
**Kitchen equipment — Coordinating
sizes**

Équipement de cuisine — Dimensions de coordination

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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 136, *Furniture*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 3055:1985), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- Specification of the scope;
- Terms and definitions of kitchen furniture and appliances added;
- Normative references revised;
- Requirements for the coordinating sizes (height, width and depth) of kitchen units and appliances given in more detail;
- Annexes A and B deleted.

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Introduction

The purpose of standardization of kitchen equipment is to allow components to be combined in arrangements, which are harmonious and rational, due to account being taken of ergonomic and economic considerations.

To this end, the following aspects are considered:

- the sizes of component parts;
- the specific areas of each item of equipment, taking into account the possibility of their complete or partial overlapping;
- the location of pipes (water, gas, drainage, electricity);
- the combinations of components.

This document has been prepared according to the principles of modular coordination in building.

Attention is drawn to the fact that there can be national or regional regulations concerning supply of services (e.g. gas, electricity, water).

Attention is also drawn to the fact that there can be national or regional regulations/guidelines to cater for people with special needs.

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1 Scope

This document specifies dimensions for the height, width and depth of kitchen units and worktops. Additionally, it defines the space for integrating appliances, such as sink units, ovens, refrigerators, in kitchens.

This document does not apply to customized kitchens.

This document does not apply to kitchens for commercial use (e.g. in hotels, restaurants, and hospitals).

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1 Worktop

3.1.1 worktop

solid horizontal element attached to the top of a free standing or floor standing kitchen unit to provide a working surface

3.1.2 height of worktop

vertical distance from the floor to the top of the worktop

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_1 .

3.1.3 depth of worktop

horizontal distance from the front edge to the rear edge of the worktop

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_1 .

3.1.4 depth of working area

horizontal distance from the front edge of the worktop to the wall or wall attachment

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_5 .

Note 2 to entry: A wall attachment is typically recess panelling or wall end profiles.

3.1.5

overhang of the worktop

horizontal distance from the front edge of the worktop to the face of the front of the kitchen unit or the front of the appliance, measured at right angles to the front of the kitchen unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_2 .

3.1.6

distance between cooking hob and extractor hood

vertical distance from the upper surface of the pan base to the lower edge of the extractor hood

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_{10} .

Note 2 to entry: The required distance depends e.g. on the type of energy source for the cooking hob.

3.2 Kitchen unit

3.2.1

unit

item of storage furniture

3.2.2

free standing kitchen unit

kitchen island

kitchen unit to be supported by a floor and not to be attached to a ceiling or wall

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#) b).

3.2.3

floor standing kitchen unit

kitchen unit intended to be supported by a floor

3.2.4

wall hanging kitchen unit

kitchen unit intended to be entirely supported by a vertical structure

3.2.5

installation height of the floor standing kitchen unit

vertical clear distance from the floor to the bottom of the worktop

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_2 .

3.2.6

height of the kitchen unit

distance from the top surface of the kitchen unit to the underside of the kitchen unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_3 .

3.2.7

total depth of the kitchen unit

horizontal distance from the front face to the rear edge of the kitchen unit excluding protruding parts

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_3 .

Note 2 to entry: Protruding parts are e.g. handles, knobs or operating elements.

3.2.8

depth of the kitchen unit

horizontal distance from the front edge of the kitchen unit to the rear edge of the kitchen unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_4 .

3.2.9**height of the feet or height of the base**

vertical distance from the surface of the floor to the underside of the kitchen unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_4 .

Note 2 to entry: The height of the feet/base is not identical to the height of the plinth (see [Figure 1](#), h_8).

3.2.10**height of the plinth**

vertical distance from the surface of the floor to the top of the plinth

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_8

3.2.11**feet recess**

horizontal distance from the kitchen unit front edge to the front of the feet

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_6 .

3.2.12**plinth recess**

horizontal distance from the front edge of the kitchen unit front to the front edge of the plinth

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_7 .

3.2.13**front height for dishwashers**

vertical distance from the underside of the worktop to the lower edge of the decorative panel

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_6 .

3.3 Recess for appliances**3.3.1****appliance and/or furniture space**

open space formed by furniture and/or appliance into which appliance or furniture are intended to be inserted

3.3.2**opening for appliance**

opening or cut-out in a kitchen unit or a worktop which is intended for the installation of a built-in appliance or installation element

3.3.3**protective wall panelling**

element for the rear delimitation of the wall

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), 1 and h_9 and [Figure 2](#), 1.

Note 2 to entry: The protective wall panelling is generally placed between the top of the worktop and the bottom of the upper kitchen unit.

3.3.4**depth of adjusting area**

horizontal distance from the kitchen unit front edge to the rear edge of the rear appliance adjusting feet

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#), l_8 .

3.4 Decorative panel

3.4.1 decorative panel

component intended to adapt a built-in or built-under appliance to match the frontal design of the adjacent kitchen unit

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#), h_5 .

3.5 Appliance definitions

3.5.1 built-in appliance

appliance with width, depth and height corresponding to the nominal kitchen unit inner dimension

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 3](#), w_1 . See [Table 1](#).

