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# Thermal insulating products for building equipment and industrial installations — Determination of dimensions, squareness and linearity of preformed pipe insulation

*Produits isolants thermiques pour les équipements des bâtiments et les installations industrielles — Détermination des dimensions, de l'équerrage et de la linéarité des coquilles isolantes préformées*

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# Foreword

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ISO 12628 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 163, *Thermal performance and energy use in the built environment*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Test and measurement methods*.

ISO 12628 includes the original EN 13467 prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 88 *Thermal insulating materials and products*. However,

—  Subclause 5.3, "conditioning of test specimen",

—  Subclause 6.1, "test conditions", and

—  Clause 9, "test report"

have been modified to reflect conditions for tropical countries.

This International Standard is one of a series of standards which specify test methods for determining dimensions and properties of thermal insulating materials and products. The original EN 13467 supports a series of product standards for thermal insulating materials and products which derive from the Council Directive of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to constructive products (Directive 89/106/EEC) through the consideration of the essential requirements.

This International Standard is one of a series of existing European Standards on test methods for products used to insulate building equipment and industrial installations which is comprised of the following group of International Standards:

| ISO standard | Title | Respective EN standard |
|---|---|---|
| ISO 12623 | *Thermal insulating products for building equipment and industrial installations — Determination of short-term water absorption by partial immersion of preformed pipe insulation* | EN 13472 |
| ISO 12624 | *Thermal insulation products — Determination of trace quantities of water soluble chloride, fluoride, silicate, sodium ions and pH* | EN 13468 |
| ISO 12628 | *Thermal insulating products for building equipment and industrial installations — Determination of dimensions, squareness and linearity of preformed pipe insulation* | EN 13467 |
| ISO 12629 | *Thermal insulating products for building equipment and industrial installations — Determination of water vapour transmission properties of preformed pipe insulation* | EN 13469 |

A further series of existing European Standards on test methods was adopted by ISO. This "package" of standards comprises the following group of interrelated standards:

| ISO standard | Title | Respective EN standard |
|---|---|---|
| ISO 29465 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of length and width* | EN 822 |
| ISO 29466 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of thickness* | EN 823 |
| ISO 29467 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of squareness* | EN 824 |
| ISO 29468 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of flatness* | EN 825 |
| ISO 29469 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of compression behaviour* | EN 826 |
| ISO 29470 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of the apparent density* | EN 1602 |
| ISO 29471 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of dimensional stability under constant normal laboratory conditions (23 degrees C/50 % relative humidity)* | EN 1603 |
| ISO 29472 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of dimensional stability under specified temperature and humidity conditions* | EN 1604 |
| ISO 29764 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of deformation under specified compressive load and temperature conditions* | EN 1605 |
| ISO 29765 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of tensile strength perpendicular to faces* | EN 1607 |
| ISO 29766 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of tensile strength parallel to faces* | EN 1608 |
| ISO 29767 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of short-term water absorption by partial immersion* | EN 1609 |

| ISO standard | Title | Respective EN standard |
|---|---|---|
| ISO 29768 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of linear dimensions of test specimens* | EN 12085 |
| ISO 29769 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of behaviour under point load* | EN 12430 |
| ISO 29770 | *Thermal insulating products for building applications — Determination of thickness for floating-floor insulating products* | EN 12431 |
| ISO 29771 | *Thermal insulating materials for building applications — Determination of organic content* | EN 13820 |
| ISO 29803 | *Thermal insulation products for building applications — Determination of the resistance to impact of external thermal insulation composite systems (ETICS)* | EN 13497 |
| ISO 29804 | *Thermal insulation products for building applications — Determination of the tensile bond strength of the adhesive and of the base coat to the thermal insulation material* | EN 13494 |
| ISO 29805 | *Thermal insulation products for building applications — Determination of the mechanical properties of glass fibre meshes* | EN 13496 |

The Application of Agreement on technical cooperation between ISO and CEN (Vienna Agreement), Modes 1, 2, 4 and 5, was not approved by CEN/TC 88 and the necessity not seen by its stakeholders.

