts (which should be in accordance with Figures E.2 and E.4 and those that are fillets (which should be in accordance with Figures E.3 and E.5).

For flare welds, the included angle of the weld preparation should exceed  $60^{\circ}$  for the effective depth of the weld, as shown in Figure E.10.

Here the symbol  $\alpha$  means: included angle 60°.



Determination of maximum effective depth of the weld, a, without reinforcement based on included angle,  $\alpha$ , of  $60^{\circ}$ .

Figure E.10 — Flare weld connecting two square/rectangular hollow section components

## Annex F

(normative)

## **Corrosion protection**

#### F.1General

## F.1.1 Field of application

This Annex gives requirements and guidelines relating to the execution of corrosion protection undertaken off-site and/or on-site on steel components with the exception of stainless steels. The field of application is corrosion protection by means of surface preparation and application of paint systems or metallic coatings by means of thermal spray or hot dip galvanizing. Cathodic protection is not included.

The requirements for corrosion protection shall be given in the execution specification in terms of a performance specification (as F.1.2) or as prescriptive requirements for the protective treatment to be used (as F.1.3).

NOTE 1 EN ISO 12944-8 gives guidelines for developing specifications for corrosion protection using paints and related products applied to plain or hot dip galvanized steel substrates (i.e. duplex coatings). EN ISO 1461, EN ISO 14713-1 and EN ISO 14713-2 give guidance for developing specifications for corrosion protection using hot dip galvanizing. EN 13438 [22] and EN 15773 [13] give guidance on powder coating of hot dip galvanized steel.

NOTE 2 Guidance on powder coating of hot dip galvanized steel can be found in EN 13438 [22] and EN 15773 [13].

NOTE 3 Guidance on thermal spraying is given in EN ISO 2063.

This Annex does not cover the corrosion protection of cables and fittings.

NOTE 4 See EN 1993-1-11:2006, Annex A [23].

#### F.1.2 Performance specification

If a performance specification is used to specify the requirements for corrosion protection, it shall specify:

- a) the expected life of the corrosion protection (see EN ISO 12944-1 and EN ISO 14731:2005, Table 2) and;
- b) the corrosivity category (see EN ISO 12944-2 and EN ISO 14731:2005, Table 1).

The performance specification may also state a preference for painting, thermal spraying or hot dip galvanizing.

NOTE In terms of performance, the EN ISO 4628 series [24] can be used for assessing degradation of paints and related products.

#### **F.1.3** Prescriptive requirements

If the expected life of a corrosion protection and corrosivity category are specified, prescriptive requirements shall be developed to comply with them.

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Otherwise, the execution specification shall define the prescriptive requirements giving details of the following items as are relevant:

- a) surface preparation for manufactured steel components to be painted (see F.2.1);
- b) surface preparation for manufactured steel components for thermal spraying (see EN ISO 12679 and F.2.1);
- c) surface preparation for manufactured steel components to be hot dip galvanized (see F.2.2);
- d) processes for surface preparation of fasteners (see F.5);
- e) paint system in accordance with EN ISO 12944-5 and/or paint products that have had their performance assessed according to EN ISO 12944-6. This may include requirements relevant to subsequent decorative coatings and restrictions on choice of colour for coating products;
- f) work methods for initial application of paint products and repair (see EN ISO 12944-8 and F.6.1);

NOTE Repair on site of shop-applied coatings may require special consideration.

- g) thermal spraying (see F.6.2);
- h) hot dip galvanizing (see F.6.3);
- i) particular requirements for inspection and checking (see F.7);
- j) special requirements for bimetallic interfaces.

#### F.1.4 Work method

Corrosion protection shall be undertaken in accordance with work methods that are based on a quality plan and that comply with F.2 to F.6 as relevant. The quality plan shall be developed from the prescriptive requirements in F.1.3.

Work methods shall identify whether work is to be undertaken pre- or post- manufacturing.

Corrosion protection products shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Storage and handling procedures for materials shall ensure that the materials to be used are within their shelf life and pot life after opening or mixing.

All painted, thermal sprayed or hot dip galvanized products shall be carefully handled, stored and transported to avoid damage to their surfaces. Packing, wrapping and other materials used for handling and storage shall generally be of non-metallic type.

Adequate well-ventilated space, protected against the influence of weather, moisture and other coating work shall be provided to allow the paints to cure to an acceptable level and to avoid corrosion of metallic coatings.

No handling, storage and transport shall be performed before the coating system is cured to an acceptable level.

The curing time shall be not less than recommended by the product manufacturer.

Repair procedures shall be appropriate to the damage incurred using handling, storage and erection procedures.

## **F.2Surface preparation of carbon steels**

### F.2.1 Surface preparation of carbon steels prior to painting or metal spraying

Surfaces shall be prepared in accordance with 10.2 and 12.6.

Procedure tests shall be undertaken on blast cleaning processes to establish the surface cleanliness and surface roughness achievable. These shall be repeated at intervals during production.

The results of procedure tests on blast cleaning processes shall be sufficient to establish that the process is suitable for the subsequent coating process.

Measurement and assessment of surface roughness shall be undertaken according to EN ISO 8503-1 and EN ISO 8503-2.

If coated materials are to receive further treatment, the surface preparation shall be appropriate to the subsequent treatment.

NOTE Abrasive cleaning and wire brushing are not appropriate to sound metallic or organically coated components. However, if repairs to coatings are needed, it may be necessary to remove debris or corrosion deposits locally to reveal the basic steel substrate before carrying out the repair.

If overpainting of zinc coated steel is carried out, the cleaning of the surface requires particular attention. Surfaces shall be cleaned (removal of dust and grease) and possibly treated with a suitable etch primer or sweep blasting according to EN ISO 12944-4 to surface roughness "fine" in accordance with EN ISO 8503-2. The pre-treatment shall be checked before subsequent overcoating.

## F.2.2 Surface preparation of carbon steels prior to hot dip galvanizing

Surfaces shall be prepared in accordance with 10.5, EN ISO 14713-2 and EN ISO 1461, unless otherwise specified.

NOTE With pickling used prior to hot dip galvanizing, high strength steels may become susceptible to hydrogen-inducing cracking, strain age embrittlement, liquid metal assisted cracking or liquid metal embrittlement. (see EN ISO 14713-2).

## F.3Welds and surfaces for welding

If a component is subsequently to be welded, the surfaces of the component within 150 mm of the weld shall not be coated with materials that will impair the quality of the weld (see also 7.5.1.1).

