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## Foreword

This document (prEN 12622:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 143 "Machine tools - Safety", the secretariat of which is held by SNV.

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Organisation contributing to the preparation of this European Standard include the European Manufacturer Association CECIMO.

Annexes A , B and H to this standard are normative, where as annexes C to G and ZA are informative.

The European Standards produced by CEN/TC 143 are particular to machine-tools and complement the relevant A and B standards on the subject of general safety (see introduction of EN 292-1: 1991 for a description of A, B and C standards).

This standard also contains a "Bibliography".

PREVIEW  
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## 0 Introduction

This European standard is a type C standard as defined in EN1070:1998.

This European standard has been prepared to be a harmonised standard to provide one means of conforming with the Essential safety requirements of the Machinery Directive and associated EFTA Regulations.

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

In addition press-brakes shall comply as appropriate with EN 292:1991, part 1 and 2 for hazards which are not covered by this standard.

The requirements of this European Standard concern designers, manufacturers, suppliers and importers of machines described in the scope.

This standard also includes information to be provided by the manufacturer to the user.

**"This Standard constitutes a revision of EN 12622:2001 for which it has been technically revised : the main modifications are listed below :**

- complete reorder of clause 5 "Safety requirements and/or measures"
- reference to categories from EN 954-1
- addition to subclause 5.1 on "control systems" of use of electronic components (PES)
- addition of subclause 4.1.8.2 concerning mode selection for production mode
- addition of 5.1.9 "Speed monitoring"
- addition of subclause 5.2.5.5.3 "laser actuated AOPD moving with the beam"
- addition of subclause 5.2.5.5.4 "AOPDDR Scanner systems"
- addition of subclause 5.2.5.5.5 " AOPDDR combined with AOPD"

## 1 Scope

**1.1** This standard specifies technical safety requirements and protective measures to be adopted by persons undertaking the design (as defined in 3.11 of EN 292-1:1991), manufacture and supply of hydraulic press brakes which are designed to work cold metal or material partly of metal and hereafter referred to as machines.

**1.2** This standard also covers hydraulic press brakes, whose primary intended use is the cold working of metal, which are to be used in the same way to work other sheet materials such as cardboard or plastic.

**1.3** The requirements in this standard take account of intended use, as defined in 3.12 of EN 292-1:1991. This standard presumes access to the press brake from all directions, deals with the hazards described in clause 4, and specifies the safety measures for both the operator and other exposed persons.

**1.4** This standard also applies to ancillary devices which are an integral part of the press brake, e.g. back gauges and adjustable front sheet supports. This standard also applies to machines which are integrated into an automatic production line where the hazards and risk arising are comparable to those of machine working separately.

**NOTE** The requirements of this European Standard apply to all presses whatever their method of control, e.g. electromechanical and/ or electronic.

**1.5** This standard does not cover machines whose principal designed purpose is:

- a) sheet folding by rotary action;
- b) tube and pipe bending by rotary action;
- c) roll bending.

Machines covered by this European Standard are listed under A 9 of annex IV of the Machinery Directive.

**1.6** This standard applies to machines built after its date of issue of this standard.

## 2 Normative references

This European standard incorporates, by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references, the latest edition of the publication referred to applies. (including amendments).

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EN 61310-2:1995, *Safety of machinery - Indication, marking and actuation - Part 2: Requirements for marking (IEC 1310-2:1995).*

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## 3 Termes and definitions

### 3.1 Definitions

In addition to the terms and definitions given in EN 292-1:1991, and EN 1070:1998 for the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1.1

##### **beam**

main reciprocating press brake member which normally holds the punch on a down-stroking press brake, and which normally holds the die on an up-stroking press brake

#### 3.1.2

##### **blanking**

feature available for ESPEs using AOPDs in the form of light curtains in which some parts of the sensing field can be deactivated

#### 3.1.3

##### **cycle - automatic**

operating mode where the operating cycle is repeated continuously or intermittently, all functions achieved without manual intervention after initiation



**3.1.4****cycle - operating**

movement completed by the moving part of the tools from the cycle start position (normally the top dead centre) to the bottom dead centre and back to the cycle stop position (normally the top dead centre). The operating cycle includes all operations carried out during this movement.

