
**Alpine skis — Determination of
deformation load and breaking load**

*Skis alpins — Détermination de la charge de déformation et de la
charge de rupture*

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for determining the resistance of alpine skis to permanent deformation and breaking. In this International Standard no attempt is made to relate the measurement data to the quality of the ski.

It is applicable to all alpine skis for adults, juveniles and children.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 8364, *Alpine skis and bindings — Binding mounting area — Requirements and test methods*

ISO 868, *Plastics and ebonite — Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness)*

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

deformation load

F_D

load which, when applied at the load application point, causes a permanent deformation of 1 mm of the ski between the supports

3.2

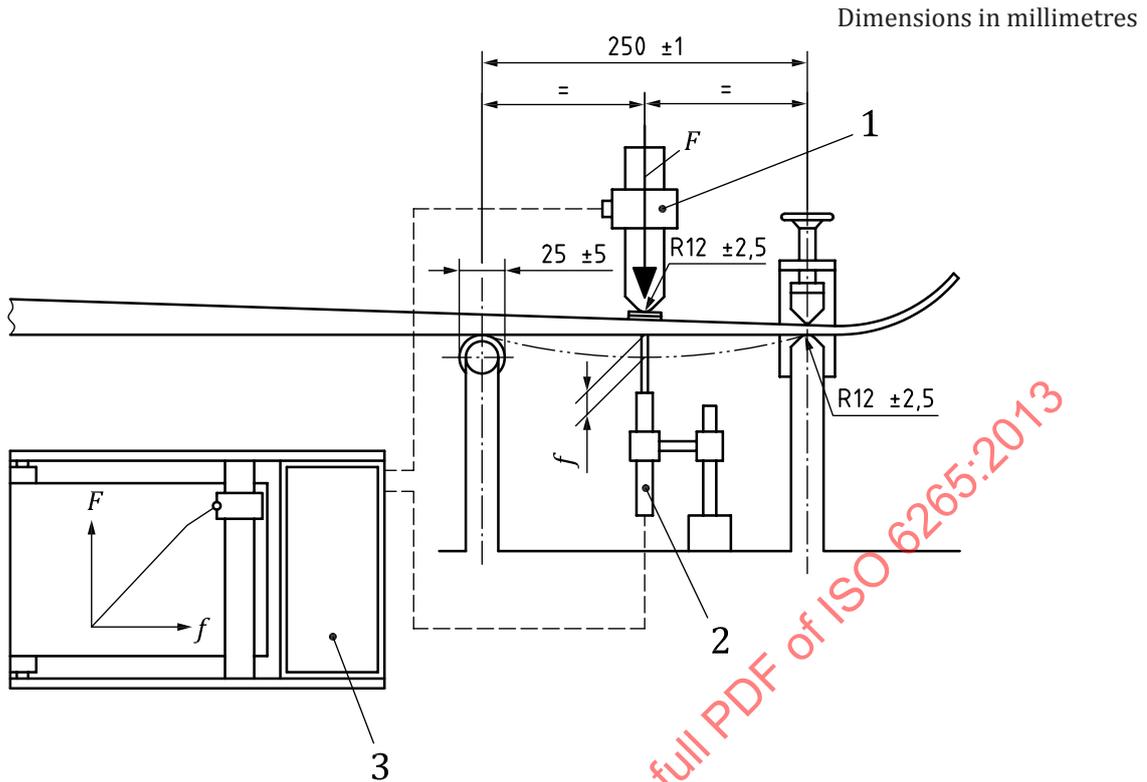
breaking load

F_B

maximum load which, when applied at the load application point, causes failure of the ski (breaking, delamination, buckling, etc.)

4 Testing machine

The general arrangement of the bending testing machine is shown in [Figure 1](#).



Key

- 1 dynamometer
- 2 displacement measurement gauge
- 3 recorder

Figure 1 — Testing machine

The bending testing machine (universal tension and compression testing machine with bending fixture) shall comprise:

- a) two specimen supports, at least 250 mm apart, at least one of which shall be a low friction roller;
- b) a dynamometer, having a range of at least 20 000 N, for measurement of the load, F ;
- c) a displacement measurement gauge for the deflection, f .

The load shall be applied to the ski via a ram plate (see [Figure 2](#)), which shall consist of a steel plate, 4 mm thick, and a hard rubber layer, 3 mm thick and having a Shore A hardness of 95 ± 5 . Hardness shall be determined in accordance with ISO 868.

