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Introduction

Horological functional jewels, by stabilizing friction and reducing wear, contribute to the quality and longevity of the timekeeping instruments comprising mobile parts. Thus, the number of functional jewels of a timekeeper is a sign of quality. The watch manufacturers use this fact to promote their products and some watch-importing countries use it as a basis for defining custom duties.

The extent of these stakes led to the creation of ISO 1112, in order to specify what are horological functional jewels.