

Material samples

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- a) Public document classification inserted
- b) Chapter 4: Deletion of max. unit weight
- c) Chapter 5.1, Table 2, Forms 1a and 3: Unit weight of > 3000 kg for sampling extraction position added
- d) Updated references

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1 Scope

This factory standard applies to all raw and pre-machined steel products purchased from REINTJES.

It contains specifications for the taking and preparation of material samples intended for the testing of mechanical material properties. It also specifies the criteria under which samples may be grouped into test lots.

2 References

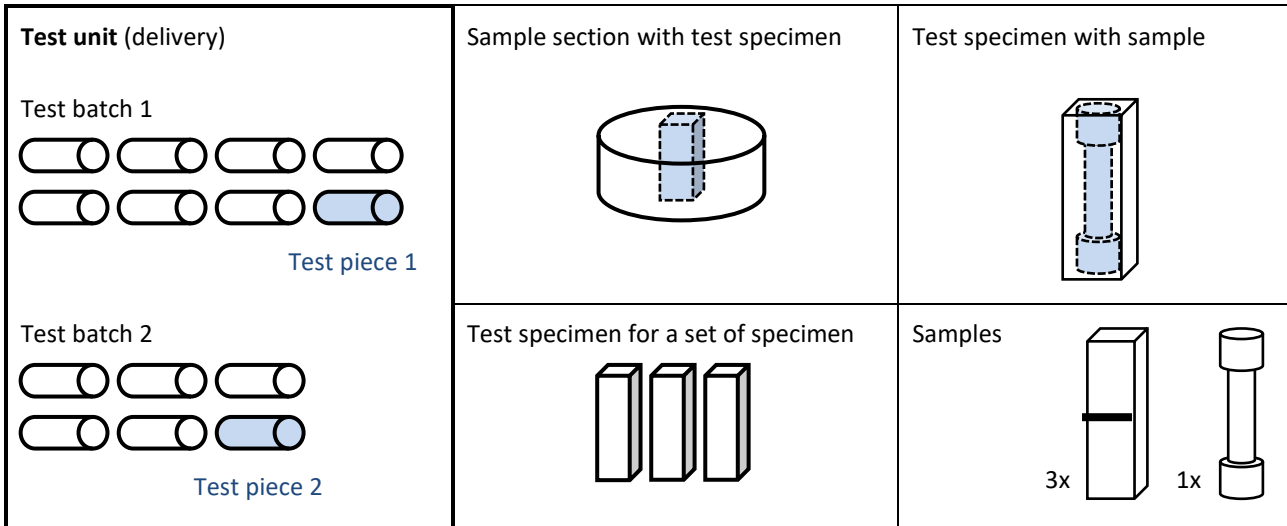
The following documents, cited in part or in whole, shall apply for the use of this standard. In the case of dated references, only the referenced edition applies; in the case of undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including all amendments) applies. The applicable version of the standards listed below shall apply to all contents not covered by this factory standard.

DIN EN ISO 377	Steel and steel products - Location and preparation of samples and test pieces for mechanical testing
DIN EN ISO 3785	Metallic materials - Designation of test specimen axes in relation to product texture
VV-4504	Sawing plan 1/5 Part B, sample production without fixture
VV-6521	Sawing plan >3000 Kg

3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the following terms shall apply:

Sample	Part of a sample section that has been mechanically treated before the production of the samples
Sample section	Sufficient quantity of material taken from the test piece to produce one or more samples The amount of material shall be sufficient to produce at least two sets of specimen. Note 1: Sometimes the sample section may be the test piece.
Set of specimen	Number of samples to perform the required mechanical tests
Test specimen	Part of the sample section with specific dimensions, which is tested processed in the required condition
Test piece	Product (e.g. bar, punched disc, forging blank) selected for testing
Test unit	Number or mass of products accepted or rejected together on the basis of the tests to be carried out on the samples according to the delivery standard or the order (usually the delivery quantity of a product)
Test batch	Number of forgings with similar dimensions (e.g. perforated discs with diameter differences up to $\pm 20\%$) from the same melt and common heat treatment. As a rule, Table 1 applies to the determination of the size of test lots.
Unit weight	Weight of the product to be supplied, excluding cut-offs and back-cuts



4 Test batches

For forgings of shapes 1 to 5 (see Table 2), test batches can be formed for the incoming goods inspection, taking into account the criteria in Table 1, provided that

- the parts have similar dimensions
- originate from one melt and
- have been subjected to a common heat treatment.

