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Annex A forms an integral part of this International Standard.

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## 1 Scope

This International Standard establishes terminology and the content of commercial literature specifications for self-propelled crawler or wheeled backhoe loaders and their equipment.

This International Standard is applicable to backhoe loaders as defined in 3.1. It is not applicable to loaders equipped with a backhoe attachment in accordance with ISO 7131:1997, 3.3.1.

## 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 3450:1996, *Earth-moving machinery — Braking systems of rubber-tyred machines — Systems and performance requirements and test procedures.*

ISO 4250-1:1996, *Earth-mover tyres and rims — Part 1: Tyre designation and dimensions.*

ISO 4250-2:1995, *Earth-mover tyres and rims — Part 2: Loads and inflation pressures.*

ISO 4250-3:1997, *Earth-mover tyres and rims — Part 3: Rims.*

ISO 5010: 1992, *Earth-moving machinery — Rubber-tyred machines — Steering requirements.*

ISO 6014:1986, *Earth-moving machinery — Determination of ground speed.*

ISO 6015:1989, *Earth-moving machinery — Hydraulic excavators — Methods of measuring tool forces.*

ISO 6016:1998, *Earth-moving machinery — Methods of measuring the masses of whole machines, their attachments and components.*

ISO 6165:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Basic types — Vocabulary.*

ISO 6746-1:1987, *Earth-moving machinery — Definitions of dimensions and symbols — Part 1: Base machine.*

ISO 6746-2:1987, *Earth-moving machinery — Definitions of dimensions and symbols — Part 2: Equipment.*

ISO 7131:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Loaders — Terminology and commercial specifications.*

ISO 7135:—<sup>1)</sup>, *Earth-moving machinery — Hydraulic excavators — Terminology and commercial specifications.*

ISO 7451:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Volumetric ratings for hydraulic excavator buckets and backhoe loader buckets.*

ISO 7457:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Determination of turning dimensions of wheeled machines.*

ISO 7546:1983, *Earth-moving machinery — Loader and front loading excavator buckets — Volumetric ratings.*

ISO 9249:1997, *Earth-moving machinery — Engine test code — Net power.*

ISO 14397-1:—<sup>2)</sup>, *Earth-moving machinery — Loaders and backhoe loaders — Part 1: Calculation and verification methods for operating loads.*

### 3 General definitions

See also ISO 6165.

#### 3.1 backhoe loader

self propelled crawler or wheeled machine, having a main frame designed to carry both front-mounted equipment and rear-mounted backhoe equipment (normally with outriggers); when used in the backhoe mode, the machine is stationary and normally digs below ground level; when used in the loader mode (bucket use), the machine loads through forward motion

NOTE 1 A backhoe work cycle normally comprises excavating, elevating, swinging, and discharging material. A loader work cycle normally comprises filling, elevating, transporting, and discharging material.

NOTE 2 Backhoe loader directional references: the terms right, left, front or rear are determined from the operator's position when seated in the travelling direction stated by the manufacturer.

#### 3.2 base machine

machine with, if required, cab, canopy and operator-protective structures, without equipment or attachments, but including the mountings necessary to connect equipment or attachments

NOTE For the purposes of this International Standard, the base machine of a backhoe loader includes equipment and attachments.

#### 3.3 equipment

set of components mounted onto the base machine which allow an attachment to perform its primary design function

#### 3.4 optional equipment

optional items of equipment mounted onto the base machine to increase, for example, capacity, flexibility, comfort and safety

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<sup>1)</sup> To be published. (Revision of ISO 7135:1993)

<sup>2)</sup> To be published.

**3.5****attachment (tool)**

assembly of components that can be mounted onto the base machine or equipment for specific use

**3.6****component**

part, or an assembly of parts, of a base machine, equipment or attachment

**4 Base machine****4.1 Types of backhoe loaders****4.1.1 Side-shift backhoe**

See Figure 1.

**4.1.2 Centre pivot backhoe**

See Figure 2.

**4.1.3 Drive and steering system****4.1.3.1 Rigid frame, front wheel steer, rear wheel drive**

See Figure 3.

**4.1.3.2 Rigid frame, front/all wheel steer, all wheel drive**

See Figure 4.

**4.1.3.3 Articulated steering, rear wheel drive**

See Figure 5.

**4.1.3.4 Articulated steering, all wheel drive**

See Figure 6.

