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## Dental handpieces — Coupling dimensions

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## 0 Introduction

The dental handpiece is an instrument used daily by dental practitioners throughout the world. To permit the interchange of instruments from various manufacturing sources in different countries, agreement on the dimensions for the coupling units is necessary, otherwise major practical problems could arise in the use of these precision instruments.

## 1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies the nominal dimensions and tolerances of the swivel-type coupling used between the dental handpieces and their driving mechanisms. It is not applicable to the older "slip-joint" coupling. It is restricted to mechanically coupled handpieces of the slow or medium speed types.

## 2 Nominal dimensions and tolerances

See figures 1 and 2.

Dimensions in millimetres

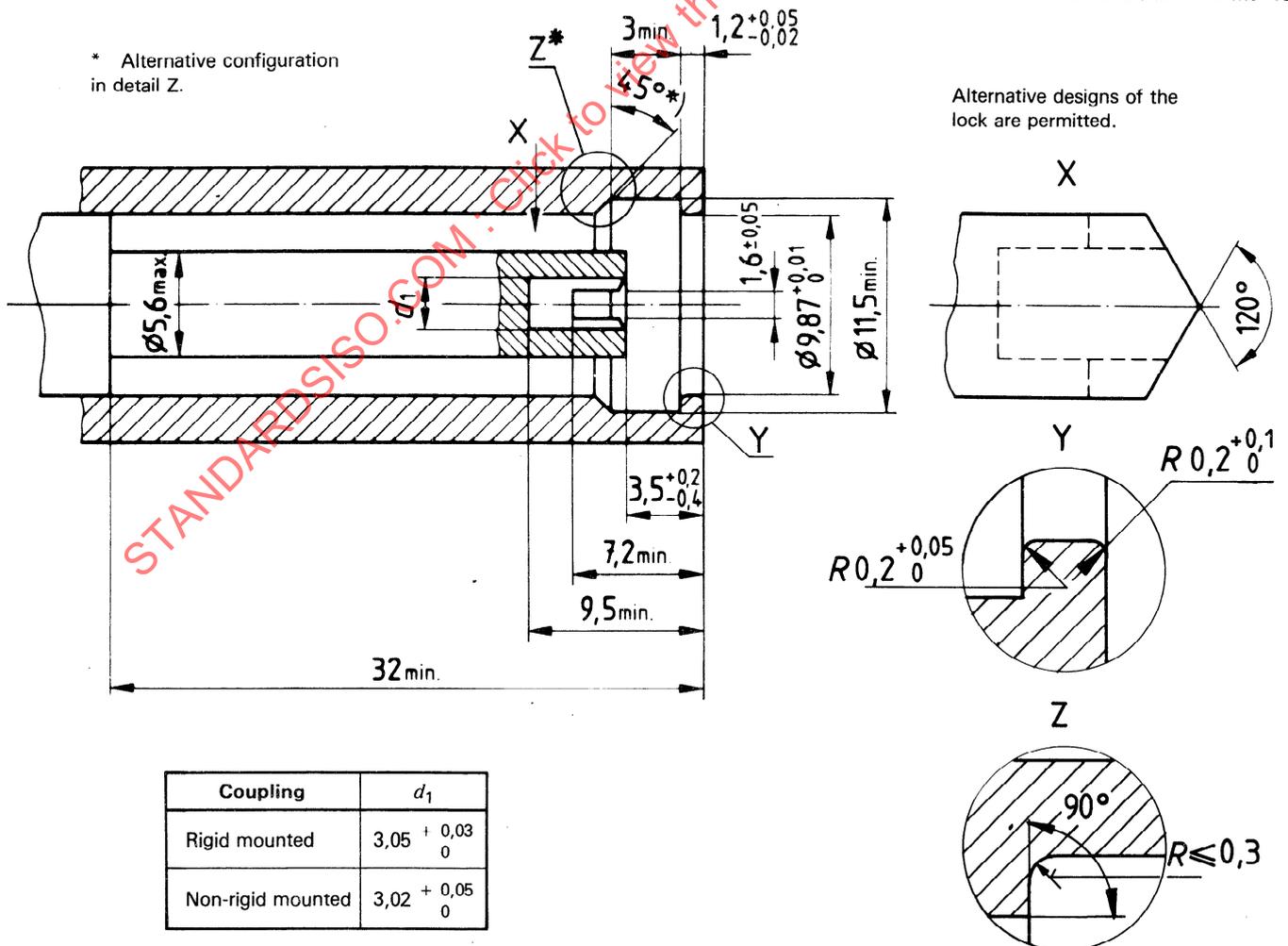


Figure 1 – Instrument