# Thermal insulating products for building equipment and industrial installations — Determination of dimensions, squareness and linearity of preformed pipe insulation

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the equipment and procedures for determining the dimensions, squareness and linearity of preformed pipe insulation, supplied in one piece, half sections or segments. It is applicable to thermal insulating products.

## 2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply (see Figures 1 and 4).

**2.1**
**circumference**
$C$
circular length of the outer surface of the pipe insulation

**2.2**
**outside diameter**
$D_o$
linear distance between two opposite points on the outside surface of the pipe insulation measured across the centre

**2.3**
**inside diameter**
$D_i$
linear distance between two opposite points on the inside surface of the pipe insulation measured across the centre

**2.4**
**length**
$l$
linear dimension measured perpendicularly to the circumference of the pipe insulation

**2.5**
**thickness**
$d$
thickness of the insulation product measured perpendicularly between the outside and the inside surface of the pipe insulation

**2.6**
**deviation from squareness**
$v$
maximum distance between a product, at its end, from a line which just touches the product and which is perpendicular to its major axis

NOTE    See Figure 4.

**2.7**
**deviation from linearity**
$L$
maximum distance between a plane reference surface on which the test specimen rests and the outside surface of the pipe insulation

Dimensions in millimetres
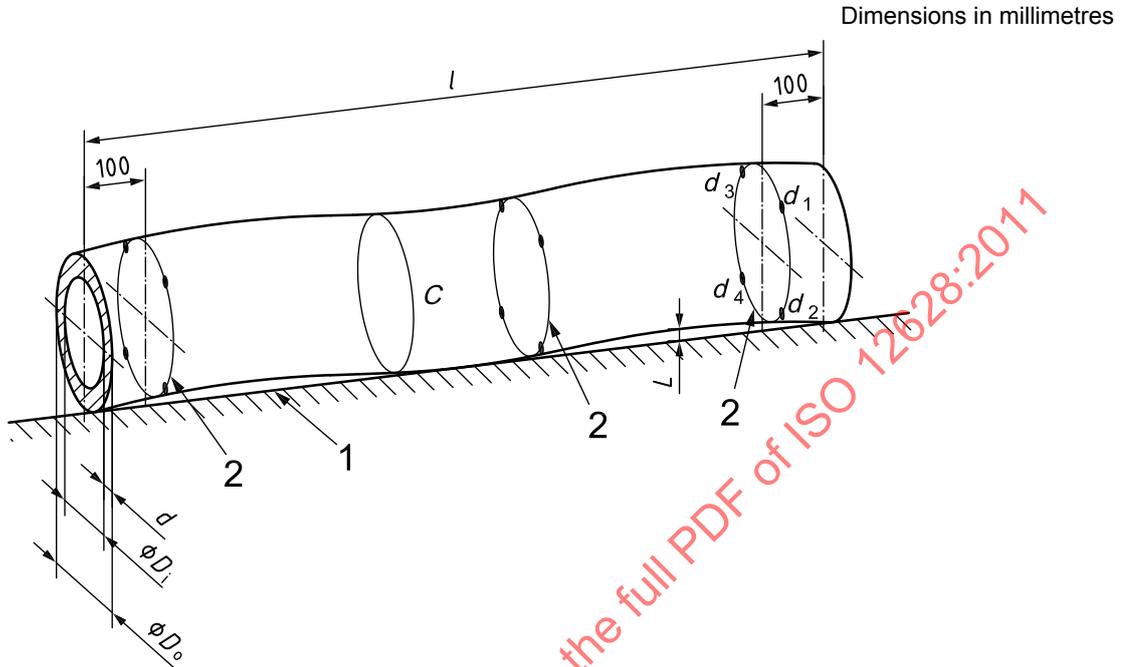


**Key**
1   flat surface
2   locations for measurements (see 6.2.2.3)

**Figure 1 — Illustration of the definitions**

## 3   Principle

Determination of the dimensions, squareness and linearity of a pipe insulation along or at a right angle to its major axis.