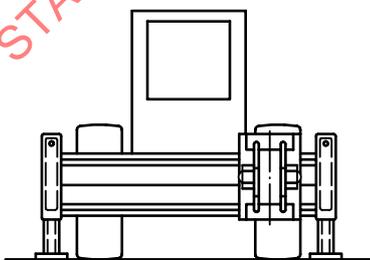


Figure 1 — Side-shift backhoe

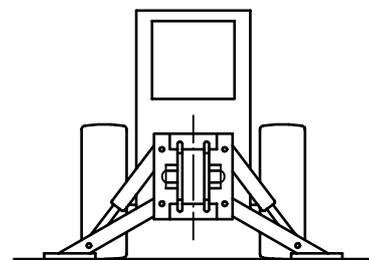


Figure 2 — Centre pivot backhoe

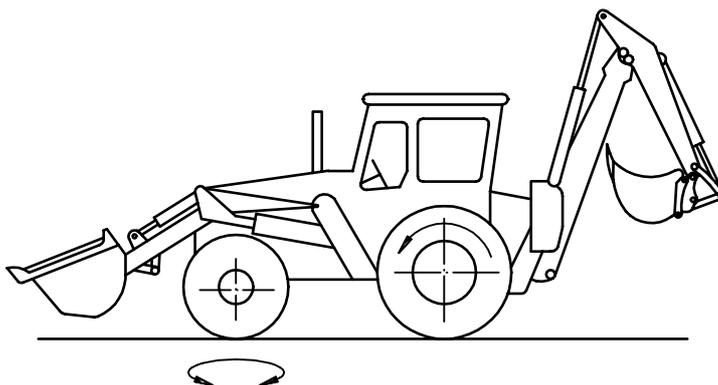


Figure 3 — Rigid frame, front wheel steer, rear wheel drive

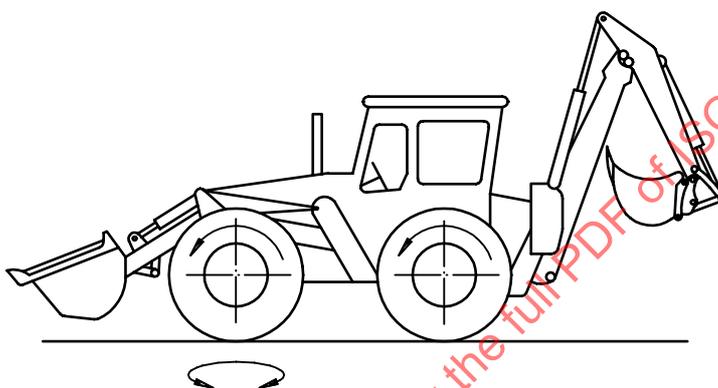


Figure 4 — Rigid frame, front/all wheel steer, all wheel drive

