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## **Safety of machinery — Emergency stop — Principles for design**

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## Foreword

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ISO 13850 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 199, *Safety of machinery*, and Technical Committee IEC/TC 44, *Safety of machinery — Electrotechnical aspects*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13850:1996), which has been technically revised. Notably, it incorporates the following significant changes:

- a) resetting of the emergency stop command is required to be manual (see 4.1.6);
- b) emergency stop devices are required to use mechanical latching (see 4.4.3).

## Introduction

The structure of safety standards in the field of machinery is as follows.

- a) Type-A standards (basis standards) give basic concepts, principles for design, and general aspects that can be applied to machinery.
- b) Type-B standards (generic safety standards) deal with one or more safety aspect(s) or one or more type(s) of safeguard that can be used across a wide range of machinery:
  - type-B1 standards on particular safety aspects (e.g. safety distances, surface temperature, noise);
  - type-B2 standards on safeguards (e.g. two-hands controls, interlocking devices, pressure sensitive devices, guards).
- c) Type-C standards (machinery safety standards) deal with detailed safety requirements for a particular machine or group of machines.

This International Standard is a type-B2 standard as stated in ISO 12100-1.

When provisions of a type-C standard are different from those which are stated in type-A or type-B standards, the provisions of the type-C standard take precedence over the provisions of the other standards for machines that have been designed and built according to the provisions of the type-C standard.

# Safety of machinery — Emergency stop — Principles for design

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies functional requirements and design principles for the emergency stop function on machinery, independent of the type of energy used to control the function.

It is applicable to all machinery except for:

- machines in which the provision of emergency stop would not lessen the risk;
- hand-held portable machines and hand-guided machines.

It does not deal with functions such as reversal or limitation of motion, deflection, shielding, braking or disconnecting, which can be part of the emergency stop function.

## 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 60204-1:2005 *Safety of machinery — Electrical equipment of machines — Part 1: General requirements*

IEC 60947-5-5:2005, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear — Part 5-5: Control circuit devices and switching elements — Electrical emergency stop device with mechanical latching function*

IEC 60417-DB:2002, *Graphical symbols for use on equipment* (on-line database)