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*Rivets aveugles à rupture de tige à corps ouvert, à tête fraisée — AIA/St*

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# Open end blind rivets with break pull mandrel and countersunk head — AIA/St

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies dimensional and mechanical characteristics and application data for open end blind rivets with break pull mandrel and countersunk head, with an aluminium alloy (AIA) body and a steel (St) mandrel with nominal diameters,  $d$ , from 2,4 mm up to and including 5 mm.

## 2 Normative references

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ISO 3269:2000, *Fasteners — Acceptance inspection*

ISO 14588:2000, *Blind rivets — Terminology and definitions*

ISO 14589:2000, *Blind rivets — Mechanical testing*

## 3 Dimensions

### 3.1 General

Symbols and designations of dimensions are specified in ISO 14588.

### 3.2 Rivet dimensions

See Figure 1 and Table 1.

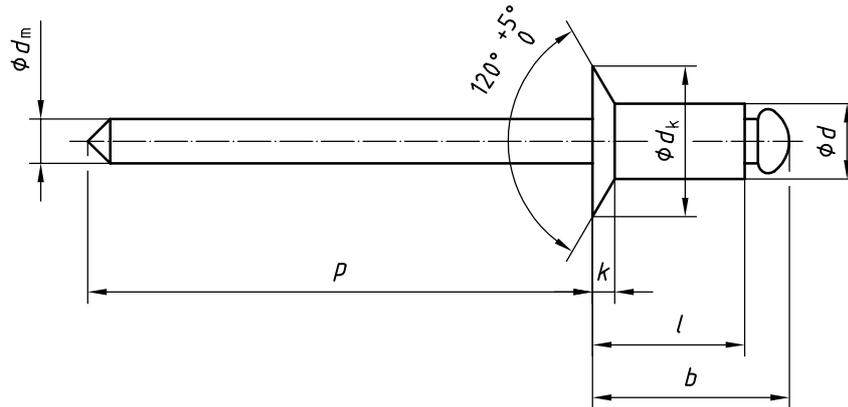


Figure 1 — Rivet dimensions

Table 1 — Rivet dimensions

Dimensions in millimetres

Rivet body	d	nom.	2,4	3	3,2	4	4,8	5
		max.	2,48	3,08	3,28	4,08	4,88	5,08
		min.	2,25	2,85	3,05	3,85	4,65	4,85
	d <sub>k</sub>	max.	5,0	6,3	6,7	8,4	10,1	10,5
		min.	4,2	5,4	5,8	6,9	8,3	8,7
	k	max.	1	1,3	1,3	1,7	2	2,1
Mandrel	d <sub>m</sub>	max.	1,55	2	2	2,45	2,95	2,95
	p	min.	25	25	25	27	27	27
Blind length	b	max.	$l_{max} + 3,5$	$l_{max} + 3,5$	$l_{max} + 4$	$l_{max} + 4$	$l_{max} + 4,5$	$l_{max} + 4,5$
Rivet length		Recommended grip ranges <sup>a</sup>						
	l <sup>b</sup>							
	nom. = min.	max.						
	4	5	1,5 to 2,0	—	—	—	—	—
	6	7	2 to 4	2,0 to 3,5	—	—	—	—
	8	9	4 to 6	3,5 to 5,0	2 to 5	—	—	—
	10	11	6 to 8	5 to 7	5,0 to 6,5	—	—	—
	12	13	8,0 to 9,5	7 to 9	6,5 to 8,5	—	—	—
	16	17	—	9 to 13	8,5 to 12,5	—	—	—
	20	21	—	13 to 17	12,5 to 16,5	—	—	—
	25	26	—	17 to 22	16,5 to 21,0	—	—	—
	30	31	—	—	—	—	—	20 to 25

NOTE The rivet body dimensions are generated from the design formulae specified in annex A.

<sup>a</sup> The grip ranges of rivets with dimensions as given in Table 1, with the material combination as given in clause 4, are specified by the minimum and maximum grip lengths. The minimum grip lengths are given as a recommendation only. It may be possible to go in individual cases below the minimum values.

<sup>b</sup> Nominal lengths greater than 30 mm shall be specified in 5 mm increments. For availability and grip range refer to manufacturer.

### 3.3 Clearance hole diameters

The diameters of the clearance holes ( $d_{h1}$ ) to accommodate the rivet in the components to be fastened are given in Table 2.