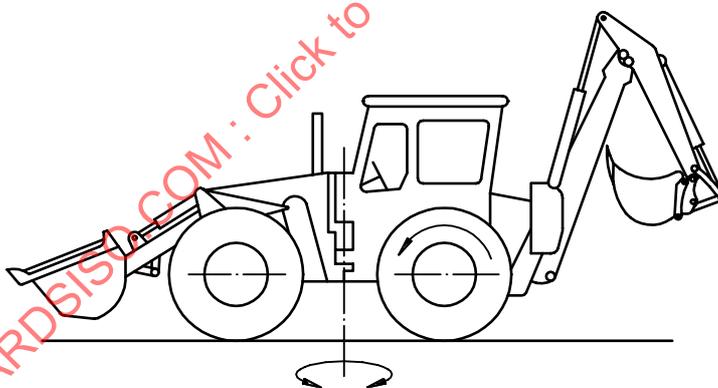


Figure 5 — Articulated steering, rear wheel drive

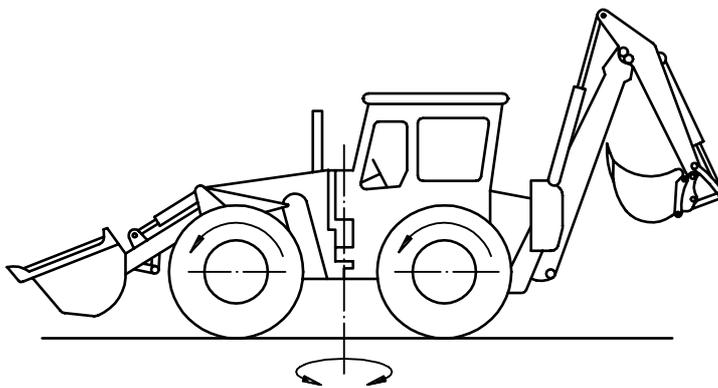


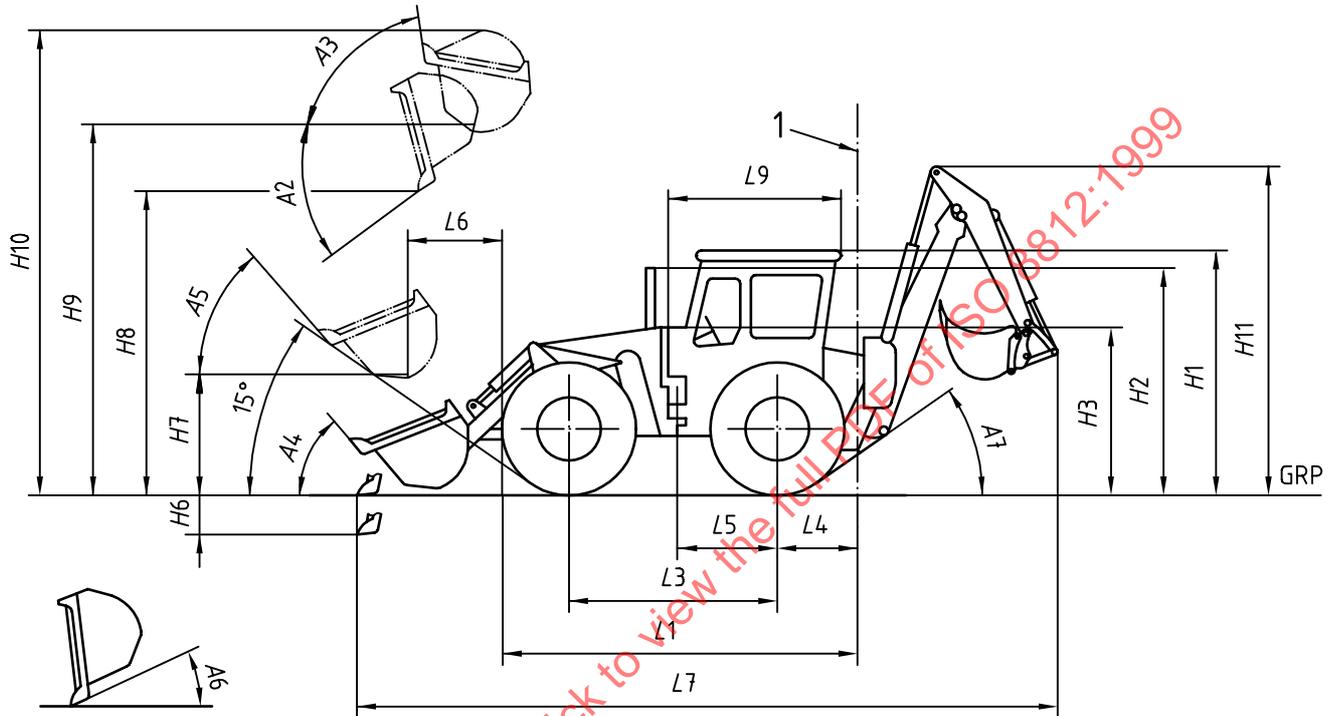
Figure 6 — Articulated steering, all wheel drive

### 4.2 Dimensions

See Figures 7 and 8.

For definitions of dimensions, see ISO 6746-1.

For definition of dimensions strictly related to backhoe loaders, see annex A.



