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## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee ME-063, Earthmoving Equipment.

The objective of this document is to specify methods for measuring and calculating the tool forces of earth-moving attachments fitted to hydraulic excavators and the hoe equipment of backhoe loaders. It is applicable to hydraulic excavators and backhoe loaders as defined in ISO 6165.

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## Foreword

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## Earth-moving machinery — Hydraulic excavators and backhoe loaders — Methods of determining tool forces

### 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies methods for measuring and calculating the tool forces of earth-moving attachments fitted to hydraulic excavators and the hoe equipment of backhoe loaders. It is applicable to hydraulic excavators and backhoe loaders as defined in ISO 6165.

### 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.

ISO 6016:1998, *Earth-moving machinery — Methods of measuring the masses of whole machines, their equipment and components*

ISO 6165, *Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Identification and terms and definitions*

ISO 6746-1:2003, *Earth-moving machinery — Definitions of dimensions and codes — Part 1: Base machine*

ISO 7135:1993, *Earth-moving machinery — Hydraulic excavators — Terminology and commercial specifications*

ISO 7451:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Volumetric ratings for hydraulic excavator buckets and backhoe loader buckets*

ISO 7546:1983, *Earth-moving machinery — Loader and front loading excavator buckets — Volumetric ratings*

ISO 9248:1992, *Earth-moving machinery — Units for dimensions, performance and capacities, and their measurement accuracies*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1

##### **tool force**

force generated at the bucket lip or cutting edge, but not at the tips of the teeth, when operating the bucket or arm cylinders independently

#### 3.2

##### **arm cylinder tool force**

force generated at the bucket lip with the arm cylinder positioned to provide a rotating moment around the arm pivot

Note 1 to entry: The bucket lip moves towards the base machine when hoe equipment is used.

#### 3.3

##### **arm cylinder tool force at level crowd**

(shovel equipment) horizontal arm cylinder tool force generated by the arm cylinder at the bucket lip when the bucket's attitude is level and maintained parallel to the ground line and the lip is at the ground line