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- addition of a test for the durability of marking;
- application of conformity assessment for products having completed the production phase, according to IEC 61318:2007 (Ed. 3).

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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## INTRODUCTION

The requirements provided in this standard are essential requirements. Each user of this standard may supplement it with their own requirements. These will cover, for example, required mechanical performance and conditions of interchangeability with equipment already in service. In such cases, caution should be taken to maintain or improve the performance of the products.

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## **LIVE WORKING – SADDLES, STICK CLAMPS AND THEIR ACCESSORIES**

### **1 Scope**

This International Standard is applicable to saddles, stick clamps and their accessories, used for live working.

The products designed and manufactured according to this standard contribute to the safety of the users provided they are used by skilled persons, in accordance with safe methods of work and the instructions for use.

### **2 Normative references**

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

IEC 60417, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment*

IEC 61318:2007, *Live working – Conformity assessment applicable to tools, devices and equipment*

IEC 61477, *Live working – Minimum requirements for the utilization of tools, devices and equipment*

### **3 Terms, definitions and symbols**

#### **3.1 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 61318 and the following apply.

##### **3.1.1**

##### **accessory**

supplemental metal device used with saddles and stick clamps to carry out the live work

##### **3.1.2**

##### **family of devices**

devices which have the same function (utilization, use, etc.)

##### **3.1.3**

##### **rated value**

value of a quantity used for specification purposes, established for a specified set of operating conditions of a component, device, equipment, or system

[IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-16-08]

##### **3.1.4**

##### **saddle**

metal device fixed to a pole, cross-arm or tower and used with a stick clamp to hold or guide support sticks and other equipment

[IEC 60743:2008, 10.3.1 and IEC 60050-651:1999, 651-09-06, modified]

### 3.1.5

#### **stick clamp**

metal device used with a stick or saddle to hold or guide a support stick

[IEC 60743:2008, 10.3.6, modified]

### 3.1.6

#### **type of device**

devices which have the same design and application and are of similar dimensions

## 3.2 Symbols

$T_N$  rated torque given by the manufacturer for a device or a part of a device and for testing purposes

$F_{TN}$  rated tensile force given by the manufacturer for a device or a part of a device and for testing purposes

$F_{BN}$  rated bending force given by the manufacturer for a device or a part of a device and for testing purposes

$F_{GN}$  rated slippage force given by the manufacturer for a device and for testing purposes

## 4 Requirements

### 4.1 General

The following requirements have been prepared in order that the saddles, stick clamps and their accessories covered by this standard are designed and manufactured to contribute to the safety of the users, provided they are used by persons skilled for live working, in accordance with safe methods of work and the instructions for use.

NOTE Appropriate measures should be taken to minimize the weight and size of the equipment to optimize handling.

### 4.2 Dimensional requirements

For each type of device, the manufacturer shall indicate the dimensions or operating ranges related to the specific functions of the device, in particular the dimensions of acceptable supports for the saddles, and the specified diameters of acceptable tubes and rods for stick clamps shall be indicated.

### 4.3 Mechanical requirements

For each type of device, the manufacturer shall give the rated values as outlined in Table 1.

**Table 1 – Mechanical ratings for each type of device**

Type of device	Rated values			
	Bending $F_{BN}$	Tensile $F_{TN}$	Torque $T_N$	Slippage $F_{GN}$
Chain (strap) binder		- Whole device - Locking device	Tightening device	
Ring saddle with rigid bracket	- Whole device - Locking device	Chain (strap) and locking device		
Ring saddle with chain bracket	Locking device	- Whole device - Chain (strap) and locking device	Tightening device	
Lift-type saddle	- Whole device - Locking device	- Chain (strap) and locking device - Shackle		
Pole-type saddle	- Whole device <sup>a</sup> - Locking device	Chain (strap) and locking device		
Saddle extension	Whole device			
Tower-type saddle	Whole device <sup>a</sup>		Mounting bolts	
Crossarm-type saddle	Whole device <sup>a</sup>		Mounting bolts	
Block saddle	Whole device			
Tower-arm yoke	Whole device		Mounting bolts	
Platform pivot attachment	Whole device			
Saddles and accessories for hydraulic tension puller	- Saddle for triangular yoke - Saddle for rectangular yoke - Insulating rope gin	- Assembly - Tenon extension - Block anchoring point		
Stick clamp	Whole device	Assembly <sup>b</sup>	Mounting bolts	Whole device
Rigid support-stick stirrup	Whole device			Whole device
Swivel support-stick stirrup		Whole device		Whole device
Offset eye	Whole device			
<sup>a</sup> The manufacturer shall give the values $F_{BN}$ for these devices with and without saddle extension.				
<sup>b</sup> Applicable to stick clamps designed to be coupled.				

#### 4.4 Protection against corrosion

Metallic parts shall be protected against corrosion, either by their composition or by a suitable surface treatment.

For each type of device, the manufacturer shall demonstrate that the metallic parts are corrosion resistant.

#### 4.5 Marking

Each device shall be marked with the following permanent items of marking:

- manufacturer's name or trade mark;
- type reference;
- year and, if possible, month of manufacture;
- rating (or capacity if requested by the customer);