Welds and adjacent parent metal shall not be painted before de-slagging, cleaning, checking and acceptance of the weld (see also 10.2 – Table 22).

#### F.4Surfaces in preloaded connections

For slip resistant connections, the execution specification shall specify requirements for friction surfaces and class of treatment or tests required (see 8.4 and 12.5.2.1).

For preloaded connections that are not required to be slip resistant, the extent of surfaces that are affected by the preloaded bolts shall be specified. If the contact surfaces are to be painted before assembly, only primer coating shall be applied with a maximum the dry coating thickness of  $100 \mu m$ .

After assembly and preload, the connections shall be cleaned and finally painted with the relevant system.

#### F.5Preparation of fasteners

The specification for the preparation of fasteners shall be consistent with the following:

- a) the corrosion protection classification specified for the work or part of work;
- b) the material and type of fastener;
- c) the adjacent materials in contact with the fastener when in position and coatings on those materials:
- d) the method of tightening the fastener;
- e) the prospective need to repair the fastener treatment after tightening.

If preparation to fasteners is necessary after installation, it shall not be undertaken until the necessary inspection of the fastener has been completed.

The embedded part of foundation bolts shall be protected for at least the first 50 mm below the finished surface of the concrete. The remaining surfaces of the steel are to be left untreated unless otherwise specified (see EN ISO 12944-3).

## F.6Coating methods

## F.6.1 Painting

The surface condition of the component shall be checked immediately prior to painting to ensure that it complies with the required specifications, EN ISO 12944-4, the EN ISO 8501 series and EN ISO 8503-2 and the manufacturer's recommendations for the product about to be applied.

Painting shall be undertaken in accordance with EN ISO 12944-7.

If two or more coats are to be applied, a different colour shade shall be used for each coat.

Work shall not proceed if:

- a) the ambient temperature is below that recommended in the manufacturer's recommendations for the product to be applied;
- b) the surfaces to be coated are wet or if the relative humidity exceeds the paint manufacturer's recommendations:
- c) the temperature of the surfaces to be coated is less than 3°C above the dew point unless otherwise specified in the product datasheet.

After application, painted surfaces shall be protected for a period after application as required by the product data sheet.

The packing of painted components into bundles shall not commence until the paint manufacturer's declared hardening time has expired. Adequate well-ventilated space, protected against the influence of weather, shall be provided to allow the coating to harden sufficiently. Appropriate measures shall be taken to prevent damage to the coating during packing and handling.

NOTE Cold formed components are often produced as nesting profiles. Tightly packing components into nested bundles before the paint treatment is sufficiently hardened may result in damage.

#### F.6.2 Metal spraying

Thermal metal spraying shall be of zinc, aluminium or zinc/aluminium 85/15 alloy and be undertaken in accordance with EN ISO 2063.

Thermal metal sprayed surfaces shall be treated with a suitable sealer, before overcoating with paint in accordance with F.6.1. This sealer shall be compatible with the overcoating paint and shall be applied immediately after metal spraying cooling so as to avoid oxidation or moisture trapping.

#### F.6.3 Hot dip galvanizing

Hot dip galvanizing shall be undertaken in accordance with EN ISO 1461.

If hot dip galvanizing after manufacturing is specified, it shall be undertaken in accordance with EN ISO 1461 and requirements for procedure qualification of the dipping process shall be specified.

NOTE Light gauge cold-formed components often lack inherent stiffness. Long components composed of thin material can be susceptible to twisting due to stress relieving at the elevated temperature of the zinc bath.

Requirements for the inspection, checking or qualification of the preparation to be carried out before subsequent overcoating shall be specified.

## F.7Inspection and checking

#### F.7.1 General

Inspection and checking shall be undertaken in accordance with the quality plan and F.7.2 to F.7.4. The execution specification shall specify any requirements for additional inspection and testing.

Inspection and checking, including routine checking to F.7.2, shall be recorded.

#### F.7.2 Routine checking

Routine checking of corrosion protection shall comprise:

- a) checks that prepared steel surfaces which are to receive corrosion protection treatment have the specified degree of cleanliness, assessment in accordance with 10.2 and 12.6;
- b) thickness measurement of:
  - 1) each layer of the paint coating in accordance with ISO 19840, but when protection is achieved by hot dip galvanizing, the paint coating shall be checked in accordance with EN ISO 2808;
  - 2) thermal spraying in accordance with EN ISO 2063;
  - 3) hot dip galvanizing in accordance with EN ISO 1461;
- c) visual inspection that paint treatment complies with the provisions of EN ISO 12944-7;
- d) unless otherwise specified the extent of checking shall be:
  - 1) five dry film thicknesses (DFT) readings shall be taken for every 100 m<sup>2</sup> of each layer of coating;
  - 2) the average of these five readings shall not be less than the specified nominal DFT (NDFT);
  - 3) the minimum of these five readings shall not be less than 80 % of the NDFT;
  - 4) the maximum of these five readings shall not exceed 2 x NDFT generally or 3 x NDFT for edges, welds and other areas that receive stripe coating.

#### F.7.3 Reference areas

In accordance with EN ISO 12944-7, the execution specification shall define any reference areas to be used to establish the minimum acceptable standard for the work. Unless otherwise specified, reference areas shall be specified for corrosion protection systems in Corrosivity Categories C3 to C5 and Im1 to Im3.

## F.7.4 Hot dip galvanized components

Unless otherwise specified, due to the risk of liquid metal assisted cracking (LMAC), hot dip galvanized components shall be subjected to post-galvanizing inspection.

NOTE Information on LMAC is given in [25], [26], [27] and [28].

The component specification shall specify the following:

- a) components for which post-galvanizing inspection is not required;
- b) components or specific locations that shall be subjected to additional NDT, the scope and method of which shall be specified.

The results of post-galvanizing inspection shall be recorded.

If evidence of cracking is identified, then the component and all similarly shaped components fabricated with similar materials and weld details shall be identified and quarantined as nonconforming products. A photographic record of the cracking shall be made and a specific procedure shall then be used to establish the scope and origin of the problem.

# Annex G

(normative)

## **Determination of slip factor**

#### **G.1** General

The purpose of this test is to determine the slip factor for a particular surface treatment, often involving a surface coating.

The test procedure is intended to ensure that account is taken of the possibility of creep deformation of the connection.

The validity of the test results for coated surfaces is limited to cases where all significant variables are similar to those of the test specimens.