**Key**

1 Swing pivot

Figure 7 a) — Dimensions of backhoe loader

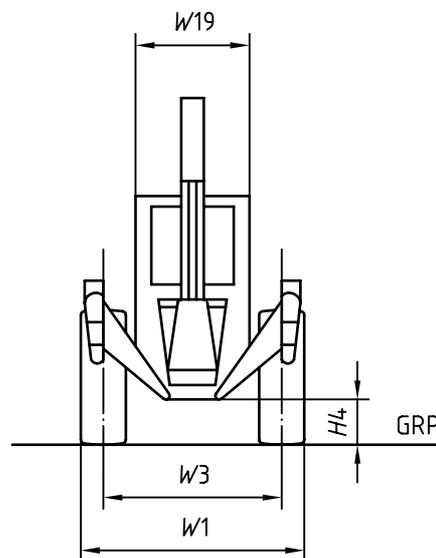
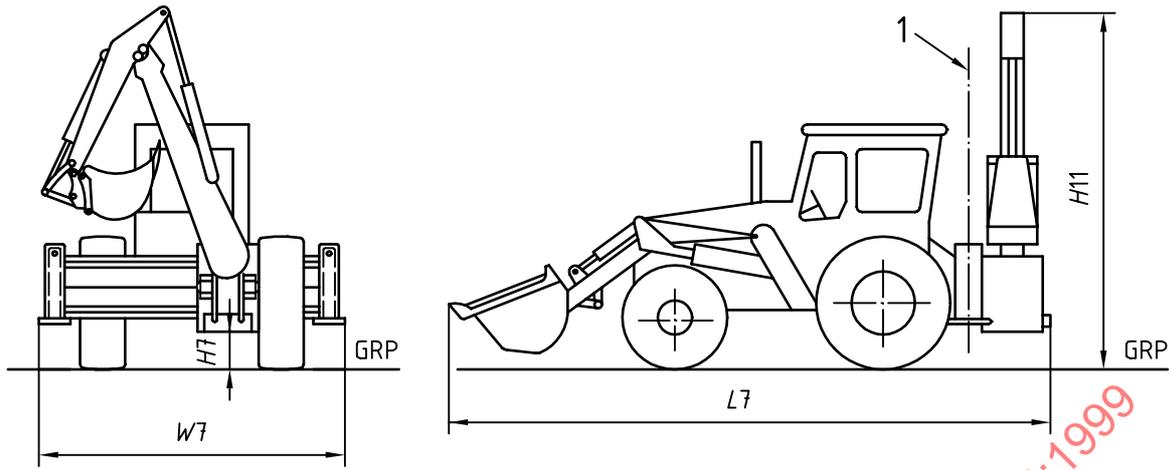


