

Safety of machinery — Basic concepts, general principles for design — Part 2: Technical principles

1 Scope

This standard defines technical principles to help designers in achieving safety in the design of machinery.

ISO 12100-2 is intended to be used together with ISO 12100-1 when considering the solution to a specific problem. The two parts of ISO 12100 can be used independently of other documents or as a basis for the preparation of other type-A standards or type-B or -C standards.

This standard does not deal with damage to domestic animals, property or the environment.

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 60204-1:1997, *Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines – Part 1: General requirements*.

ISO 12100-1:2003, *Safety of machinery – Basic concepts, general principles for design – Basic terminology, methodology*.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this International Standard, the terms and definitions given in ISO 12100-1:2003 apply.

4 Inherently safe design measures

4.1 General

Inherently safe design measures are the first and most important step in the risk reduction process because protective measures inherent to the characteristics of the machine are likely to remain effective, whereas experience has shown that even well-designed safeguarding may fail or be violated and information for use may not be followed.

Inherently safe design measures are achieved by avoiding hazards or reducing risks by a suitable choice of design features of the machine itself and/or interaction between the exposed persons and the machine.

NOTE Clause 5 gives safeguarding and complementary measures to achieve the risk reduction objectives where inherently safe design measures are not sufficient (see 3-step method in ISO 12100-1:2003, clause 5).