## **G.2 Significant variables**

The following variables shall be taken as significant on the test results:

- a) the composition of the coating;
- b) the surface treatment and treatment of primary layers in case of multi-layer systems (see G.3);
- c) the maximum thickness of the coating (see G.3);
- d) the curing procedure;
- e) the minimum time interval between application of the coating and application of load to the connection;
- f) the property class of the bolt (see G.6);
- g) number and configuration of washers;
- h) grade of steel plates.

## **G.3 Test specimens**

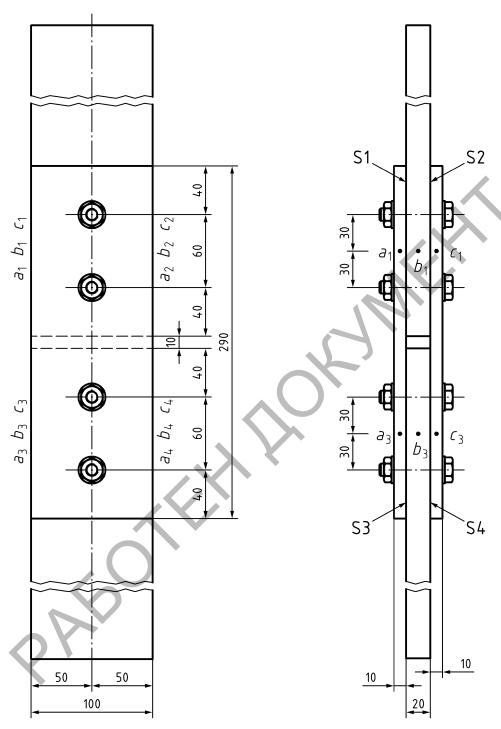
The test specimens shall conform to the dimensional details shown in Figure G.1.

The steel material shall conform to EN 10025-2 to EN 10025-6.

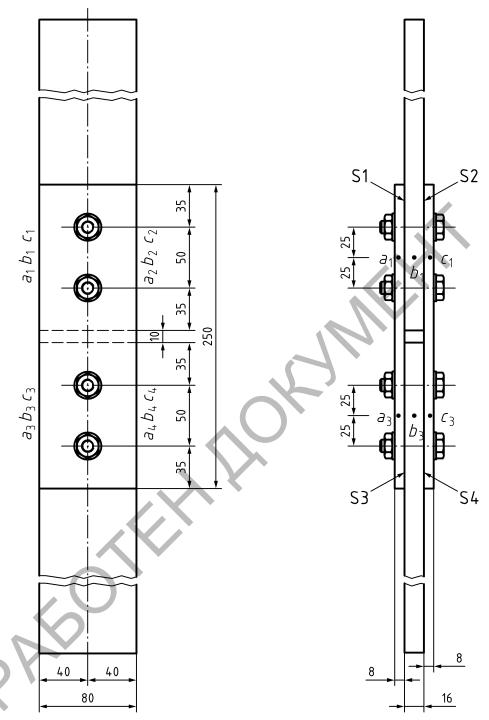
To ensure that the two inner plates have the same thickness, they shall be produced by cutting them consecutively from the same piece of material and assembled in their original relative positions.

The plates shall have accurately cut edges that do not interfere with contact between the plate surfaces. They shall be sufficiently flat to permit the prepared surfaces to be in contact when the bolts have been preloaded in accordance with 8.1 and 8.5.

Dimensions in millimetres



a) M20 bolts in 22 mm hole diameter



b) M16 bolts in 18 mm hole diameter

## Key

- S1 Slip plane 1
- S2 Slip plane 2
- S3 Slip plane 3
- S4 Slip plane 4

Figure G.1 — Standard test specimens for slip factor test

The specified surface treatment and coating shall be applied to the contact surfaces of the test specimens in a manner consistent with the intended structural application. The mean coating thickness on the contact surface of the test specimens shall be at least 25 % thicker than the nominal thickness specified for use in the structure.

The curing procedure shall be documented, either by reference to published recommendations or by description of the actual procedure.

The specimens shall be assembled such that the bolts are bearing in the opposite direction to the applied tension.

The time interval (in hours) between coating and testing shall be recorded.

The bolts shall be tightened to within  $\pm$  5 % of the specified preload,  $F_{p,C}$ , for the size and property class of the bolt used.

The preload in the bolts shall be directly measured with equipment that is accurate to  $\pm$  4 %.

NOTE If it is required to estimate bolt preload losses over time, the test specimens may be left for a specified period at the end of which the preloads may be again measured.

The bolt preloads in each test specimen shall be measured just prior to testing and, if necessary, the bolts shall be retightened to the required  $\pm 5\%$  accuracy.

## G.4 Slip test procedure and evaluation of results

Initially, five test specimens shall be tested. Four tests shall be loaded at normal speed (duration of test approximately 10 min to 15 min). The fifth test specimen shall be used for the creep test.

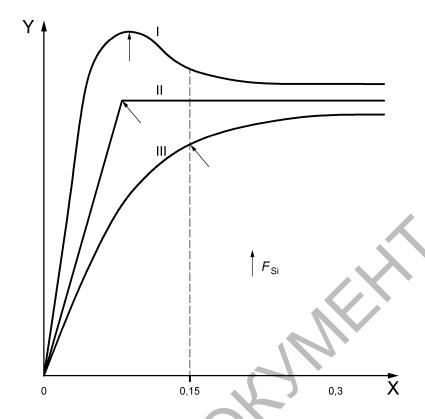
The specimens shall be tested in a tension-loading machine. The load-slip relationship shall be recorded.

In a test specimen, four slip planes exist: slip planes 1 to 4 according to Figure G.1.

The slip shall be taken as the relative displacement between adjacent points on an inner plate (position b, Figure G.1) and a cover plate (positions a and c, Figure G.1), in the direction of the applied load. It shall be measured for each end and each side of the specimen separately resulting in eight displacement values, see Figure G.1.

Slip may occur in a failure mode of combination of slip in slip planes 1 and 2, 3 and 4 or diagonal in slip planes 1 and 4 or 2 and 3. The slip has to be evaluated according to the existing failure mode, so that finally two mean slip values are determined on the basis of eight measured displacements.

The individual slip load for a connection,  $F_{Si}$ , is defined as the load at 0,15 mm displacement or at the peak load before 0,15 mm displacement according to the load-displacement diagram as given in Figure G.2.



#### Key

X slip displacement [mm]

Y load

NOTE

- I Slip load is the peak load before slip of 0,15 mm.
- II Slip load is load at sudden slip before 0,15 mm
- III Slip load is the load at slip of 0,15 mm.

