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**EN 15163:2017 (E)****Introduction**

This document has been prepared to be a harmonized standard to provide one means of conforming to the essential health and safety requirements of the Machinery Directive and associated EFTA Regulations.

This document is a type-C standard as stated in EN ISO 12100.

This document is of relevance, in particular, for the following stakeholder groups representing the market players with regard to machinery safety:

- machine manufacturers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- health and safety bodies (regulators, accident prevention organizations, market surveillance, etc.)

Others can be affected by the level of machinery safety achieved with the means of the document by the above-mentioned stakeholder groups:

- machine users/employers (small, medium and large enterprises);
- machine users/employees (e.g. trade unions, organizations for people with special needs);
- service providers, e.g. for maintenance (small, medium and large enterprises);
- consumers (in case of machinery intended for use by consumers).

The above-mentioned stakeholder groups have been given the possibility to participate at the drafting process of this document.

The machinery concerned and the extent to which hazards, hazardous situations or hazardous events are covered are indicated in the scope of this document.

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

## 1 Scope

This European Standard deals with all significant hazards, hazardous situations and events, as listed in Clause 4, which are relevant to diamond wire saws, as defined and listed in Clause 3.

Diamond wire saws may be used in quarries or in sawmill for cutting natural stones (e.g. marble, granite), when they are used as intended and under conditions of misuse which are reasonably foreseeable by the manufacturer (see Clause 4).

This European Standard specifies the appropriate technical measures to eliminate or reduce risks arising from the significant hazards.

This European Standard deals only with diamond wire saws using coated diamond wire as tool.

This European Standard deals all significant hazards that may occur within the expected lifetime of the machinery including the phases of transport, assembly, dismantling, disabling and scrapping.

This European Standard does not deal with the significant hazards arising by the use of other facilities/devices not described in this document, that may be fitted on the machines or that may be used during the work cycle.

This European Standard does not deal with:

- operation under extreme ambient conditions (outside the limits defined in EN 60204-1:2006);
- upstream and downstream conveying elements, not integrated with diamond wire saws, for transporting of the work-pieces.

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EN 207:2017, *Personal eye-protection equipment — Filters and eye-protectors against laser radiation (laser eye-protectors)*

EN 863:1995, *Protective clothing - Mechanical properties - Test method: Puncture resistance*

EN 1005-2:2003+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery - Human physical performance - Part 2: Manual handling of machinery and component parts of machinery*

EN 1005-4:2005+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery - Human physical performance - Part 4: Evaluation of working postures and movements in relation to machinery*

EN 1037:1995+A1:2008, *Safety of machinery - Prevention of unexpected start-up*

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