3.5.2 built-under appliance

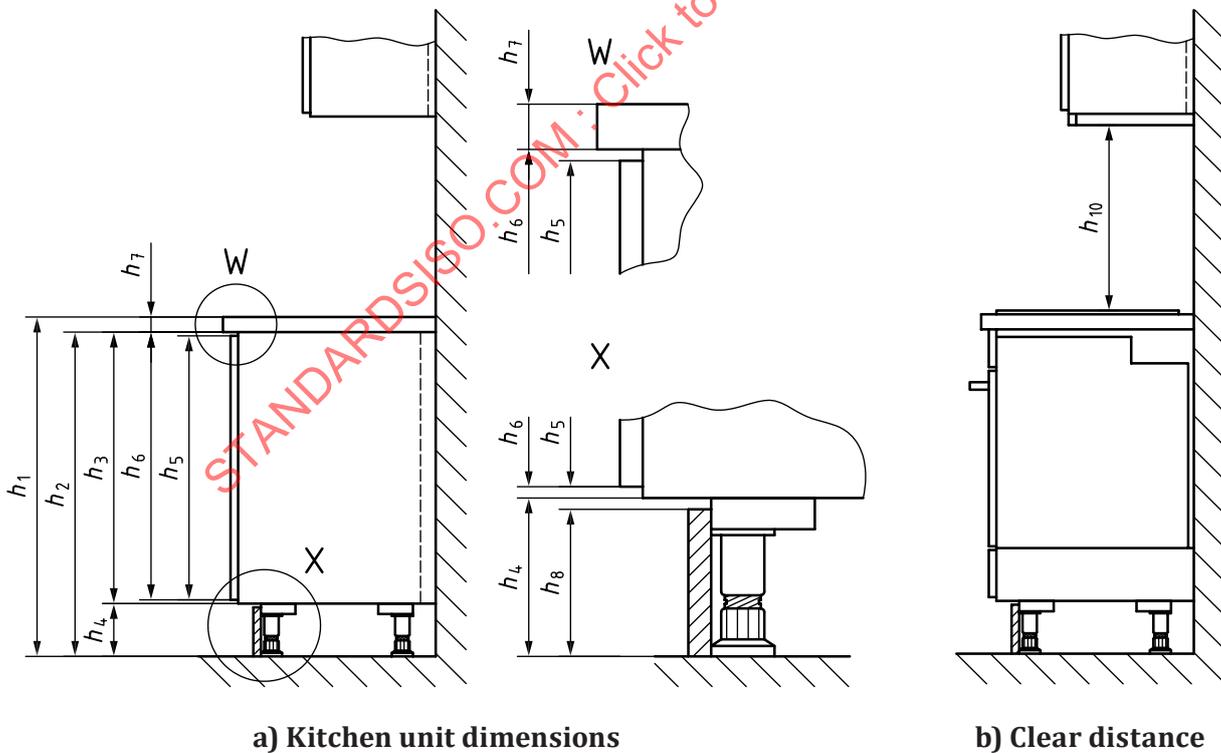
appliance with width, depth and height corresponding to the nominal kitchen unit outer dimension

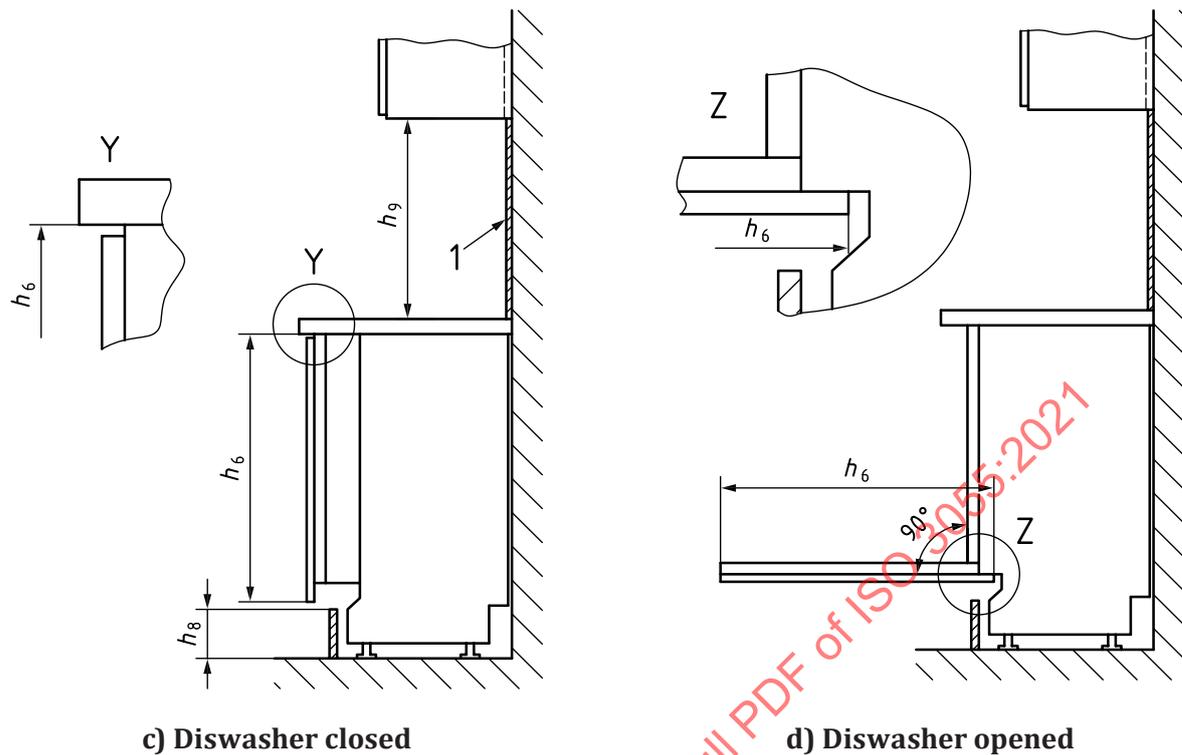
Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 3](#), w_1 and w_3 . See [Table 1](#).