**3.1.5****cycle - single**

operating mode where each operating cycle of the slide has to be positively actuated by the operator

**3.1.6****dead centres**

points at which the tool, during its travel, is

- either nearest/closest to the die (generally it corresponds to the end of the closing stroke), known as the bottom dead centre (BDC),
- or furthest from the die (generally it corresponds to the end of the opening stroke), known as the top dead centre (TDC)

On an up stroking press brake, the centres are reversed.

**3.1.7****guard locking device**

mechanical device to maintain an interlocking guard gate in the closed and locked position until the risk of injury from the hazardous machine functions has passed

**3.1.8****hydraulic press brake**

mechanical designed or intended to transmit energy to the moving part of the tools by hydraulic means principally for the purpose of bending between narrow forming tools along straight lines (see figure 1)

**3.1.9****limited movement control device - inching device**

control device, the actuation of which permits only a limited amount of travel of a machine element, thus minimising risk as much as possible; further movement is precluded until there is a subsequent and separate actuation of the control. [3.23.8 of EN 292-1:1991]

**3.1.10****monitoring (M)**

safety function which ensures that a safety measure is initiated if the ability of a component or an element to perform its function is diminished, or if the process conditions are changed in such a way that hazards are generated

**3.1.11****muting**

temporary automatic suspension of a safety function(s) by Safety-related parts of the control system during otherwise safe conditions in the operation of a machine. [3.7 of EN 954-1:1996]

**3.1.12****overall system stopping performance; overall response time**

time occurring from actuating the protective device to the cessation of hazardous motion, or to the machine assuming a safe condition

**3.1.13****position switch**

switch which is operated by a moving part of the machine when this part reaches or leaves a predetermined position

**3.1.14****redundancy (R)**

application of more than one device or system, or part of a device or a system, with the objective of ensuring that, in the event of one failing to perform its function, another is available to perform that function. [3.47 of EN 60204-1:1992] (see 3.7.5 of EN 292-2:1991)

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### 3.1.15

#### **restraint valve**

device which protects against a gravity fall of the beam

### 3.1.16

#### **single stroke function**

feature used to limit the motion of the tool to one operating cycle even if the stroke initiating means (e.g. a pedal) is held in the operating position

### 3.1.17

#### **tools**

term for the combination of tool and die

### 3.1.18

#### **up-stroking press brake**

press brake in which the lower tool moves upwards during the closing stroke (reciprocal to a down-stroking press, see figure 1)

### 3.1.19

#### **PES**

system for control, protection or monitoring based on one or more programmable electronic devices, including all elements of the system such as power supplies, sensors and other input devices, data highways and other communication paths, and actuators and other output devices( EN 61508-4:3.3.2)

### 3.1.20

#### **safety PLC**

programmable logic controller dedicated to Safety-related application

### 3.1.21

#### **ESPE**

An assembly of devices and/ or components working together to provide protective tripping or personal presence-sensing at a machine. This assembly comprises a sensing device (AOPD, AOPDDR ), controlling monitoring devices, output devices and all interconnecting wiring.

### 3.1.22

#### **Blanking**

Blanking is a function by which one or more area(s) of the detection zone of an AOPD are rendered inoperative in order that a part of the workpiece or of the machine can project into the detection zone without actuating the protective equipment.

### 3.1.23

#### **passive safety function**

safety function which does not itself initiate any hazardous movement but permits or disables a hazardous movement of the machine if a fault is detected.

