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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies, for the manufacturers of control devices for inertia braking, the forces to be taken into account so that sections may be calculated and maximum admissible stresses selected. These forces are not given as a basis for a dynamic test.

2 Field of application

This International Standard applies to control devices for inertia braking intended for use on caravans and light trailers¹⁾.

NOTE — For calculation of the mechanical strength of steel drawbars, see ISO 7641/1.

3 References

ISO 7237, *Road vehicles — Masses and dimensions of caravans — Terms and definitions*.

ISO 7641/1, *Road vehicles — Caravans and light trailers — Calculation of the mechanical strength of the drawbar — Part 1 : Steel drawbars*.

4 Symbols and definitions

D is the value in newtons determined by the following equation corresponding to the longitudinal force between the towing vehicle and the trailer.

$$D = g \times \frac{22\,000 \times m_t}{22\,000 + m_t}$$

where

g is the acceleration due to gravity, i.e. the conventional value of 9,806 65 m/s²;

m_t is the maximum manufacturer's total mass of the trailer as defined in ISO 7237, expressed in kilograms.

1) Trailer categories 01 and 02 in accordance with the EEC/UNO classification :

- Category 1 : single axle trailers, excluding semi-trailers, maximum weight not more than 0,75 t.
- Category 2 : Trailers, maximum weight not more than 3,5 t excluding category 01 trailers.