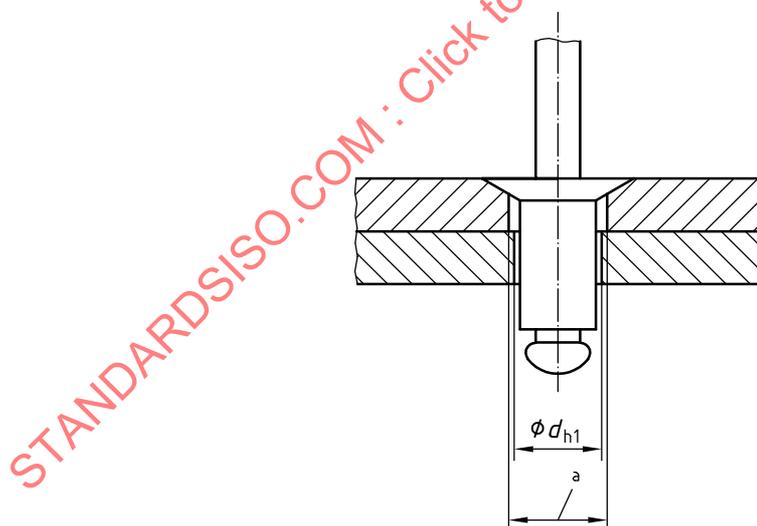
**Table 2 — Clearance hole diameters**

Dimensions in millimetres

$d$ nom.	$d_{h1}$	
	min.	max.
2,4	2,5	2,6
3	3,1	3,2
3,2	3,3	3,4
4	4,1	4,2
4,8	4,9	5,0
5	5,1	5,2

Non-conformance to the values listed in Table 2 may result in assembly difficulties and/or reduction in the shear and tensile loads specified in Table 3.

When necessary, to facilitate alignment, only the component on the access side may have a clearance hole larger than specified in Table 2 (see Figure 2). This may also result in a reduction of the shear and tensile loads specified in Table 3.



a Enlarged clearance hole

**Figure 2 — Enlarged clearance hole to facilitate alignment**

#### 4 Material and finish

Blind rivets in accordance with this International Standard shall have a rivet body made of aluminium alloy (AlA) and a mandrel made of steel (St) and shall have mechanical properties as specified in clause 5.

Material specification is at the discretion of the manufacturer.

The surface of the rivet body shall be plain, i.e. in natural finish. The surface finish of the mandrel is at the discretion of the manufacturer and may be oil, phosphate and oil or zinc coating.

#### 5 Mechanical properties

Two strength grades (low and high) are specified for the rivet body. The minimum shear loads, minimum tensile loads and maximum mandrel break loads for these grades shall be as specified in Table 3 when tested in accordance with ISO 14589.

**Table 3 — Mechanical properties**

<i>d</i> nom. mm	Class L		Class H		Mandrel break load max. N
	Shear load	Tensile load	Shear load	Tensile load	
	min. N	min. N	min. N	min. N	
2,4	250	350	350	550	2 000
3	400	550	550	850	3 000
3,2	500	700	750	1 100	3 500
4	850	1 200	1 250	1 800	5 000
4,8	1 200	1 700	1 850	2 600	6 500
5	1 400	2 000	2 150	3 100	6 500

#### 6 Mandrel push-out resistance

The load to push out the mandrel shall exceed 10 N when tested in accordance with ISO 14589.

#### 7 Mandrel head retention capability

The portion of the mandrel remaining in the set rivet shall not be ejected by the application of the head retention test load specified in Table 4 when tested in accordance with ISO 14589.

**Table 4 — Mandrel head retention test loads**

<i>d</i> nom. mm	Head retention test load N
2,4	10
3	15
3,2	15
4	20
4,8	25
5	25

## 8 Workmanship

Rivets shall be free from burrs and harmful defects and shall have well-formed heads and shanks.

After setting, rivets shall not show evidence of cracking when viewed at  $5 \times$  magnification.

## 9 Acceptance testing

If there is no other agreement, acceptance inspection in accordance with ISO 3269 applies.

## 10 Designation

EXAMPLE An open end blind rivet, with break pull mandrel and countersunk head, with nominal diameter  $d = 4$  mm and nominal length  $l = 12$  mm with an aluminium alloy body (AIA) and a steel mandrel (St), with class L of the rivet body (L) is designated as follows:

**Blind rivet ISO 15978 - 4 x 12 - AIA/St - L**

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