Figure G.2 — Definition of the slip load for different load-displacement behaviour

The fifth test specimen shall be loaded with a specific load of 90 % of the mean slip load  $F_{Sm}$  from the first four specimens (i.e. the mean of eight values).

If, for the fifth specimen, the delayed slip, i.e. difference between the recorded slip at five minutes and at three hours after the application of the full load, does not exceed 0,002 mm, the slip loads for the fifth test specimen shall be determined as for the first four. If the delayed slip exceeds 0,002 mm, extended creep tests shall be carried out in accordance with G.5.

If the standard deviation  $s_{Fs}$  of the ten values (obtained from the five test specimens) for the slip load exceeds 8 % of the mean value, additional specimens shall be tested.

The total number of test specimens (including the first five) shall be determined from:

$$n > (s/3.5)^2$$
 (G.1)

where

- *n* is the number of test specimens;
- s is the standard deviation  $s_{Fs}$  for the slip load from the first five specimens (ten values) expressed as a percentage of the mean slip load value.

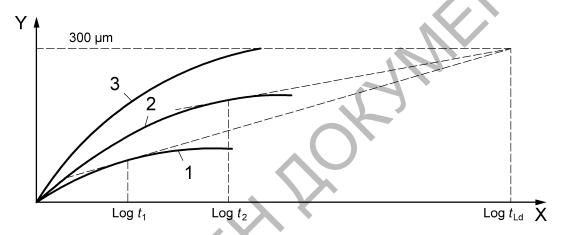
## G.5 Extended creep test procedure and evaluation

If it is necessary to carry out extended creep tests, following H.4 at least three test specimens (six connections) shall be tested.

A specific load shall be applied to the test specimen whose value shall be determined so as to account both for the result of the creep test carried out in H.4 and for the results of all preceding extended creep tests.

A load corresponding to the slip factor proposed for use in the structural application may be adopted. If the surface treatment is to belong to a specified class, a load corresponding to the slip factor for that class may be taken in accordance with Table 16.

A "displacement - log time" curve shall be plotted (see Figure G.3) to demonstrate that the load determined using the proposed slip factor will not cause displacements greater than 0,3 mm during the design life of the structure, taken as 50 years unless otherwise specified. The "displacement - log time curve" may be extrapolated linearly as soon as the tangent can be determined with sufficient accuracy.



#### Key

X log (time)

Y slip displacement

NOTE tLd Design life of structure

t1 Minimum duration for test 1

 $t2\ Minimum\ duration\ for\ test\ 2$ 

Curve 1 Passed extended creep test.

Curve 2 Passed extended creep test.

Curve 3 Extended creep test is not passed

Figure G.3 — Use of the displacement - log time curve for extended creep test

#### **G.6 Test results**

Individual slip factor values are determined as follows:

$$\mu_i = \frac{F_{Si}}{4F_{p,C}} \tag{G.2}$$

The slip load mean value  $F_{Sm}$  and its standard deviation  $s_{F_S}$  are determined as follows:

$$F_{Sm} = \frac{\sum F_{Si}}{n}, \ s_{Fs} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (F_{Si} - F_{Sm})^2}{n-1}}$$
 (G.3)

The slip factor mean value  $\mu_m$  and its standard deviation  $s_\mu$  are determined as follows:

$$\mu_{m} = \frac{\sum \mu_{i}}{n}, s_{\mu} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (\mu_{i} - \mu_{m})^{2}}{n-1}}$$
(G.4)

The characteristic value of the slip factor  $\mu$  shall be taken as the 5 % fractile value with a confidence level of 75 %.

For ten values, n = 10, from five specimens, the characteristic value may be taken as the mean value minus 2.05 times the standard deviation.

Unless extended creep testing is required, the nominal slip factor shall be taken equal to its characteristic value.

If extended creep testing is required, the nominal slip factor may be taken as the value demonstrated to satisfy the specified creep limit, see G.5.

Slip factors determined using bolts property class 10.9 may also be used for bolts property class 8.8.

Alternatively, separate tests may be carried out for bolts property class 8.8. Slip factors determined using bolts property class 8.8 shall not be assumed valid for bolts property class 10.9.

If required, the surface treatment shall be assigned to the relevant friction surface class as follows, in accordance with the characteristic value of the slip factor  $\mu$  determined in G.4 or G.5 as relevant:

| $\mu \geq 0,50$            | class A |
|----------------------------|---------|
| $0,\!40 \le \mu < 0,\!50$  | class B |
| $0,\!30 \leq \mu < 0,\!40$ | class C |
| $0,20 \le \mu < 0,30$      | class D |

# Annex H

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# Calibration test for preloaded bolts under site conditions

#### H.1 General

This Annex specifies a tightening test intended to represent site conditions to calibrate high-strength bolting assemblies for preloaded bolted connections.

The purpose of the test is to determine the necessary parameters to ensure that the minimum required preload is reliably obtained by the tightening methods specified in this European standard.

The purpose of this test is not to upgrade the properties of a bolt assembly declared in accordance with EN 14399-1.

## **H.2 Symbols and units**

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nominal stress area of the bolt, (mm2) (see EN ISO 898-1
A_{\rm s}
           allowable ratio (e_{\rm M} = (M_{\rm max} - M_{\rm min})/M_{\rm m});
e_{\mathrm{M}}
           bolt force determined during the test (kN);
F_{\mathrm{b}}
           mean value of the i number F_{b,i} test values for F_b (kN)
F_{\rm m}
           required preload of 0,7 f_{ub} A_s (kN);
F_{\rm p.C}
f_{\rm ub}
           nominal bolt strength (R_m) (MPa);
           individual value of the torque related to F_{p,C} (Nm);
M_{\rm i}
M_{\rm m}
           mean value of the i number M_i values (Nm);
           maximum value of the i number M_i values (Nm);
M_{\rm max}
M_{\rm min}
           minimum value of the i number M_i values (Nm);
           torque reference value (Nm) (see 8.5.2 b));
M_{\rm r.test}
           estimated standard deviation of the i number M_i values (kN);
S_{M}
V_M
           coefficient of variation of the i number M_i values;
           coefficient of variation of the i number F_i values;
V_{\rm F}
           individual value of the angle \theta at which the bolt force has first reached the value of F_{p,C} (°);
\theta_{
m p,i}
           individual value of the angle \theta at which the bolt force has reached its maximum value F_{\text{b.i.max}}
\theta_{1.i}
           (°);
\theta_{2,i}
           individual value of the angle \theta at which the test is stopped (°);
           the individual angle difference (\theta_{1,i} - \theta_{p,i}) (°);
\Delta\theta_{1.i}
           the individual angle difference (\theta_{2,i} - \theta_{p,i}) (°);
\Delta\theta_{2,i}
           the minimum required value of the angle difference \Delta\theta_{2,i} as specified in the relevant product
\Delta\theta_{2,\min}
           standard (°).
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## H.3 Principle of the test

The test has the possibility to measure the following parameters during tightening:

- the bolt force:
- the torque, if required:
- the relative rotation between the nut and the bolt, if required.

