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Engins de terrassement — Visibilité du conducteur — Méthode d'essai et critères de performance



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### Foreword

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#### Introduction

The purpose of this International Standard is to address operator's visibility in such a manner that the operator can see around the machine to enable proper, effective and safe operation that can be quantified in objective engineering terms. This International Standard includes a test method that uses two lights placed at the location of the operator's eyes. The maskings due to the machine, its components and attachments are determined around the machine, on a boundary line 1 m away from the smallest rectangle that encompasses the machine and on the visibility test circle. The radius of the circle is 12 m. The method used doesn't capture all of the aspects of operator's visibility, but provides information to assist in determining the acceptability of visibility from the machines. Criteria are included in this International Standard to provide guidance for designers as to the extent of visibility maskings that are acceptable.

Because of the operator's capability and the operation mode of the machines, the test method divides the area around the machine into six sectors: the front (sector A), to the front sides (sectors B and C), to the rear sides (sectors D and E), and to the rear (sector F).

For each of the sectors, the operator has physical characteristics that are considered. Besides the eye spacing of 65 mm (the nominal binocular eye spacing of the 50th percentile operator), additional adjustments can be made considering that the operator has the capability to turn the head and move the body torso side to side. This allows the range of eye spacing to be enlarged up to 405 mm for the sectors A, B and C. For the sectors D, E and F, the turning of the operator's head and the rotation of the body torso are restricted by the physical aspects for seated operator. Thus, the maximum achievable eye spacing is 205 mm for sectors D, E, and F. For certain machine types, the eye spacings used are less than the maximum permitted values based on the ergonomics of the operator. This is done to maintain the current state-of-the-art of machines.

The established visibility performance criteria are based on the physical aspects of the human operators and ground personnel using various representative dimensions and the design of machines that have provided acceptable visibility. To establish the visibility criteria, a combination of the eye spacings and masking widths are used. Multiple maskings in sectors are acceptable where there is adequate spacing between the individual maskings.

Where the direct visibility is considered inadequate, additional devices for indirect visibility [mirrors or closedcircuit television cameras (CCTV)], can be used to achieve acceptable visibility. For the rectangular 1 m boundary (RB) additional devices for indirect visibility (mirrors or CCTV) are preferred. Other aids (see ISO 16001) can be used exceptionally.

Jobsite organization can be an additional effective measure to compensate for remaining visibility maskings.