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Foreword

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Australia	France	Poland
Belgium	India	Romania
Chile	Ireland	Sweden
Czechoslovakia	Netherlands	United Kingdom
Finland	Norway	USSR

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This International Standard is based on the work carried out by "Section II — Continuous handling" of the European Mechanical Handling Confederation (FEM).

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1 Scope

This International Standard establishes a method for the calculation of drive power of screw conveyors.

2 Field of application

This International Standard only applies to a screw conveyor, used in a horizontal or inclined position (up to approximately 20°), for a regular, controlled and continual supply of the bulk materials.

Excluded from this International Standard are the special screws for the following special uses :

- extracting screws
- calibrating screws
- mixing screws
- moistening screws
- inclined screw (above 20°)
- vertical screws

3 Reference

ISO 2148, *Continuous mechanical handling equipment — Nomenclature.*

4 Comments

The necessary drive power and the rate of flow of the material which may be reached by a screw conveyor are interdependent.

Nevertheless, they also depend upon the operating conditions, the nature of the product conveyed and the design parameters, the most important of which are considered in this International Standard which describes a relatively easy design method and therefore only reaches a limited accuracy which is however quite sufficient in most cases.

A large number of less important parameters are not taken into account in the following formulae. Numerous factors in the formulae are empirical and result from long practical experience.

5 Symbols and units

Symbol	Designation	Units
A	Working section of screw conveyor	m ²
D	Nominal screw diameter	m
F_H	Main resistances	N
F_N	Secondary resistances	N
F_{St}	Resistances due to inclination	N
g	Acceleration due to gravity	m/s ²
H	Lifting height	m
I_M	Mass flow rate	t/h
I_V	Volume flow rate	m ³ /h
L	Conveying length	m
n	Number of screw r.p.m.	r/min
P	Total power	kW
P_H	Power for material progress	kW
P_N	Power when operating at no load	kW
P_{St}	Power due to inclination	kW
S	Screw pitch	m
v	Linear speed of material movement	m/s
φ	Trough filling coefficient	—
ρ	Density of bulk material	t/m ³
λ	Progress resistance coefficient	—

6 Calculation of the capacity of a screw conveyor

The nominal capacity to be considered is the capacity per hour of the maximum volume that may be reached by a screw conveyor.

The volume flow rate I_V is the product of :

the working section of the screw conveyor $A = \varphi D^2 \frac{\pi}{4}$ in square metres

by the conveying speed, $v = S \frac{n}{60}$ in metres per second

from which results the equation :

$$I_V = 60 \varphi \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 S n$$