#### H.4 Test apparatus

The bolt force-measuring device may be in accordance with EN 14399-2, or a mechanical or hydraulic device such as a load cell, provided the accuracy of the bolt force-measuring device meets the requirements given in H.8. The bolt force measuring device shall be calibrated at least once per year (or more frequently if recommended by the equipment manufacturer) by a recognized testing authority.

Torque wrenches to be used for the test shall be one of those to be used on site. They shall offer suitable operating range. Hand or power wrenches may be used, with exception of impact wrenches. The accuracy requirement for the wrenches is  $\pm 4$  % for the torque method or  $\pm 10$  % for the combined method as appropriate. The torque wrench shall be calibrated at least once per year (or more frequently if recommended by the manufacturer).

#### **H.5 Test assemblies**

Separate tests shall be carried out on representative samples from each lot of fastener assemblies concerned. Test assemblies shall be chosen so that all relevant aspects of their conditions are similar.

NOTE The site conditions of fasteners, in particular the performance of the lubrication, can vary if they are left exposed to extreme environmental conditions on site or if they are stored for a long period of time.

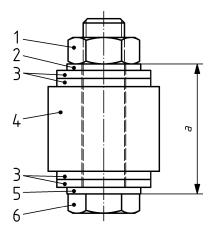
Representative assemblies shall consist of a number of bolts, nuts and washers of each inspection lot. The assemblies used for tests shall not be re-used for supplementary tests or in the structure.

#### H.6 Test set up

The test set-up (see Figure H.1) may include shims needed to suit the measuring device.

The test assemblies and shims shall be positioned such that:

- the composition of the assembly is similar to the utilization in practice;
- a chamfered washer or a chamfered shim is placed under the bolt head;
- a washer is placed under the nut when the nut will be turned during tightening;
- the clamp length including the shims and washer(s) is the minimum allowed in the relevant product standard.



#### Key:

- a clamb length  $\Sigma t$
- 1 nut
- 2 washer under the nut when nut turned during tightening
- 3 shim(s)
- 4 bolt tension measuring device
- 5 chamfered washer of the assembly or chamfered shim
- 6 bolt head

Figure H.1 — Typical assembly of the tension-measuring device

### H.7 Test procedure

For site tests, the method used for tightening during the test shall be the same as that used on the site.

Tests may be carried out either in a laboratory or elsewhere under suitable conditions. The method used for tightening shall be the same as that to be used on the site.

NOTE In certain cases, it may be more convenient to have the product manufacturer check whether fastener assemblies still meet the declared as-delivered properties.

Sufficient measurements shall be taken of the torque, the corresponding bolt tension and, if required, the corresponding rotation of the turned part so as to permit the evaluation of the test results in accordance with H.8.

Neither the fixed part nor the washer under the turned part shall rotate during the test.

The basis of calibration is to record the torque values  $M_i$  associated with the bolt forces  $F_{b,i}$  and to relate those values to target preload tension in the bolt as a proportion of  $F_{p,C}$  = 0,7  $f_{ub}$   $A_s$ .

For the torque method, the test shall be terminated when any one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- a) the bolt force exceeds 1,1  $F_{p,C}$ ;
- b) the angle of nut rotation exceeds  $(\theta_{p,i} + \Delta \theta_1)$  and/or  $(\theta_{p,i} + \Delta \theta_{2,min})$ , if required;
- c) bolt failure by fracture occurs.

#### H.8 Evaluation of test results

The criteria for acceptance of the torque values for the combined method are given in Table H.1 where the measured torque values  $M_i$  are determined by preloading in one set of bolts assemblies to the exact value of 0,75  $F_{p,c}$ .

Table H.1 — Maximum values for eM for the combined method

| Number (i) of tests                                   | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    |
|---|------|------|------|------|
| $e_{\rm M} = (M_{\rm max} - M_{\rm min}) / M_{\rm m}$ | 0,25 | 0,30 | 0,35 | 0,40 |

Required test equipment conditions:

calibrated bolt tension device uncertainty  $\pm\,6\,\%$ , repeatability error  $\pm\,3\,\%$ , calibrated torque wrench accuracy  $\pm\,4\,\%$ , repeatability error  $\pm\,2\,\%$ .

The acceptance criteria for the torque method shall be based on eight measured torque values  $M_{1-8}$  determined by preloading in one set of eight bolt assemblies to the exact value of 1,10  $F_{\rm p.c.}$ 

The resulting torque moment  $M_{r,test}$  for preloading based on all eight of these tests shall be taken as

$$M_{\rm r,test} = (M_{\rm max} + M_{\rm min.}) / 2 \tag{H.1}$$

with the requirement that

$$(M_{\text{max}} - M_{\text{min}}) \le 0.20 M_{\text{r,test}}$$
 (H.2)

If required to be checked, the acceptance criteria for the rotations  $\Delta\theta_1$  and  $\Delta\theta_2$  shall be those in the relevant Part of the EN 14399 series for the fasteners in the assembly lot.

NOTE 1 The rotations  $\Delta\theta_1$  and  $\Delta\theta_2$  are shown in EN 14399–2:2015, Figure 2.

If the rotations are checked, then the maximum tension in the bolt shall be measured (i.e. that force corresponding to the rotation  $\Delta\theta_1$ ). The requirement is that the maximum tension shall be equal to or greater than  $0.9\,f_{\rm ub}\,A_{\rm s}$  with  $f_{\rm ub}$  and  $A_{\rm s}$  based on nominal values.

The acceptance criteria for the HRC method shall be based on the preload from eight bolts after the fracture of the spline-ends.

The following requirements apply:

- a) individual value of  $F_b \ge F_{p,C}$ ;
- b) mean value  $F_{\rm m} \ge 1.1 F_{\rm p,C}$ ;
- c) coefficient of variation of  $F_{\rm h,i}$   $V_{\rm F} \leq 0.06$ .