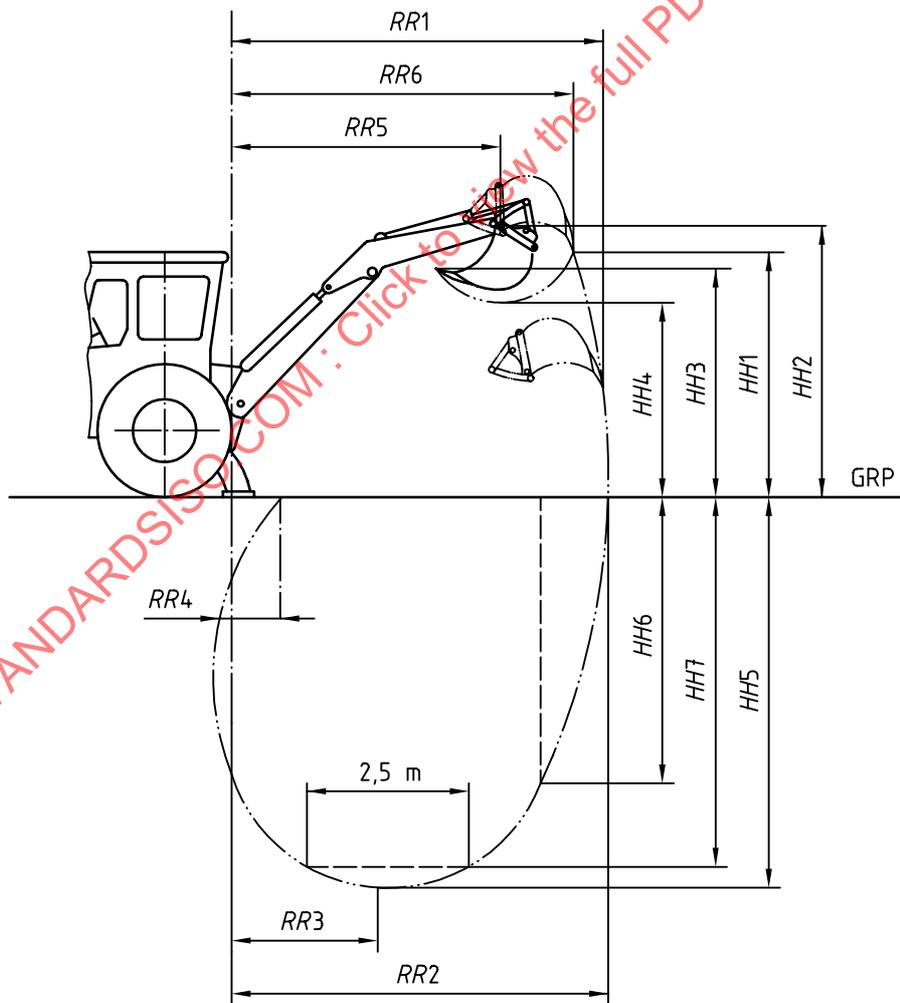
Figure 7 b) — Centre pivot backhoe



**Key**

- 1 Swing pivot

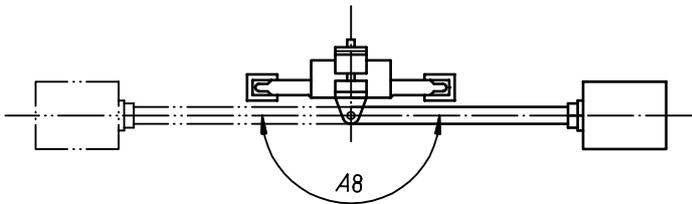
**Figure 7 c) — Side-shift backhoe**



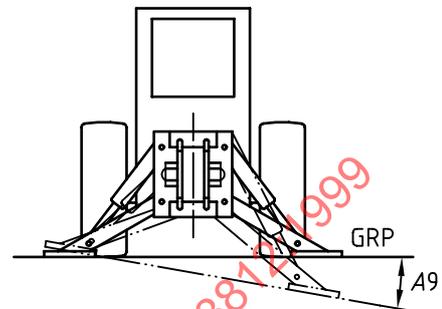
**Figure 8 — Digging dimensions**

**4.2.1 Operational positions of backhoe**

The dimensions indicated in Figures 9, 10 and 11 shall be obtained with the main bearing surfaces of the stabilisers on the ground and with all tyres tangent to ground and at their recommended air pressure.



**Figure 9 — Backhoe swing pivot axis**

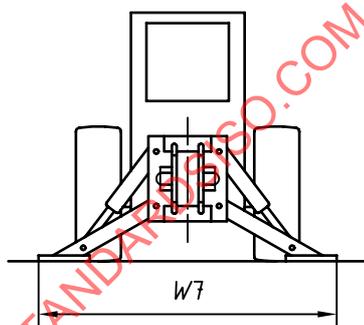


**Figure 10 — Levelling angle**

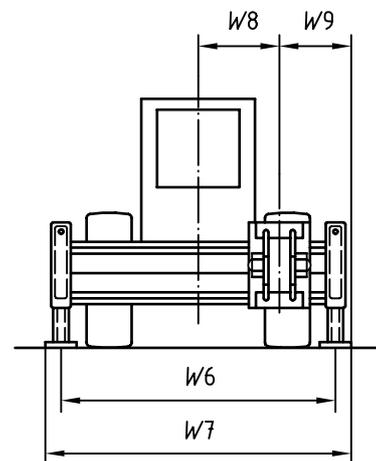
**4.2.2 Operational position of stabilisers**

**4.2.2.1 Overall width**

Stabilisers down and shown in operating positions; see Figures 11 and 12.



**Figure 11 — Centre pivot backhoe**



**Figure 12 — Side shift backhoe**

**4.2.3 Manoeuvring dimensions**

See Figures 13 and 14.

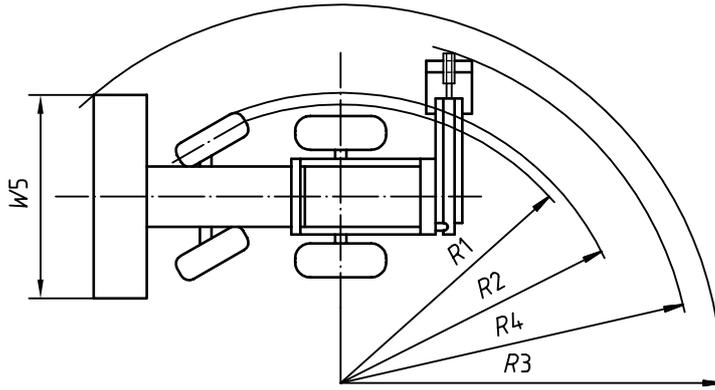


Figure 13 — Manoeuvring dimensions (rigid frame)