## 4   Apparatus

### 4.1   For circumference, outside and inside diameter and thickness

**4.1.1   Metal tape**, graduated in millimetres for measuring circumference and diameter.

Accuracy of reading:

diameter            at least 1 mm,

circumference     at least 3 mm.

**4.1.2   Metal pipe**, for supporting the insulation with an outside diameter which ensures no deformation of the product.

**4.1.3   Rack**, for supporting the metal pipe (see Figure 2).

**4.1.4**    **Thickness gauge**, capable of applying a load of minimum $(0,5 \pm 0,05)$ N to a load distributing plate, diameter 50 mm. The load shall be such that no deformation of the product occurs during measurement.

Accuracy of reading at least 0,5 mm.

**4.1.5**    **Conical mandrel**, graduated in 0,5 mm intervals (see Figure 3).

Accuracy of reading at least 0,5 mm.

**4.1.6**    **Caliper**

Accuracy of reading at least 0,1 mm.

## 4.2    For length

**4.2.1**    **Metal tape**, graduated in millimetres.

Accuracy of reading at least 1 mm.

## 4.3    For deviation from squareness

**4.3.1**    Metal square with limbs at least 500 mm long with a deviation from squareness of not more than $\pm 0,1$ mm when measured at 500 mm from the corners (see Figure 4).

**4.3.2**    **Metal tape**, graduated in millimetres.

Accuracy of reading at least 1 mm.

## 4.4    For deviation from linearity

**4.4.1**    **Flat surface**, on which the test specimen rests.
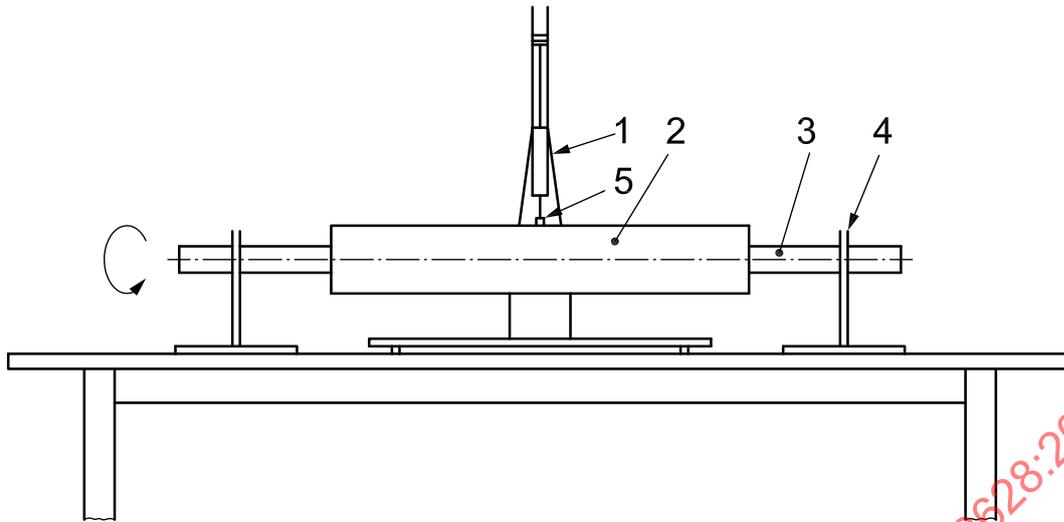
**4.4.2**    **Metal tape**, graduated in millimetres.

Accuracy of reading at least 1 mm.

**4.4.3**    **Thickness gauge**, (wedge shape), graduated in 0,5 mm (see Figure 5).

Accuracy of reading at least 0,5 mm.

NOTE        For all measured dimensions test equipment which provides the same result with at least the same accuracy can be used.