The acceptance criteria for the DTI method shall be based on measuring the preload on eight bolts when the deformations of the indicator protrusions have just reached the values given in EN 14399-9.

The following requirement applies for all eight sample values of  $F_{b,i}$ :

$$F_{p,C} \le F_{b,i} \le 1,2 F_{p,C}$$

NOTE 2 Values for  $F_{p,C}$  are given in Table 18.

### **H.9 Test report**

The following minimum information shall be included in the test report:

- date of testing;
- identification number of the assembly lot or the extended assembly lot;
- number of assemblies tested;
- designation of the fasteners;
- marking of bolts, nuts and washers;
- coating or surface finish and lubrication condition; if relevant, description of alterations to the surfaces due to site exposure;
- test clamp length;
- details of the test set-up and devices used to measure tension and torque;
- remarks concerning the execution of tests (including special testing conditions and procedures such as turning the head of the bolt);
- tests results according to this Annex;
- specifications for the preloading of the fasteners related to the inspection lot tested;
- calibration certificates for torque wrenches and calibrated force measuring devices.

The test report shall be signed and dated.

# **Annex I** (informative)

## Determination of loss of preload for thick surface coatings

#### I.1 General

For preloaded bolted connections, contact surfaces on which the coatings applied to each surfaces are thicker than  $100\,\mu m$  or consist of a particularly creep-prone material the potential loss of preload should be checked.

As appropriate, Table I.1 may be used as a reference basis to check the suitability of the surface coatings and to estimate the potential loss of preload. The paint system designations used in Table I.1 are as specified in EN ISO 12944-5. Table I.1 assumes that the coated surfaces on three plies are drawn together by preloaded fasteners with all surfaces coated (i.e. six coated surfaces are pressed together including the outer surfaces below the washers or nuts or bolt heads). The limits on coating thicknesses assumed in Table I.1 are that the dry film thicknesses (DFT) of the tested samples are within the range of nominal DFT  $\pm$  20 %.

NOTE 1 The maximum DFT of 1.2 x NDFT is a more restrictive limit than that specified in F.7.2.

Otherwise, a test may be undertaken according to 1.2. The purpose of the test is to relate the loss of preload to the maximum permitted thickness of coating layers.

It is not the purpose of the test to assess the effect on the friction coefficient of paint on the faying surfaces of slip resistant preloaded connections.

NOTE 2 The potential loss of preloading force of no more than  $10\,\%$  is considered in the tightening methods specified in 8.5.

Table I.1 — Potential loss of preload from coatings/coating systems in combination with preloaded contact surfaces

| Coating/coating system (See EN ISO 12944-5 for full system details)  | System reference in<br>EN ISO 12944-5 | Potential loss of preload   |  |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Unpainted hot dip galvanizing according to EN ISO 1461   | n/a<br>Listed as a reference<br>value | Loss of preload force ≤ 10 %  Suitable in all preloaded bolted connections <sup>a b</sup> |  |  |
| Alkali metallic zinc silicate primer   | n/a                                   | Loss of preload force ≤ 10 %  |  |  |
| One layer 2 pack-EP or -PUR coating with Zn(R)   | A 3.10                                | Suitable in all preloaded bolted connections <sup>a b</sup>                               |  |  |
| Multilayer 1 pack-PUR coating  | A 3.11                                | Loss of preload force ≤ 30 %.   |  |  |
| systems with Zn(R)   | A 4.13                                | Suitable in Category A and D bolted   |  |  |
|  | A 4.14                                | connections according to EN 1993-1-   |  |  |
|  | A 4.15                                | 8 that are preloaded for serviceability reasons (e.g. durability or                       |  |  |
| One layer ESI coating with Zn(R)   | A 4.16                                | deformation minimization)   |  |  |
| PVC/PVC-combined coatings with any thickness AK-coatings or AY-Hydro-coatings with thicknesses of more than 120 µm | n/a                                   | Loss of preload force > 30 %.  Not suitable for components in preloaded connections       |  |  |

a Suitability for friction surfaces see Table 17

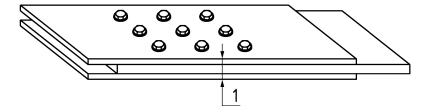
#### I.2 Test procedure

For coatings/coating systems not listed in Table I.1, or if more than two coated components are pressed together, procedure tests should be conducted to evaluate the potential loss of preloading.

If more than three plies or coated shims are used the potential loss may be assessed based from Table I.1 considering the total number of coated surfaces included in the preloaded connection.

The following procedure is proposed:

a) Test specimens should be 2 plies 170 mm x 170 mm x 10 mm and 1 plie 170 mm x 170 mm x 20 mm with 9 evenly spaced through-holes of 18 mm diameter;



#### Key

1 clamped length

Figure I.1 — Example of test specimen

b In Category B, C and E bolted connections according to EN 1993–1-8 it may be necessary to conduct the structural design with 0,9  $F_{p,C}$  or (in case of the torque method) to re-tighten the bolts after a couple of days

- b) The test plies shall be coated with the coating system on both sides;
- c) The plies should be fastened together using 9 preloaded M16  $\times$  70 mm bolt/nut/washer assemblies that are hot dip galvanized according to EN ISO 10684;
- d) The fasteners should be preloaded according to the relevant method given in 8.5;
- e) The loss of preload should be assessed based on the change in length of the clamped length of the bolted assembly over a period of at least 30 days.

The test results should be documented.

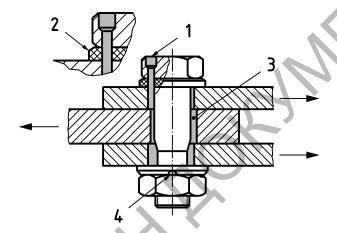
# **Annex J** (informative)

## **Resin injection bolts**

#### J.1 General

This Annex provides information on the supply and use of resin injection bolts.

Injection bolts may be used as non-preloaded or preloaded bolts, as specified. Filling of the clearance between the bolt and the inside surface of the hole is carried out by injecting resin through a small hole in the head of the bolt as shown in Figure J.1. After injection and complete curing of the resin, the connection is slip resistant.



#### Key

- 1 injection hole
- 2 chamfered washer
- 3 resin
- 4 air escape groove in the washer

Figure J.1 — Injection bolt in a double lap joint

Injection bolts should be made of materials in accordance with Clause 5 and used in accordance with Clause 8 supplemented by the recommendations in this Annex.