3.5.3 installation element

functional components of a kitchen, which require an installation opening

EXAMPLE Fitted sink, cooking hob, waste separating systems.



**Key**

- 1 wall attachment (protective wall panelling)
- h_1 height of the worktop
- h_2 installation height of the base kitchen unit
- h_3 height of the kitchen unit
- h_4 height of the feet/base
- h_5 height of the decorative panel
- h_6 front height for dishwashers
- h_7 thickness of the worktop
- h_8 height of the plinth
- h_9 vertical distance between worktop and wall hanging kitchen unit above it
- h_{10} distance between cooking hob and extractor hood

Figure 1 — Heights of kitchen units and appliances (side view)

4 Coordinating sizes

4.1 General

Only such height, depth and width dimensions are specified, which are necessary for coordination between the furniture and appliance. Other dimensions can also be selected where required.

Furniture: The heights, depths and widths of installation openings and recesses indicated in [4.2](#), [4.3](#) and [4.4](#) shall have only plus deviations.

Appliances: The external heights, depths and widths as specified in [Tables 1](#) and [2](#) for the recess/installation opening shall have only minus deviations relative to the nominal dimensions. The location and dimensions of the installation openings for an installation element (e.g. a fitted sink in a worktop), the necessary space and the required safety distances shall be according to the installation instructions of the appliance manufacturers.

The widths of installation openings and overall widths of appliance fronts for built-in appliances are given in [Table 3](#).

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Table 1 — Height of the opening for appliances

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal width of the kitchen unit	Height of the opening																				
	330	350	360	370	380	450	470	480	590	700	720	820	880	1 025	1 225	1 400	1 450	1 580	1 780	1 860	
450	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	—	+	+	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
500	+	+	+	+	+	+	—	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
600	+	+	+	+	+	+	—	—	+	+	+	+	+	—	—	—	—	+	+	+	+
700	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
800	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
900	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tolerances of heights: +10 mm																					
+ Preference dimension																					
— not recommended																					
All height dimensions indicated refer to the minimum cabinet depth of 550 mm. The height dimensions 330 mm to 450 mm also refer to the minimum cabinet depth of 310 mm.																					

Table 2 — Width of recess for built-under appliances according to Figure 3 a)

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal width of the recess w_3	Width of the recess without space requirement for fittings ^a w_1	Overall width of the appliance front / installation frame and kitchen unit frame or the decorative frame w_2
450	450^{+5}_0	445^{+1}_{-5}
600	600^{+5}_0	595^{+1}_{-5}

^a Additional space requirement for fittings (e.g. sliding doors for cooling appliances) shall be considered.

Table 3 — Widths of installation openings and overall widths of appliance fronts for built-in appliances according to Figure 3 b)

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal width of the kitchen unit / clear space w_3	Minimum width of the recess without space requirement for fittings ^a w_1	Overall width of the appliance front / installation frame and kitchen unit frame w_2
450	410	445^{+1}_{-5}
500	460	495^{+1}_{-5}
600	560	595^{+1}_{-5}
700	660	695^{+1}_{-5}
800	760	795^{+1}_{-5}
900	860	895^{+1}_{-5}

^a Additional space requirement for fittings (e.g. sliding doors for cooling appliances) shall be considered.

4.2 Height

4.2.1 Height of the worktop

The height of the worktop shall be 750^{+50}_0 mm or 800^{+50}_0 mm or 850^{+50}_0 mm or 900^{+50}_0 mm or 950^{+50}_0 mm (see Figure 1, h_1).

It does not apply to height adjustable worktops.

Consider the intended user population when selecting the height of the worktop.

NOTE People with special needs can require different heights of the worktop.

4.2.2 Height of the recess for built-under appliances

The height of the recess for a built-under appliance shall be minimum 820 mm or minimum 870 mm or minimum 920 mm or adjustable (see Figure 1, h_2).

The value for the distance between cooking hob and extractor hood (see Figure 1, h_{10}) is determined by the manufacturer of the cooking hob and the extractor hood.

4.2.3 Height of the opening of appliances

The height of the opening for built-in appliances is specified in relation to the width of the kitchen unit according to Table 1.