**Key**

1 thickness gauge
2 test specimen
3 metal pipe
4 rack
5 load distribution plate

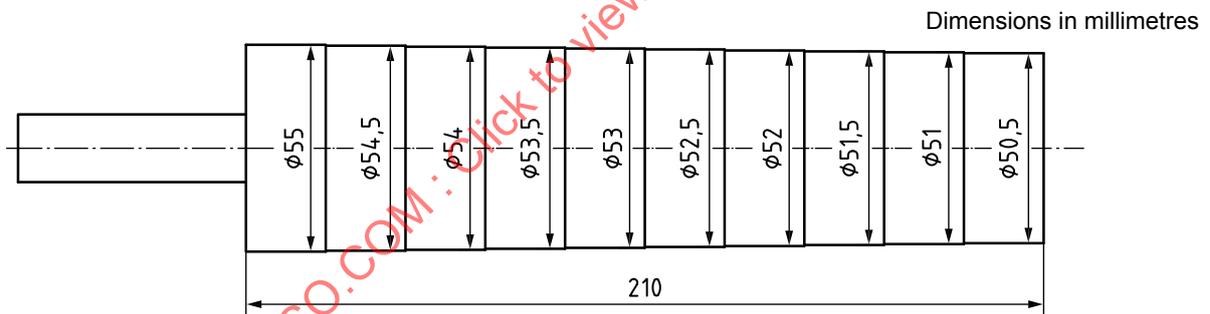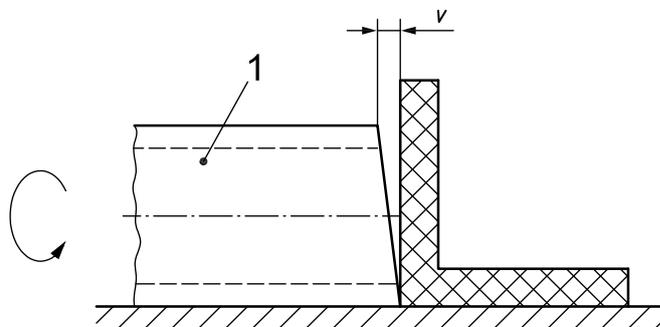**Figure 2 — Example of equipment for thickness measurement with thickness gauge**

Dimensions in millimetres



**Figure 3 — Example of conical mandrel**



**Key**

1 test specimen

**Figure 4 — Principle of measurement of deviation from squareness**
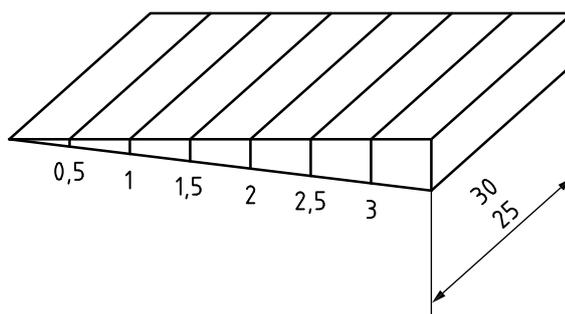
Dimensions in millimetres



**Figure 5 — Thickness gauge (wedge shape)**

## 5 Test specimens

### 5.1 Dimensions of test specimens

The test specimens shall be, wherever possible, the full-size pipe insulation product. The dimensions of the test specimens shall be measured including any surface skins, facings, or coatings on both the inner and the outer surfaces.

NOTE    For the measurement of circumference/outside diameter, inside diameter, and thickness, the test specimen can be divided transversely or longitudinally into several pieces; minimum dimension is 100 mm.

Pipe insulation pieces (half sections or segments), which together form a complete pipe insulation layer, without visual deformation, shall be held in place by adhesive tape to facilitate measurement (see Figure 6).