NOTE Detailed information is given in ECCS No 79 [29].

#### J.2 Hole sizes

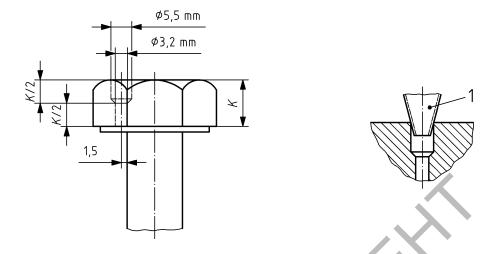
The nominal clearance for bolts in the hole should be 3 mm. For bolts smaller than M27, the clearance may be reduced to the clearance of 2 mm, as specified in 6.6 for normal round holes.

#### J.3 Bolts

The head of the bolt should be provided with a hole having a position and dimensions as specified in Figure J.2.

If other types of nozzle than plastic nozzles are used, the edge may need to be chamfered in order to guarantee sufficient sealing.

Dimensions in millimetres



#### Key

1 nozzle of injection device

Figure J.2 — Hole in the head of the bolt

## J.4 Washers

Under the bolt head, a special washer should be used. The inner diameter of this washer should be at least 0,5 mm larger than the actual diameter of the bolt. One side should be machined according to Figure J.3 a) or J.3 b) in which the dimensions are in mm.

Dimensions in millimetres

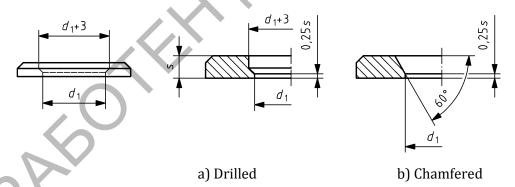
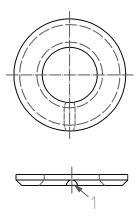


Figure J.3 — Preparation of the washer for use under the bolt head

The washer under the bolt head should be positioned with the rebate towards the bolt head.

Under the nut, a special washer provided with a groove according to Figure J.4 should be used. The edges of the groove should be smooth and rounded.

The washer under the nut should be positioned with the groove towards the nut.



#### Kev

1 groove

Figure J.4 — Preparation of the washer for use under the nut

#### J.5 Nuts

The nuts may be assumed to be sufficiently secured by the resin.

### J.6 Resin

A two-component resin should be used.

After the mixing of the two components, the mass should have such a viscosity, at the ambient temperature during installation, that the narrow spaces in the bolted connection will be filled easily. However, the flowing of the mass should stop after the injection pressure has been removed.

The potlife of the resin should be at least 15 min at the ambient temperature.

If there are no data available, procedure tests should be carried out to determine the appropriate temperature and curing time.

The design bearing strength of the resin should be determined similar to the procedure for the determination of the slip factor as specified in Annex G.

### J.7 Tightening

Tightening of the bolts in accordance with Clause 8 should be carried out before starting the injection procedure.

## J.8 Installation

The installation should be carried out in accordance with the recommendations given by the product manufacturer.

The temperature of the resin should be between 15°C and 25°C. In very cold weather the resin and if necessary, the steel components should be preheated. If the temperature is too high, modelling clay may be used to close the hole in the head and the groove in the washer immediately after injection.

The connection should be free from water at the time of injection.

NOTE 1 To get rid of the water one day of dry weather is generally necessary before starting the injection procedure.

The curing time should be such that the resin is cured before the structure is loaded.

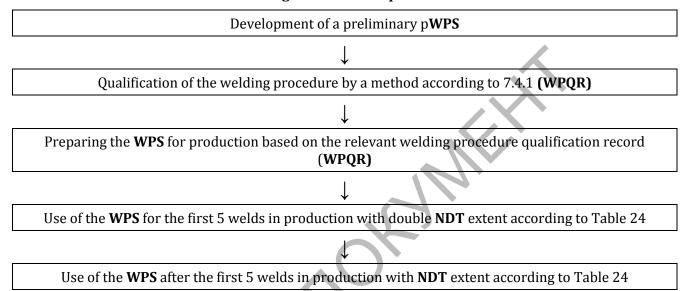
Heating after injection is permitted in order to reduce the curing time, if necessary.

NOTE 2 In some cases e.g. the repair of railway bridges, this time can be rather short. To reduce the curing time (to about 5 h) the connection may be heated to a maximum of 50°C after the potlife has passed.

## **Annex K** (informative)

## Guide to flow diagram for development and use of a WPS

Table K.1 — Flow diagram for development and use of a WPS



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# Annex L (informative)

## Guidance on the selection of weld inspection classes

#### L.1General

Specification of EXC may not always be sufficient alone for the differentiation of the acceptance criteria and the extent of inspection for welds /details of different importance or criticality. This may result in the following:

- a) the acceptance criteria may become too onerous for welds that are not important;
- b) the extent of specified inspection may become too large for welds that are not important;
- c) the specified inspection may miss the critical locations.

Weld inspection class (WIC) is a tool to direct the scope and percentage extent of supplementary testing according to the criticality of the weld. This may be beneficial both from a safety aspect and from an economic point of view as unnecessary inspection and repair may be avoided.

The initial choice of WIC should take into account the likelihood that defects would arise for particular weld configurations (e.g. welds to be executed in difficult conditions such as overhead welds or site welds). Subsequently, the WIC may be reduced or re-instated based on experience in production. This experience should be reviewed separately for each welding process and production location.

#### L.2Selection criteria

If weld inspection classes are to be used then the selection of weld inspection class should be made in accordance with Table L.1, which is based on the following criteria for selection:

- a) utilization for fatigue;
- b) **consequence** of failure of weld for the structure;
- c) direction, type and level of **stresses**.

