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## **Foreword**

This document (EN 15949:2012) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 322 "Equipment for making and shaping of metals - Safety requirements", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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## **Introduction**

This document is a type C standard as stated in EN ISO 12100:2010.

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

When provisions of this type C standard are different from those which are stated in type A or B standards, the provisions of this 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 this type C standard.

Where for clarity an example of a preventative measure is given in the text, this should not be considered as the only possible solution. Any other solution leading to the same risk reduction is permissible if an equivalent level of safety is achieved.

This European Standard assumes that the equipment is operated and maintained by trained personnel.



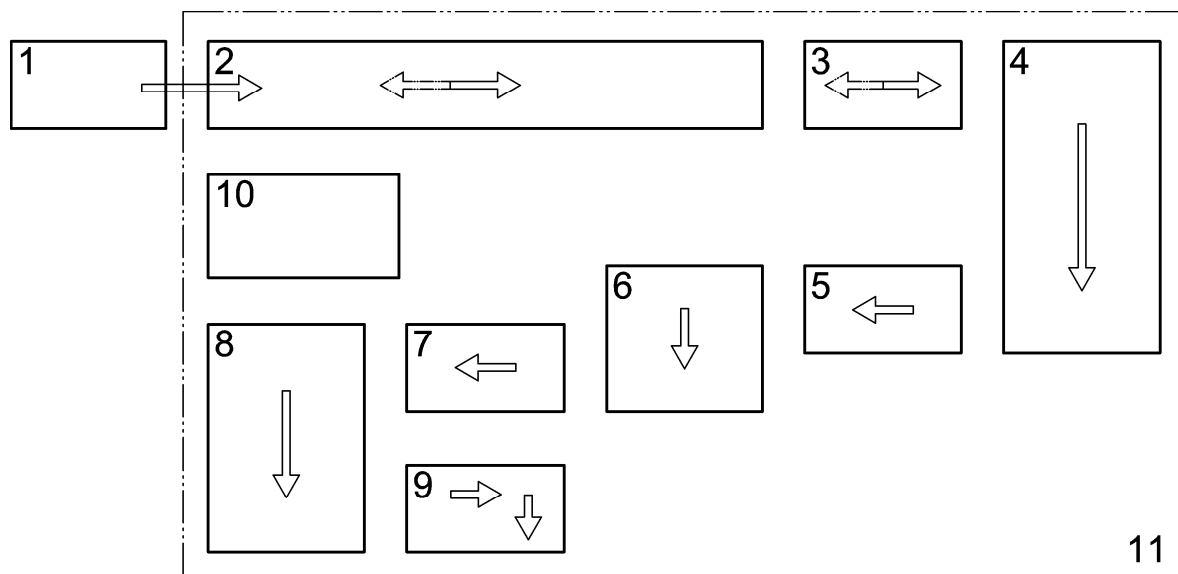
## 1 Scope

This European Standard defines the general safety requirements for hot rolling mills for long products as defined in 3.1.

This European Standard deals with significant hazards, hazardous situations and events relevant to hot rolling mills for long products. It deals not only with circumstances where the machinery is used as intended, but also includes other conditions foreseen by the manufacturer, such as foreseeable faults, malfunctions or misuse (see Clauses 4 and 5).

This applies also to hazards arising during various phases of the life of the machinery and equipment as described in 5.4 of EN ISO 12100:2010.

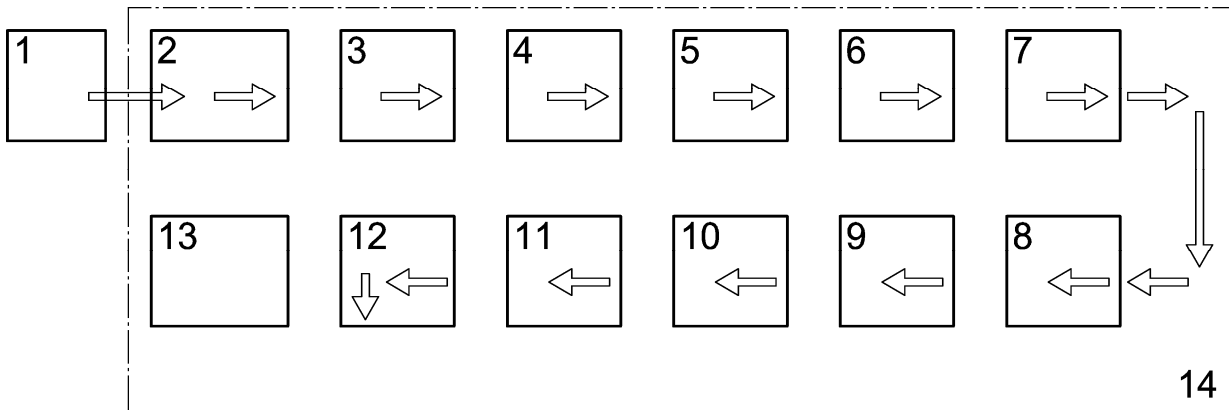
This European standard applies to: Machinery and equipment used for the manufacturing of metal rolled long products from the material supply from (1), via the rolling mill process equipment (2) to (9) including preparation area (10) (exemplary layout is given in Figure 1).




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1	e.g., continuous casting machine (according to EN 14753) or furnace (according to EN 746-1)	7	saws, shears, abrasive cutting machines
2	mill stands	8	piling machine
3	roller tables	9	binding and loading area
4	cooling beds	10	preparation area
5	straightening machines	11	border of the rail / section rolling mill
6	collecting beds	⇒	product flow

**Figure 1 — Exemplary layout of a rail / section rolling mill**



### Key

1	e.g., continuous casting machine (according to EN 14753) or furnace (according to EN 746-1)	8	cooling line
2	roughing mill area	9	laying head
3	intermediate mill area	10	loop cooling conveyor
4	cooling line	11	coil station
5	shearing group	12	coil handling
6	wire rod block	13	preparation area
7	snap shear	14	border of the bar / wire rod mill
			product flow

**Figure 2 — Exemplary layout of a bar / wire rod mill**

The following equipment is excluded:

- a) furnaces in accordance with the EN 746 series;
- b) continuous casting machines according to EN 14753;
- c) hook conveyors according to EN 619;
- d) roll and guide shop equipment (e. g., machine-tool);
- e) storage equipment (e.g., high-bay warehouses);
- f) cranes, fork lifts, trucks and railway trucks and other vehicles.

This document is not applicable to rolling mills for long products, which are manufactured before the date of its publication as an EN document.

## 2 Normative References

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 349, *Safety of machinery — Minimum gaps to avoid crushing of parts of the human body*

EN 614-1:2006+A1:2009, *Safety of machinery — Ergonomic design principles — Part 1: Terminology and general principles*

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