Table 1 Criteria for test batches

Heat treatment	+QT (quenched and tempered)
Max. total weight per test batch	3000 kg
Sets of specimen per test batch	2

Residual quantities ≤ 10 % of the number of pieces can be allocated to one test batch.

Example 1: Test unit with 10 parts, unit weight 100 kg:
1 test batch, 2 sets of specimen

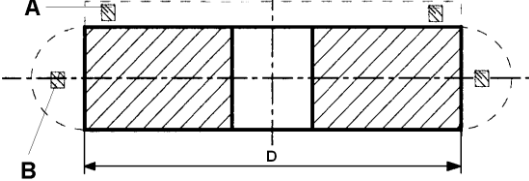
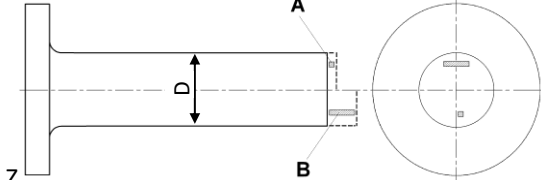
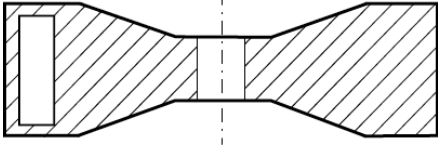
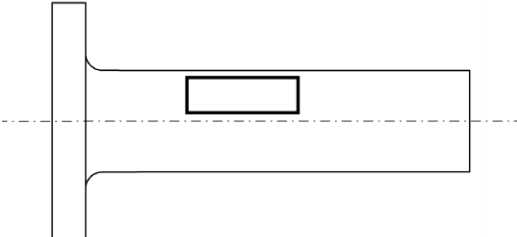
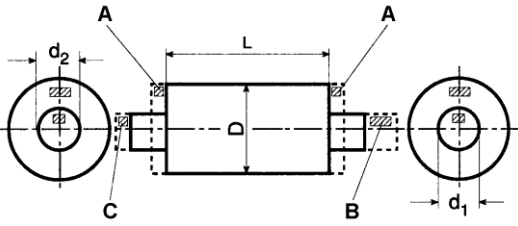
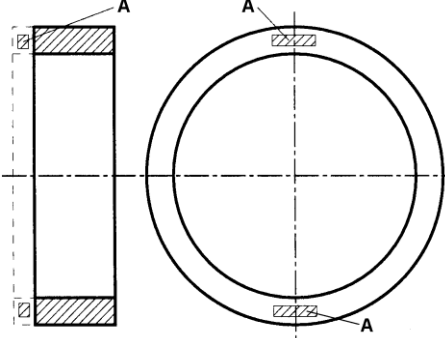
Example 2: Test unit with 10 parts, unit weight 600 kg:
2 test batches, 4 sets of specimen

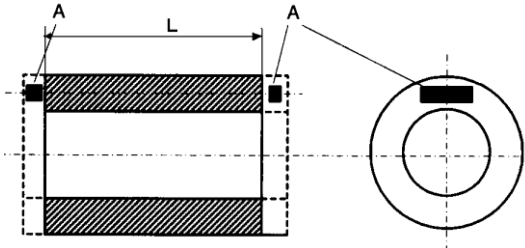

For forgings of shape 6 (see Table 2), the supplier can form test batches for each charge and dimension.