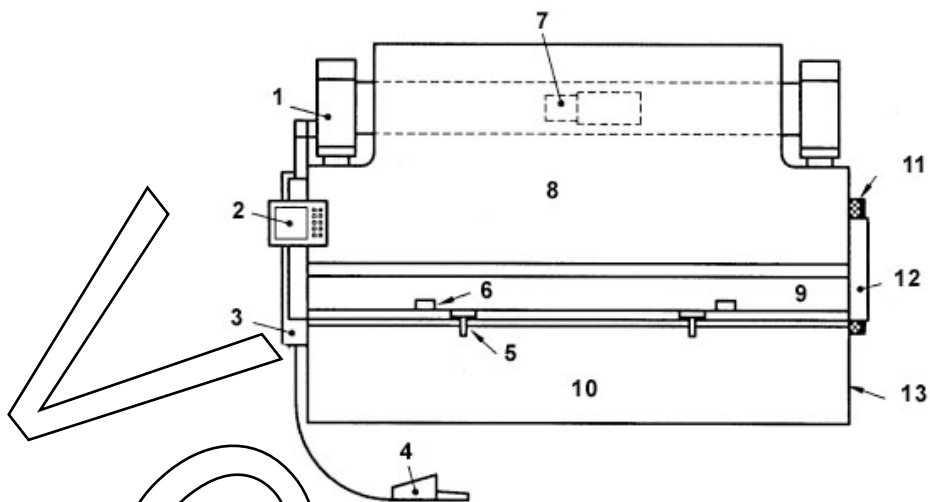


Figure 1 — Example of a down-stroking hydraulic press brake

### Key

1 Press cylinder	6 Backstop	11 Side safeguard
2 Control panel	7 Hydraulic system	12 Light Curtain
3 Electrical Switch Gear Cabinet	8 Beam	13 Frame
4 Foot pedal	9 Tools	
5 Work-piece support		

## 3.2 Abbreviations

### 3.2.1

#### M

Monitoring (see 3.1.10)

### 3.2.2

#### R

Redundancy (see 3.1.14)

### 3.2.3

#### S

single system

### 3.2.4

#### BDC

Bottom Dead Centre (see 3.1.6)

### 3.2.5

#### TDC

Top Dead Centre (see 3.1.6)

### 3.2.6

#### PES

Programmable Electronic System (see 3.1.19)

### 3.2.7

#### AOPD

Active Opto-electronic Protective Device

**3.2.8**

**ESPE**

Electro-sensitive Protective Equipment (see 3.1.21)

**3.2.9**

**NC**

Numerical Control

**3.2.10**

**AOPDDR**

Active Opto-electronic Protective Device responsive to Diffuse Reflection (Scanner)

**3.2.11**

**OSSD (output signal switching device)**

Component of the electro-sensitive protective device (ESPE) connected to the machine control system which, when the sensing device is actuated during normal operation, responds by going to the OFF-state. (EN 61496-1)

**4 List of significant hazards**

This clause contains the significant and other relevant hazards, hazardous situations and events (see EN 1050:1996 ) as far as they are dealt with in this European Standard, identified by risk assessment as significant for the machines as defined in the scope and which require action to eliminate or reduce the risk. This European Standard deals with:

- significant hazards by defining safety requirements and/ or measures or by reference to relevant type B standards;
- hazards which are present but not significant e.g. general, minor or secondary hazards by reference to EN 292-1:1991 and EN 292-2:1991/ A1:1995.

These hazards are listed in table 1 in accordance with annex A of EN 1050:1996.

Particular attention is given to hazards dealing with:

- crushing and shearing between moving tools, slide, back gauges, work-piece supports (see 1 in table 1);
- entanglement on or drawing into moving parts of the machine, guards, motor and drive machinery, mechanical handling device (see 1 in table 1);
- ejection of machine components, tools, work-pieces or parts of them (see 1 in table 1).

Main danger zones are:

- tools area with moving slide, back gauges, work-piece supports, guards,
- mechanical handling device,
- motor and drive machinery.

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