Table L.1 — Selection of weld inspection class

| Level of<br>fatigue<br>utilization <sup>a</sup>  | Consequences<br>from failure of<br>joint or<br>component <sup>c</sup> | Stress in weld <sup>b</sup>  | Weld<br>Inspection<br>Class<br>(WIC) |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Substantial <sup>b</sup>                         |   | Welds with the direction of dominating dynamic principal stress transverse to the weld (between 45 $^{\rm 0}$ and 135 $^{\rm 0})$        | WIC5                                 |
|  |   | Welds with the direction of dominating dynamic principal stress in the direction of the weld (between – $45^{0}$ and $+45^{0}$ )         | WIC4                                 |
|  | Not<br>substantial <sup>c</sup>                                       | WIC3   |                                      |
|  |   | Welds with the direction of dominating dynamic principal stress in the direction of the weld (between – $45^{\rm 0}$ and $+45^{\rm 0}$ ) | WIC2                                 |
| No fatigue                                       | Substantial <sup>b</sup>  | Welds with high <sup>d</sup> tensile stresses transverse to weld   | WIC5                                 |
| (i.e. quasi-<br>static) or<br><b>Low</b> fatigue |   | Welds with low tensile stresses transverse to weld and/or high <sup>d</sup> shear stresses   | WIC4                                 |
| utilization                                      | Not<br>substantial <sup>c</sup>                                       | For welds in EXC3 or EXC4 with high <sup>d</sup> tensile stresses transverse to weld   | WIC3                                 |
|  |   | All other load-bearing welds except welds in EXC1  | WIC2                                 |
|  |   | Welds in EXC1 and non-load-bearing welds   | WIC1                                 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Low fatigue utilization means connection with calculated fatigue life longer than 4 times the required fatigue life.

- possible multiple loss of human life; and/or;
- significant pollution; and/or;
- major financial consequences.

## L.3Extent of supplementary testing

Table L.2 specifies the extent and method of supplementary testing related to weld inspection classes.

b Substantial consequences means that the failure of the joint or member will entail:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> The consequences may be assessed as Not substantial if the structure has been provided with sufficient residual strength to meet specified accidental actions.

d High stresses are those that exceed 50 % of the welds tensile or shear capacity, as appropriate. Low stresses conversely.

 ${\bf Table~L.2-Extent~of~supplementary~testing~according~to~WIC}$ 

| Weld Inspection<br>Class (WIC) | Type of joint   | RT | UT  | МТ  |
|--------------------------------|---|----|-----|-----|
| WIC5                           | Full penetration in-line butt weld                                  | 10 | 100 | 100 |
|                                | Full penetration T-butt weld  | 0  | 100 | 100 |
|                                | Partial penetration welds with penetration depth greater than 12 mm | 0  | 20  | 100 |
|                                | Other partial penetration welds and all fillet welds                | 0  | 0   | 100 |
| WIC4                           | Full penetration in-line butt weld                                  | 5  | 50  | 100 |
|                                | Full penetration T-butt weld  | 0  | 50  | 100 |
|                                | Partial penetration welds with penetration depth greater than 12 mm | 0  | 10  | 100 |
|                                | Other partial penetration welds and all fillet welds                | 0  | 0   | 100 |
| WIC3                           | Full penetration in-line butt weld                                  | 0  | 20  | 20  |
|                                | Full penetration T-butt weld  | 0  | 20  | 20  |
|                                | Partial penetration welds with penetration depth greater than 12 mm | 0  | 5   | 20  |
|                                | Other partial penetration welds and all fillet welds                | 0  | 0   | 20  |
| WIC2                           | Full penetration in-line butt weld                                  | 0  | 10  | 10  |
|                                | Full penetration T-butt weld  | 0  | 10  | 10  |
|                                | Partial penetration welds with penetration depth greater than 12 mm | 0  | 5   | 5   |
|                                | Other partial penetration welds and all fillet welds                | 0  | 0   | 5   |
| WIC1                           | All joint types   | 0  | 0   | 0   |

## Annex M

(normative)

## Sequential method for fasteners inspection

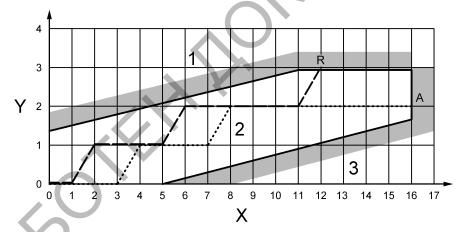
#### M.1 General

The sequential method for fasteners inspection shall be carried out according to the principles in ISO 2859-5, the purpose of which being to give rules based on progressive determination of inspection results.

ISO 2859-5 gives two methods for establishing sequential sampling plans: numerical method and graphic method. The graphic method is applied for fasteners inspection.

In the graphic method (see Figure M.1), the horizontal axis is the number of fasteners inspected and the vertical axis the number of defective fasteners.

The lines on the graph define three zones: the acceptance zone, the rejection zone and the indecision zone. As long as the inspection result is in the indecision zone, the inspection is continued until the cumulative plot emerges into either the acceptance zone or the rejection zone. Acceptance means that no further sample inspection is required. Two examples are given below.



#### Key **EXAMPLES:** number of fasteners inspected X DotDashed line: The 2nd, 6th and 12th fasteners were found Y number of defective fasteners defective. Exit from the indecision zone is into the rejection zone. The result is "rejection" 1 rejection zone Dashed line: The 4th and 8th fasteners were found 2 indecision zone defective. Inspection was continued until crossing the vertical curtailment line. The 3 acceptance zone result is "acceptance"

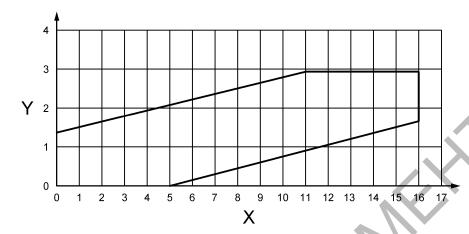
Figure M.1 — Example of sequential inspection diagram

## **M.2 Application**

The following diagrams, Figure M.2 (sequential type A) and Figure M.3 (sequential type B) apply as relevant.

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- a) Sequential type A:
  - 1) minimum number of fasteners to be inspected: 5
  - 2) maximum number of fasteners to be inspected: 16

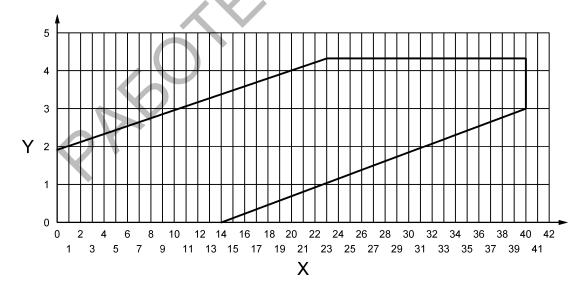


#### Key

- X number of fasteners inspected
- Y number of defective fasteners

Figure M.2 — Sequential type A diagram

- b) Sequential type B:
  - 1) minimum number of fasteners to be inspected: 14
  - 2) maximum number of fasteners to be inspected: 40



#### Key

- X number of fasteners inspected
- Y number of defective fasteners

Figure M.3 — Sequential type B diagram

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