5 Extraction of samples and testing

5.1 Extraction positions

Table 2 Sampling extraction

 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 1: Punched disc</p> <p>D < 2500 mm: Preferably, take sample section for tangential set of specimen A in the tothing area; alternatively, position B is possible</p> <p>D ≥ 2500 mm: 2 opposite sample sections for 2 tangential sets and/or of specimen A</p> <p>> 3000 kg (see also VV-6521)</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 2a: Flanged shaft, free-form forged</p> <p>A = transverse sample, B = longitudinal sample</p> <p>D < 350 mm: take longitudinal sample B</p> <p>D ≥ 350 mm: alternatively take transverse sample A</p> <p>Extraction positions according to Figure 1</p>
<p>alternative extraction positions for drop-forged parts:</p>	
 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 1b: Punched disc, drop-forged</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 2b: Flanged shaft, die-forged</p> <p>take sample sections for tangential samples from an additionally manufactured die shaft; extraction positions according to Figure 1</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 3: Pinion shaft</p> <p>D ≤ 250 mm: Sample section for longitudinal samples B</p> <p>D > 250 mm: Sample section for transverse samples A in the tothing area, sample positions B or C are only permissible if test specimens cannot be manufactured in position A</p> <p>L ≤ 1250 mm: 1 Sample section for transverse set of specimen A</p> <p>L > 1250 mm: 2 opposite sample sections for 2 tangential sets and/or of specimen A</p> <p>> 3000 kg</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 4: Ring, gear bandage</p> <p>D < 2500 mm: Sample section, preferably for tangential sample A or alternatively for longitudinal sample, if necessary from additionally manufactured ring</p> <p>D ≥ 2500 mm: 2 opposite sample sections for 2 tangential samples A</p>

 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 5: Hollow shaft</p> <p>L ≤ 1250 mm: 1 Sample section for tangential sample A L > 1250 mm: 2 opposite sample sections for 2 tangential sets of specimen A</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Form 6: Round bar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Extraction positions according to Figure 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For diameters > 500 mm, material must be taken for transverse samples. For diameters ≤ 500 mm, longitudinal samples must be taken.</p>
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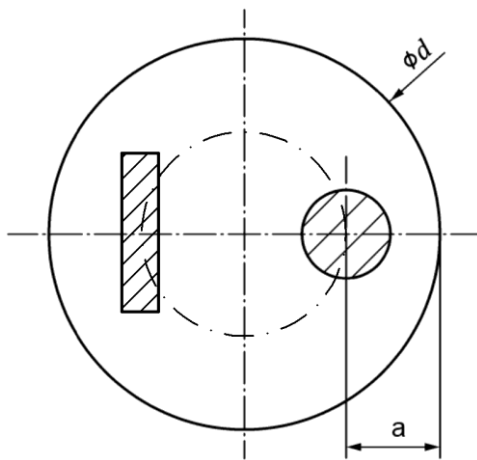


Figure 1

Extraction points for round material

Forged round material

- d ≤ 50 a = d/2
- d > 50 a = d/5, but max. 80

(see also VV-4504)

Unit weight	Extraction of samples
< 3000 kg	at one end face
≥ 3000 kg	at both end faces

The extraction positions for samples for testing the mechanical properties shall be selected according to Table 2, Form 1 to 6, depending on the product or blank shape.

Regularly the sample sections should not be separated from the forging until after final heat treatment. If this is not possible for manufacturing reasons, the forging and the sample section must be heat treated together. It must be ensured that the forging and sample section can be clearly assigned at all times.

5.2 Test specimen and sets of specimen

At least one set of specimens is required to test the mechanical material properties of a test piece. One tensile test sample or two samples for notch impact test can be made from one test specimen.

- Test specimen dimensions: 30 mm x 30 mm x 130 mm
- Test specimens per set of specimen: 3
- Test specimens per set of specimen: 1 tensile test, 3 notched bar impact tests

6 Additional sample material

For parts whose mechanical material properties have to be tested again at REINTJES after final heat treatment or for acceptance, additional sample material is required.

The following applies here:

- ⇒ The respective extraction positions for samples according to table 2 must be observed.
- ⇒ Sample bars and sets of specimen are prepared according to par. 5.2.
- ⇒ The sample material shall be provided in the form of extensions, additional parts or sample sections.
Maximum dimensions for ring segments
 Cross section: 250 mm x 250 mm
 Outer arc length: 500 mm
- ⇒ The provision of finished test specimen is not permitted, since the original sample position must be recognizable for REINTJES (see also illustration in chapter 3).

Table 3 Additional number of specimens sets for material testing

Sample material for	sufficient for (number of sets of specimen)
each punched disc (Form 1)	according to table 2
flanged shafts, die shafts per test batch (Form 2)	2
die-forged parts (Form 1b and 2b)	1
each pinion shaft (Form 3)	2
rings, gear bandages per test batch (Form 4)	outer diameter < 400 mm: 3 outer diameter ≥ 400 mm: 2
hollow shafts per test batch (Form 5)	2
round bars (Form 6)	0 ¹⁾

¹⁾ No additional sample material required unless otherwise stated in the order