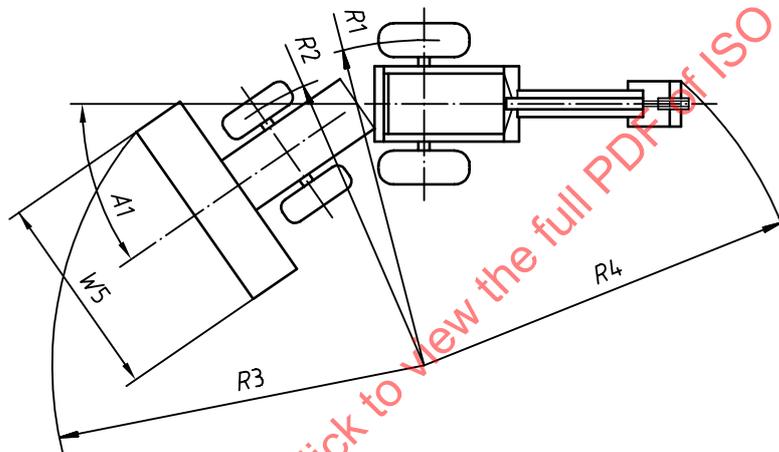


Figure 14 — Manoeuvring dimensions (articulated frame)

NOTE Bucket in carry position and backhoe in transport position

**4.3 Masses**

**4.3.1**

**operating mass**

mass of the base machine with equipment and empty attachments as specified by the manufacturer, operator (75 kg), full fuel tank and all fluid systems at the levels specified by the manufacturer

**4.3.2**

**shipping mass**

mass of the base machine without operator, fuel level at 10 % of tank capacity, all fluid systems at their levels specified by the manufacturer and with or without equipment, attachments, cab, canopy, ROPS<sup>3)</sup> and/or FOPS<sup>4)</sup>, wheels and counterweights as stated by the manufacturer

NOTE If the machine has to be disassembled for shipping purposes, the masses of these dismantled components should be stated by the manufacturer.

3) ROPS: Roll-over protective structure.

4) FOPS: Falling object protective structure.

**4.3.3**

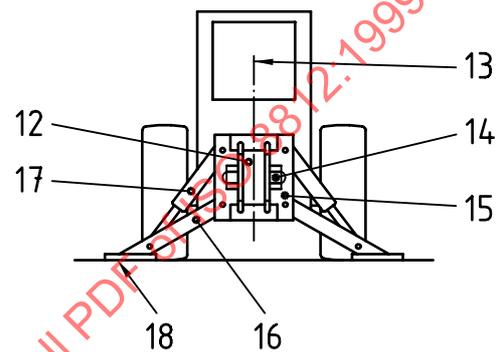
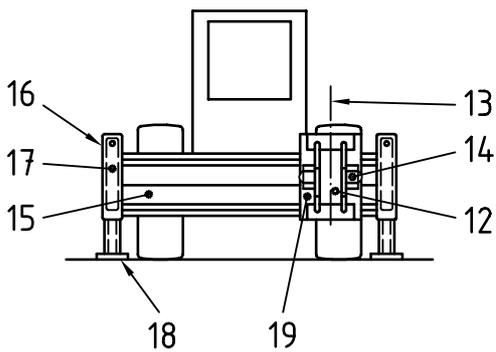
**cab, canopy, ROPS and/or FOPS mass**

mass of a cab, canopy, ROPS or FOPS with all their components, and mountings required to secure these to the base machine