a)  **Two half sections**                b)  **Segments**

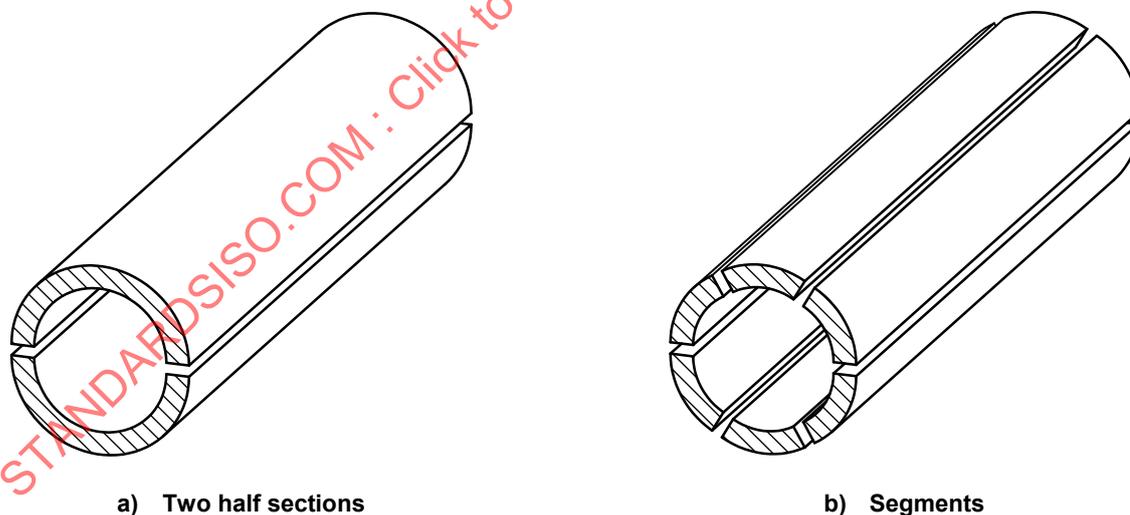**Figure 6 — Examples of pipe insulation pieces**

### 5.2 Number of test specimens

The number of test specimens shall be as specified in the relevant product standard. If the number is not specified, then at least three test specimens shall be used.

NOTE    In the absence of a product standard or any other European technical specification, the number of test specimens can be agreed between parties.

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## 5.3 Conditioning of test specimens

The test specimens shall be stored for at least 6 h at $(23 \pm 5)$ °C. In case of dispute, they shall be stored at $(23 \pm 2)$ °C and $(50 \pm 5)$ % RH (relative humidity) for the time stated in the relevant product standard.

In tropical countries, different conditioning and testing conditions can be relevant. In this case, the conditions shall be $(27 \pm 5)$ °C and $(65 \pm 5)$ % RH, and shall be stated clearly in the test report.

# 6 Procedure

## 6.1 Test conditions

The test shall be carried out at $(23 \pm 5)$ °C. In case of dispute, it shall be carried out at $(23 \pm 2)$ °C and $(50 \pm 5)$ % RH.

In tropical countries, different conditioning and testing conditions can be relevant. In this case, the conditions shall be $(27 \pm 2)$ °C and $(65 \pm 5)$ % RH.

## 6.2 Test procedure

### 6.2.1 General

Determine the thickness, $d$, of the test specimen and its inside and outside diameter, $D_i$ and $D_o$, from one of the following pairs of measurements:

a) outside circumference and inside diameter;

b) inside diameter and outside diameter;

c) inside diameter and thickness;

d) outside diameter and thickness;

e) outside circumference and thickness.

Each set of measurements shall be performed at the same place on the pipe insulation.

NOTE 1    The listed options are not equivalent. Only when thickness itself is measured can an estimate of concentricity be obtained.

For pipe insulation with large inside diameter and small thickness, attention should be paid to the required accuracy. Method c) or d) or e) should be used.

Determine the length, $l$, deviation from squareness, $v$, and deviation from linearity, $L$, in accordance with 6.2.3, 6.2.4 and 6.2.5.

NOTE 2    Determination of deviation from squareness and deviation from linearity are not relevant for all materials or applications.

### 6.2.2 Circumference — Outside diameter, inside diameter, wall thickness

#### 6.2.2.1 General

The appropriate apparatus, described in Clause 4, shall be used for the measurements below.

During the measurement, any longitudinal joints shall be kept close together.

The pipe insulation shall not be visibly deformed due to the measuring process.

Measure pipe insulation, with a length smaller than or equal to 600 mm, at two locations, either at the ends or 100 mm from each end.

Measure pipe insulation, with a length larger than 600 mm, as above with one extra measurement for each additional 400 mm in length evenly distributed along the length, with a maximum of five measurements.

NOTE    The pipe insulation can be cut into smaller pieces at appropriate locations to facilitate measurement.

The reading accuracy of the measurements shall correspond to the accuracy of the apparatus.

