

Precise form measurement

Geometrical tolerancing in practice

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 tolerated cylinder must be between these two parallel lines.

Example
Every envelope line of the tolerated cylinder surface must be between two parallel lines at a distance apart of 0.1.

Roundness
The tolerance zone is limited by two concentric circles at a distance t apart. The circumference line of the tolerated 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 tolerated 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 .

Position tolerances according to ISO 1101

Parallelism
The tolerance zone within which the envelope lines of the tolerated cylinder must lie is limited by two parallel lines that are at a distance t apart, and are parallel to the datum axis.

Perpendicularity
The tolerance zone is limited by two parallel planes at a distance t apart, which are perpendicular to the datum axis. The tolerated 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 tolerated 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.

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.

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.

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.

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. This method 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. This method is 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.

Filter stages

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

No filter
RONt (MZCI) = 1.49 μm

Filter 150 W/R
RONt (MZCI) = 1.04 μm

Filter 50 W/R
RONt (MZCI) = 0.91 μm

Filter 15 W/R
RONt (MZCI) = 0.71 μm

General tolerances according to ISO 2768 part 2

Tolerance class H		> 10	> 30	> 100	> 300	> 1000
Nominal dimensional range		...10	...30	...100	...300	...1000
		0.02	0.05	0.1	0.2	0.3
			0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
				0.5		
				0.1		

For workpieces produced by cutting

Tolerance class K		> 10	> 30	> 100	> 300	> 1000
Nominal dimensional range		...10	...30	...100	...300	...1000
		0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6
			0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0
				0.6	0.8	1.0
				0.2		

Tolerance class L		> 10	> 30	> 100	> 300	> 1000
Nominal dimensional range		...10	...30	...100	...300	...1000
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.8	1.2
			0.6	1.0	1.5	2.0
				1.0	1.5	2.0
				0.5		

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.

Drawing entries

Tolerance frame

Tolerated 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.

Restriction of the datum to an area of the element as a dot-dash line with dimensioning.

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

Standards of practical relevance

ISO 1101	Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) – Geometrical tolerancing – Tolerances of form, orientation, location and run-out	ISO 12781-1	Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS), Flatness – Part 1 Vocabulary and parameters of flatness
ISO 12180-1	Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS), Cylindricity – Part 1 Vocabulary and parameters of cylindricity	VDI/VDE 2631 Sheet 1	Form measurement – Basic principals of the determination of form and positional deviations
ISO 12181-1	Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS), Roundness – Part 1 Vocabulary and parameters of roundness	VDI/VDE 2631 Sheet 2	Form measurement – Determination of the sensitivity of the signal transmittal chain
ISO 12780-1	Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS), Straightness – Part 1 Vocabulary and parameters of straightness	VDI/VDE 2631 Sheet 3	Form measurement – Filter characteristics and selection