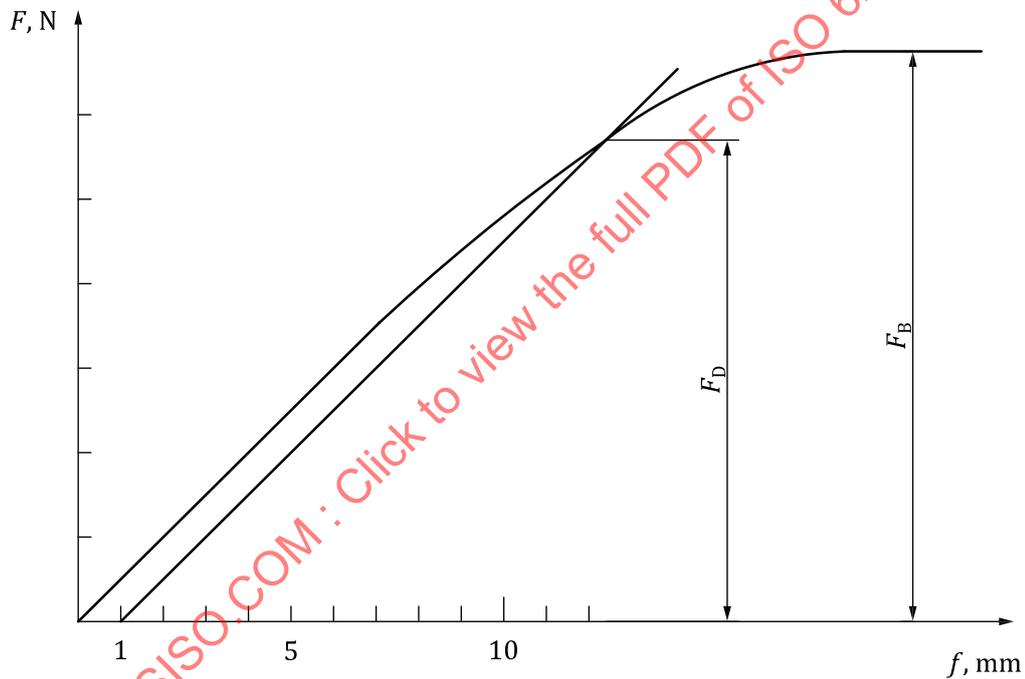
Dimensions in millimetres

**Key**

- 1 steel plate
- 2 hard rubber

Figure 2 — Ram plate

Measurement data shall be recorded by means of a load-displacement recorder (see [Figure 3](#)).

**Key**

- F load
- f deflection
- F_D deformation load
- F_B breaking load

Figure 3 — Typical load-deflection curve and method of evaluation

The specimen supports, as well as the ram plate, shall reach over the whole width of the ski.

5 Determination of the load application point

The test shall be carried out at the load application point with a separation between the supports of $250 \text{ mm} \pm 0,5 \text{ mm}$.

Determine the load application point by moving the ski in a longitudinal direction on the supports until a deflection of:

2 mm ± 0,03 mm – for group 1;

4 mm ± 0,03 mm – for group 2;

6 mm ± 0,03 mm – for group 3;

8 mm ± 0,03 mm – for group 4;

is obtained under a load of 600 N ± 5 N.

If under this procedure more than one load application point can be determined, the load application point which is nearest to the front shall be used.

6 Conditioning

Condition the ski at a temperature of 23 °C ± 5 °C.

7 Test procedure

Insert the ski in the testing machine and fix it on the supports in such a way that the load application point is located midway between the supports.

It is important that the stiffness of the ski at the load application point lies within the tolerance range of ± 3 %.

NOTE Testing at positions other than the load application point will result in false values for the deformation load and the breaking load.

Load the ski at a rate sufficient to increase the deflection by 25 mm/min, until the ski breaks.

Record the load-deflection values by means of the load-displacement recorder.

8 Evaluation

Determine the deformation load and the breaking load from the load-deflection chart above (see [Figure 3](#)).

8.1 Deformation load

From the point of the abscissa corresponding to a 1 mm deflection, draw a straight line parallel to the linear portion of the load-deflection curve. The value of the deformation load, F_D , is given by the point of intersection of this line with the curve (see [Figure 3](#)).

8.2 Breaking load

The breaking load, F_B , is the maximum load measured during the test, i.e. the maxima of the curve.

9 Test report

The test report shall include the following information:

- a) reference to this International Standard, i.e. ISO 6265;
- b) the brand of ski tested;
- c) the designation of the model;
- d) the group of the ski according to ISO 8364;
- e) the manufacturer's registration number;