### 6.2.2.2    Circumference — Outside diameter

Measure the circumference, $C$, of the test specimen using a metal tape.

Measure the outside diameter, $D_o$, using either a metal tape or a caliper. Each measurement shall consist of two readings at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the test specimen at the selected locations. The readings of the outside diameter shall also be made at right angles to each other.

### 6.2.2.3    Inside diameter

Measure the inside diameter, $D_i$, using either a metal tape or a caliper. Each measurement shall consist of two readings at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the test specimen at the selected locations. The readings of the inside diameter shall also be made at right angles to each other.

Alternatively, the inside diameter may be measured with a conical mandrel moved into position along the major axis of the pipe insulation.

NOTE    For inside diameter greater than 55 mm, the use of a conical mandrel can be impractical.

### 6.2.2.4    Thickness

Measure the thickness, $d$, using either a metal tape, a caliper or a thickness gauge. Each measurement shall consist of four readings at right angles to each other at the selected locations.

When a thickness gauge is used on a metal pipe (see 4.1.2) the pipe insulation shall be supported (see Figure 2). Before making measurements on the pipe insulation, the thickness gauge shall be read with the measuring plate resting on the metal pipe. The pipe insulation shall then be suspended on the metal pipe and the thickness gauge read again. The difference between the two measurements is the thickness of the test specimen at that location. The load distributing plate of the thickness gauge shall be raised between each new reading.

### 6.2.2.5    Thickness uniformity

Determine the deviation from thickness uniformity, $\Delta d$, at each location by deducting the lower reading of thickness from the higher reading.

### 6.2.3    Length

Place the pipe insulation on a flat surface. Measure the length, $l$, twice, using a metal tape, at diametrically opposite sides on the surface of the pipe insulation (see Figure 1).

The length is measured with an accuracy of 1 mm for length $\leqslant$ 600 mm and an accuracy of 2 mm for length $>$ 600 mm.

### 6.2.4 Deviation from squareness

Place the pipe insulation on a flat surface. Place the metal square on the flat surface against the end of the pipe insulation (see Figure 4). Measure the deviation from squareness, $v$, as the maximum distance from the top edge of the pipe insulation to the metal square. It is measured with a metal tape by rotating the pipe insulation until the point is reached where the distance between the metal square and the pipe insulation is a maximum. The measurement is carried out at both ends of the pipe insulation.

The deviation from squareness is measured with an accuracy of 1 mm.

### 6.2.5 Deviation from linearity

Place the pipe insulation on a flat surface and rotate it until a gap is observed between the pipe insulation and the flat surface. Measure the deviation from linearity, $L$, when the gap is at maximum using either a metal tape or a thickness gauge (see Figure 5) with an accuracy of 1 mm.

# 7 Calculation and expression of results

**Table 1 — Measurement and calculation of dimensions**

| Measured values | Calculated values | Equations | |
|---|---|---|---|
| $C, D_i$ | $D_o, d$ | $D_o = \dfrac{C}{\pi}$ | (1) |
| | | $d = \dfrac{D_o - D_i}{2}$ | (2) |
| $D_i, D_o$ | $d$ | $d = \dfrac{D_o - D_i}{2}$ | (3) |
| $D_i, d$ | $D_o$ | $D_o = D_i + 2 \times d$ | (4) |
| $D_o, d$ | $D_i$ | $D_i = D_o - 2 \times d$ | (5) |
| $C, d$ | $D_o, D_i$ | $D_o = \dfrac{C}{\pi}$ | (6) |
| | | $D_i = D_o - 2 \times d$ | (7) |
| where |||| 
| $C$     is the circumference, in millimetres; |||| 
| $D_o$     is the outside diameter, in millimetres; |||| 
| $D_i$     is the inside diameter, in millimetres; |||| 
| $d$     is the thickness, in millimetres. |||| 

### 7.1 Outside diameter and inside diameter

Calculate the average of the values in accordance with Table 1 and round to the nearest millimetre.

### 7.2 Thickness

Calculate the average of the values in accordance with Table 1 and round to the nearest millimetre.