Precise form measurement
Geometrical tolerancing in practice
Tolerance frame

Datum letter
Tolerance value in mm
Symbol for the tolerated characteristic
Indicating arrow
Toleranced element

Toleranced elements

Indicating arrow to contour line or subsidiary line (offset from dimension line): if the tolerance refers to the line or area.

Indicating arrow as an extension of the dimension line: if the tolerance applies for the axis or median plane or a point of the element.

Datums

Datum triangle with datum letters
on the contour line of the element or on the subsidiary line:
if the displayed datum is a line or area.

as an extension of the dimension line: if the datum is the axis, the median plane or an appropriately dimensioned point.

A filled in or empty datum triangle has the same meaning.

Restriction of the datum to an area of the element as a dot-dash line with dimensioning.
Form tolerances according to ISO 1101

- **Straightness**
  The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel lines at a distance $t$ apart. Every envelope line of the toleranced cylinder must be between these two parallel lines.

- **Roundness**
  The tolerance zone is limited by two concentric circles at a distance $t$ apart. The circumference line of the toleranced cylinder must be within a circle ring of the zone width $t$, in every radial section plane.

- **Flatness**
  The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel planes at a distance $t$ apart, the dimensions of which correspond to those of the toleranced area. The real workpiece area must be between the two parallel planes at distance $t$ apart.

- **Cylindricity**
  The tolerance zone for the cylinder envelope area limits the deviation of the roundness, the straightness of the envelope line and the parallelism of the envelope line to the cylinder axis. It is formed by two coaxial cylinders with the radial distance $t$. 

**Example**
- Every envelope line of the toleranced cylinder surface must be between two parallel lines at a distance apart of 0.1.
- The circumference line of the toleranced cylinder must be within a circle ring of the zone width 0.1 in every radial section plane.
- The real workpiece area must be between two parallel planes at a distance apart of 0.2.
- The tolerated cylindrical area must be between two coaxial cylinders with a radial distance of 0.1.
Position tolerances according to ISO 1101

Parallelism
The tolerance zone within which the envelope lines of the toleranced cylinder must lie is limited by two parallel lines at a distance t apart which run parallel to the datum plane.

Perpendicularity
The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel planes at a distance t apart, which are perpendicular to the datum axis. The toleranced plane face must be between these two planes.

Angularity
The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel planes at a distance t apart at the nominal angle to the datum axis.

Coaxiality
The tolerance zone is limited by a cylinder of diameter t, the axis of which matches the datum axis. The actual axis of the toleranced element must be within the tolerance zone.
Run-out tolerances according to ISO 1101

Radial run-out

In every radial section plane perpendicular to the surface, the tolerance zone is limited by two concentric circles at a distance $t$ apart, the common center point of which is on the datum axis. The radial run-out tolerance applies generally for a full revolution of the tolerated element around the datum axis.

Example

The circumference line of every radial section plane of the tolerated cylindrical area must be between two concentric circles at a distance apart of 0.1 with their common center point on the datum axis A.

Axial run-out

The tolerance zone is limited in every radial distance of two circles at a distance $t$ apart. The circles are in a cylinder, the axis of which matches the datum axis. The diameter of the cylinder can adopt any value of the diameter of the plane face.

Example

Every circle line of the tolerated area must be between two parallel circle planes at a distance apart of 0.1 with their common center point on the datum axis A.

Total radial run-out

The tolerance zone is limited by two coaxial cylinders at a distance $t$ apart, the axes of which match the datum axis. After several rotations around the datum axis and axial shift of the transducer all points of the tolerated element must be within the tolerance zone.

Example

The tolerated cylindrical area must be between two coaxial cylinders with a radial distance apart of 0.1 with their common axis on the datum axis.

Total axial run-out

The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel planes at a distance $t$ apart, which are perpendicular to the datum (rotational) axis. After several rotations around the datum axis and radial shift of the transducer, all points of the surface of the tolerance plane face must be within the tolerance zone.

Example

The tolerated area must be between two parallel circle planes at a distance apart of 0.1 with their common center point on the datum axis A.
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Evaluation method
Effect and function of different evaluation methods on the roundness evaluation.

MZCI
Minimum Zone Circle
Concentric inner and outer perimeter circles with a minimum radial distance, and which enclose the roundness profile. Individual profile peaks influence the center point considerably. Gives the least possible form error.

LSCI
Least Square Circle
Circle through the roundness profile with minimum sum of profile deviation squares. Individual profile peaks influence the center point only a little. Very suitable for stable datum formation.

MICI
Maximum Inscribed Circle
Maximum circle inscribed in the roundness profile for inside areas. The method is used for form measurement of the inside diameter.

MCCI
Minimum Circumscribed Circle
Minimum circle circumscribing the roundness profile for outside areas. The method is used for form measurement of the outside diameter.
## Filtering method

Definition according to ISO 11562 or ISO 16610-21 for roughness and form measurement.

Filter characteristic: Gaussian amplitude transmission function

Amplitude damping at cut-off λ<sub>c</sub>: 50 %

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**Roundness measurement:** Specification of cut-off in w/r (waves/revolution). The specification is independent of the workpiece diameter.

- Recommended cut-off numbers: 15, 50, 150, 500 w/r
- Conversion of w/r to wavelength: \( \lambda_c = \frac{D \times \pi}{\text{number of cut-offs}} \)

**Straightness measurement:** Specification of cut-off in mm

- Recommended cut-offs: 0.25; 0.8; 2.5; 8.0 mm

## Standards of practical relevance

For measurement of roundness, straightness and flatness

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Filter stages

Filter effect of different cut-off numbers on the roundness result. Gauss filter 50 %.

- **No filter**
  - 1.49 μm
  - $\text{RONt (MZCI)} = 1.49 \, \mu m$

- **Filter 150 W/R**
  - 1.04 μm
  - $\text{RONt (MZCI)} = 1.04 \, \mu m$

- **Filter 50 W/R**
  - 0.91 μm
  - $\text{RONt (MZCI)} = 0.91 \, \mu m$

- **Filter 15 W/R**
  - 0.71 μm
  - $\text{RONt (MZCI)} = 0.71 \, \mu m$
### General Information

Tolerances of form, orientation, location and run-out according to ISO 1101

Standardized tolerance specifications determine tolerance zones within which the tolerated elements (line, area, point, axis, median plane) of the workpiece must lie.

**Form tolerance** refers to the tolerance zone that limits the deviation of a form element from its ideal geometry (straightness, flatness, roundness, cylindricity) and is orientated exclusively to the tolerated element. Only the tolerances for profile any line and profile any surface require theoretically exact dimension specifications and datums.

**Orientation tolerance** refers to a tolerance zone with which the deviation from the general direction (parallelism, perpendicularity, angularity) between the tolerated element and the datum and form deviation of the tolerated element is limited.

**Location tolerance** refers to the tolerance zone which limits the deviation of the tolerated element (position, coaxiality, concentricity, symmetry) from its ideal geometrical location, which must be defined clearly by a datum or a system of datums.

**Run-out tolerance** refers to a tolerance zone which limits the form and position deviations of envelope areas or plane faces in relation to the rotational axis.

### General tolerances according to ISO 2768 part 2

For workpieces produced by cutting

All dimensions in mm

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Tolerance value corresponds to the diameter tolerance or maximum general tolerance for the radial run-out.

Tolerance value corresponds to the maximum value in comparison of the dimension tolerance of the distance dimension with the general tolerance for the straightness or the flatness of the form elements being inspected.