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## **Foreword**

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## Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 6506-2:2005), which has been technically revised.

ISO 6506 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test*:

- *Part 1: Test method*
- *Part 2: Verification and calibration of testing machines*
- *Part 3: Calibration of reference blocks*
- *Part 4: Table of hardness values*

# Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test —

## Part 2: Verification and calibration of testing machines

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 6506 specifies methods of direct and indirect verification of testing machines used for determining Brinell hardness in accordance with ISO 6506-1, and also specifies when these two types of verification has to be performed.

The direct verification involves checking that individual machine performance parameters fall within specified limits whereas the indirect verification utilizes hardness measurements of reference blocks, calibrated in accordance with ISO 6506-3, to check the machine's overall performance.

If a testing machine is also to be used for other methods of hardness testing, it has to be verified independently for each method.

This part of ISO 6506 is applicable to both fixed location and portable hardness testing machines. For machines that are incapable of satisfying the specified force-time profile, the direct verification of force and testing cycle can be modified by the use of [Annex B](#).

### 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.

ISO 376, *Metallic materials — Calibration of force-proving instruments used for the verification of uniaxial testing machines*

ISO 6506-1:2014, *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

ISO 6506-3, *Metallic materials — Brinell hardness test — Part 3: Calibration of reference blocks*

ISO 6507-1, *Metallic materials — Vickers hardness test — Part 1: Test method*

### 3 General conditions

Before a Brinell hardness testing machine is verified, the machine shall be checked to ensure that it is properly set up in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Especially, it should be checked that

- a) the mount holding the ball-holder slides correctly in its guide,
- b) every ball-holder with a ball used during the calibration is firmly held in the mount,
- c) the test force is applied and removed without shock, vibration, or overrun and in such a manner that the readings are not influenced, and
- d) if the indentation diameter measuring system is integrated into the machine,
  - the change from removing the test force to measuring mode does not influence the diameter measurements,

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