**4.4 Nomenclature** (see diagram numbers)

**4.4.1** For nomenclature strictly related to loader portion, see ISO 7131.

**4.4.2** For backhoe equipment, see Figures 15, 16 and 17 and ISO 7135.



**Key**

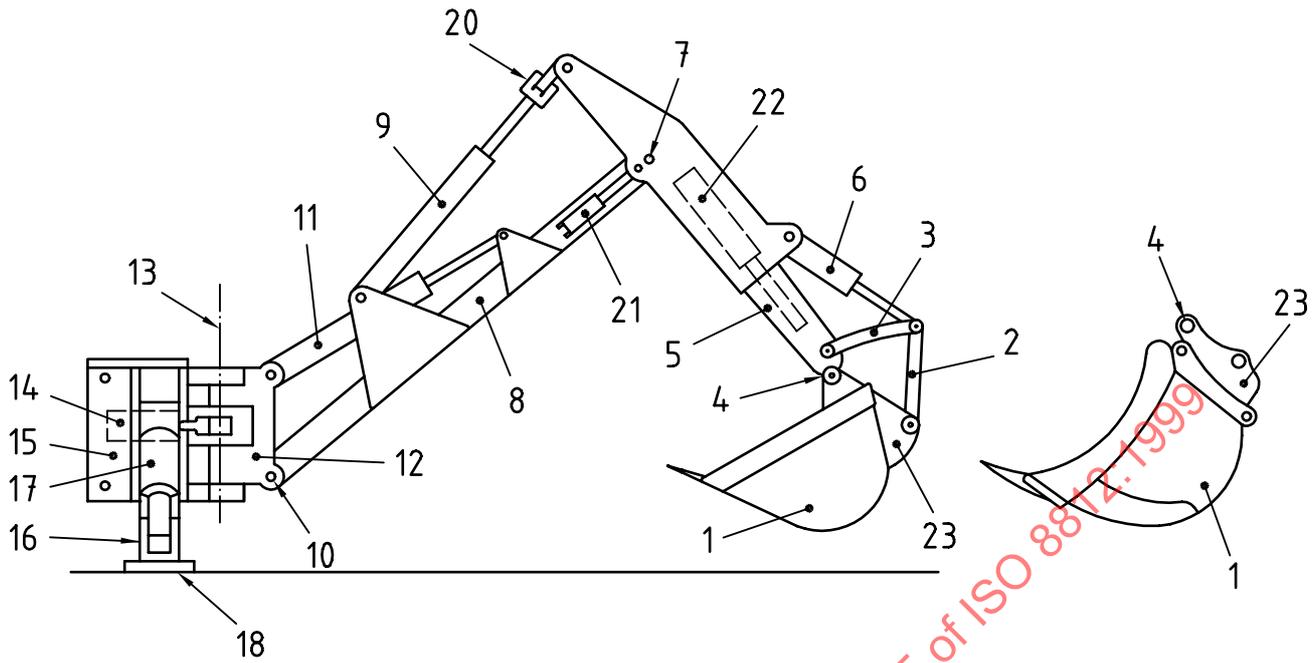
- 12 Swing frame
- 13 Swing pivot centre line
- 14 Swing actuator/cylinder
- 15 Main frame

- 16 Stabiliser (right or left)
- 17 Stabiliser cylinder (right or left)
- 18 Stabiliser pad (right or left)
- 19 Side shift frame (sliding frame)

**Figure 15 — Side shift backhoe**

**Figure 16 — Centre pivot backhoe**

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**Key**

- |   |                  |        |                          |
|---|------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Bucket           | 9      | Arm cylinder             |
| 2 | Bucket linkage   | 10     | Boom pivot pin           |
| 3 | Guide linkage    | 11     | Boom cylinder            |
| 4 | Bucket pivot pin | 12 -19 | See Figures 15 and 16    |
| 5 | Arm (extendable) | 20     | Tie link                 |
| 6 | Bucket cylinder  | 21     | Side deflection cylinder |
| 7 | Arm pivot        | 22     | Extendable arm cylinder  |
| 8 | Boom             | 23     | Attachment bracket       |

**Figure 17 — Backhoe with side deflection and extendable arm**

**5 Attachment (tool) nomenclature**

**5.1 Loader bucket**

**5.2 Backhoe bucket**

**6 Performance terminology**

**6.1 General**

**6.1.1 ISO net power (engine)**

See ISO 9249.

**6.1.2  
maximum travel speeds**

See ISO 6014.

**6.1.3  
braking performance**

See ISO 3450.

**6.1.4  
steering capability**

See ISO 5010.

**6.1.5  
turning radius**

See ISO 7457.

**6.2 Loader operation**

**6.2.1  
rated operating load**

See ISO 14397-1.

**6.2.2  
breakout force**

See ISO 14397-1.

**6.2.3  
tipping load**

See ISO 14397-1.

**6.2.4  
tipping load at specified height**

See ISO 14397-1.

**6.2.5  
raising time**

See ISO 7131.

**6.2.6  
lowering time**

See ISO 7131.

**6.2.7  
dump time**

See ISO 7131.

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**6.3 Backhoe operation**

**6.3.1 maximum hoe tool force using bucket cylinder(s)**

See ISO 6015.

**6.3.2 maximum hoe tool force using arm cylinder(s)**

See ISO 6015.

**7 Commercial literature specifications — SI units (examples)**

**7.1 Engine** (specify characteristics)

Manufacturer and model

Diesel or spark ignition

Type of cycle (2 or 4 stroke)

Naturally aspirated, mechanically supercharged, or turbocharged

Number of cylinders

Displacement

Bore

Stroke

Cooling system (air or water cooled).

