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Introduction

This Technical Report gives additional guidance to the manufacturer to use ISO 28881 by showing a process of the risk assessment based on type A and B standards.

Some documents (e.g. technical reports, guidelines) have already been published but they usually describe about the risk assessment only for machines or for control systems. Manufacturers need guidance that covers both aspects of machines and control systems.

This Technical Report deals with risk assessment for machine and control jointly, i.e. the result of the risk assessment carried out for significant hazards listed in ISO 28881:2013, Table 1, including the result of risk reduction by the protective measures described in ISO 28881:2013, Clauses 5 and 6 and the process of the selection of PL_r as described in ISO 28881:2013, 5.2, are shown.

This Technical Report, based on the following International Standards, is worked out in cooperation with JMTBA (Japanese Machine Tool Builder Association) and ISO/TC 39/SC 10.

- ISO 28881;
- ISO 12100;
- ISO 13849-1;
- ISO/TR 14121-2.

Machine tools — Practical guidance and example of risk assessment on electro-discharge machines

1 Scope

This Technical Report gives practical guidance on conducting risk assessment for machinery in accordance with ISO 12100, ISO 13849-1, and ISO/TR 14121-2. It describes the method, tools, and examples used to generate ISO 28881, to reduce the risk of potential harm on EDM equipment and EDM systems by persons involved in the design, installation, or modification of machinery (e.g. designers, technicians, safety specialists).

2 Information for the risk assessment

2.1 General

The following points should be considered:

- specifications of the EDM equipment and EDM systems (For example of limits of the machinery, see [Table 1](#));
- type of machinery (For examples, see [Figures 1](#) and [2](#));
- hazards and associated hazardous situations;
- estimated risk for each identified hazard and hazardous situations including intended use and any reasonably foreseeable misuse;
- evaluation of the risk and making decisions about the need for risk reduction.

Eliminate or reduce the risk by means of the three-step method in accordance with ISO 12100:2010, 6.1.

- step 1: inherently safe design measures;
- step 2: safeguarding and/or complementary protective measures;
- step 3: information for use.