Type of fuel

Power, flywheel net: ..... at ..... r/min

Torque-maximum: ..... at ..... r/min (where applicable)

Starter type: electric ....., air ....., other.....

Electrical system: ..... V

**7.2 Transmission** (specify type)

Manual shift with flywheel clutch

Manual shift with torque converter

Power shift with torque converter

Hydrostatic

Electric

Number of speeds, forward and reverse

Travel speeds (forward, reverse)

**7.3 Drive axle(s)** (specify type)

Fixed vs. oscillating

Bevel gear and pinion

Differential

Two speed

Hydrostatic

Final gear (planetary hub or in house gears)

2-wheel drive or 4-wheel drive (2WD, 4WD)

**7.4 Steering** (specify type; see ISO 5010)

Articulated steering

Front wheel steer

Rear wheel steer

All wheel steer

Manual, hydrostatic (power assisted, full-power steering)

Emergency steer method

**7.4.1 Performance**

Turning diameter left and right: ..... (see ISO 7457)

Articulation angle: .....

Machine clearance diameter: .....

Tyre clearance diameter: .....

**7.5 Brakes** (specify type)**7.5.1 Service brake**

Type (drum, disc, wet or dry)

Actuating system type (full air, full hydraulic, air over hydraulic, mechanical, etc.)

**7.5.2 Parking brake**

Type

Actuating system

**7.5.3 Secondary brake**

Type

Actuating system

**7.5.4 Brake performance** (specify)

See ISO 3450.

**7.6 Tyres and rims** (see ISO 4250-1, ISO 4250-2 and ISO 4250-3)

Size and type

Tread

Ply rating

Rim size

**7.7 Hydraulic system**

Cylinders (number, type and dimensions):

— Lift

— Tilt

— Bucket

Pump type(s)

Number of pumps

Regulating system

Pump flow at given pressure, at rated engine speed

Main relief valve opening pressure

**7.8 System fluid capacities**

Fuel tank

Engine crankcase

Cooling system

Transmission

Transfer case

Hydraulic system

Axles

Final drive case(s)

**7.9 Masses****7.9.1 Operating mass****7.9.2 Shipping mass****7.10 Filtration system** (type)

Engine

Transmission

Steering and braking

Hydraulic

**7.11 Characteristics which may be affected by bucket selection** (machine equipped with non-standard tyres)

See ISO 7131:1997, 7.8.

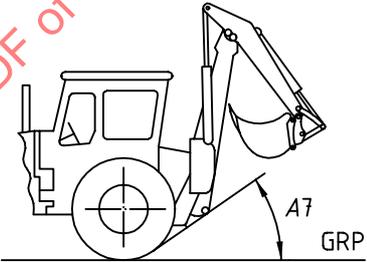
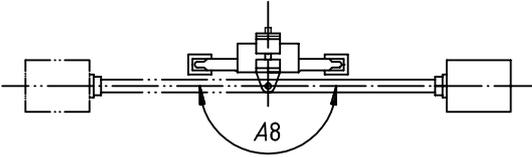
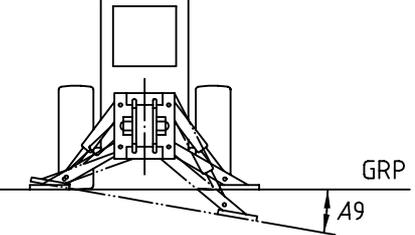
## Annex A (normative)

### Base machine — Dimensions — Symbols, terms and definitions

See Tables A.1 and A.2.

For dimensions of the loader portion and backhoe portion, see ISO 7131 and ISO 7135, respectively.

Table A.1

| Symbol | Term                | Definition   | Drawing  |
|--------|---------------------|--|--|
| A7     | Angle of departure  | Maximum angle between the horizontal GRP <sup>5)</sup> and a plane tangent to the rear tyres or tracks of a machine and passing through the lowest point of any structure or component behind the tyres or tracks, which limit the magnitude of the angle. |  |
| A8     | Backhoe swing angle | Maximum swing angle of uninterrupted rotation on Z plane described by the backhoe boom during movement around the backhoe swing pivot centreline.  |  |
| A9     | Levelling angle     | The maximum side slope in degrees that the backhoe can dig a vertical trench by adjusting the stabilizers.   |  |

<sup>5)</sup> The GRP and the X, Y and Z coordinates are defined in ISO 6746-1.