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## SRI LANKA STANDARD METHOD FOR V-NOTCHED BEAM IMPACT TEST FOR STEEL

### FOREWORD

This Sri Lanka Standard Specification was adopted from the ISO Standard — Beam Impact Test V-Notch for Steel on the recommendation made by the Drafting Committee of the Bureau on Steel. It was approved by the Civil Engineering Divisional Committee of the Bureau of Ceylon Standards and was authorised for adoption and publication by the Council of the Bureau on 1976-08-04.

This standard was adopted from ISO — R 148 — Beam Impact test V-Notch for Steel.

All values given in this standard are in Metric Units.

### 1. SCOPE AND PRINCIPLE OF TEST

This Standard Method for V-Notched Beam Impact Test for Steel is confined to the method of test only, and evaluation criteria are matters for material specifications. The test consists in breaking by one blow from a swinging hammer under conditions defined hereafter, a test piece V-Notched in the middle and supported at each end. The energy absorbed is determined.

### 2. SYMBOLS AND DESIGNATIONS

Number	Symbol	Designation	Size dimension
1	—	Length of test piece	55 mm
2	a	Thickness of test piece	10 mm
3	b	Width of test piece	10 mm
4	—	Thickness of test piece minus depth of notch (depth below notch)	8 mm
5	—	Angle of notch	45°
6	—	Depth of notch	2 mm
7	—	Radius of curvature of base of notch	0.25 mm

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Number	Symbol	Designation	Size dimension
8	L	Distance between supports	40 mm
9	—	Radius of curvature of supports	$r = 1 \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ mm}$
10	—	Taper of supports	slope 1 : 5
11	—	Angle at tip of hammer	$30^\circ$
12	—	Radius of curvature of hammer	2 to 2.5 mm
—	kV	Energy absorbed in kilogramme-force-metres or foot-pound-force	

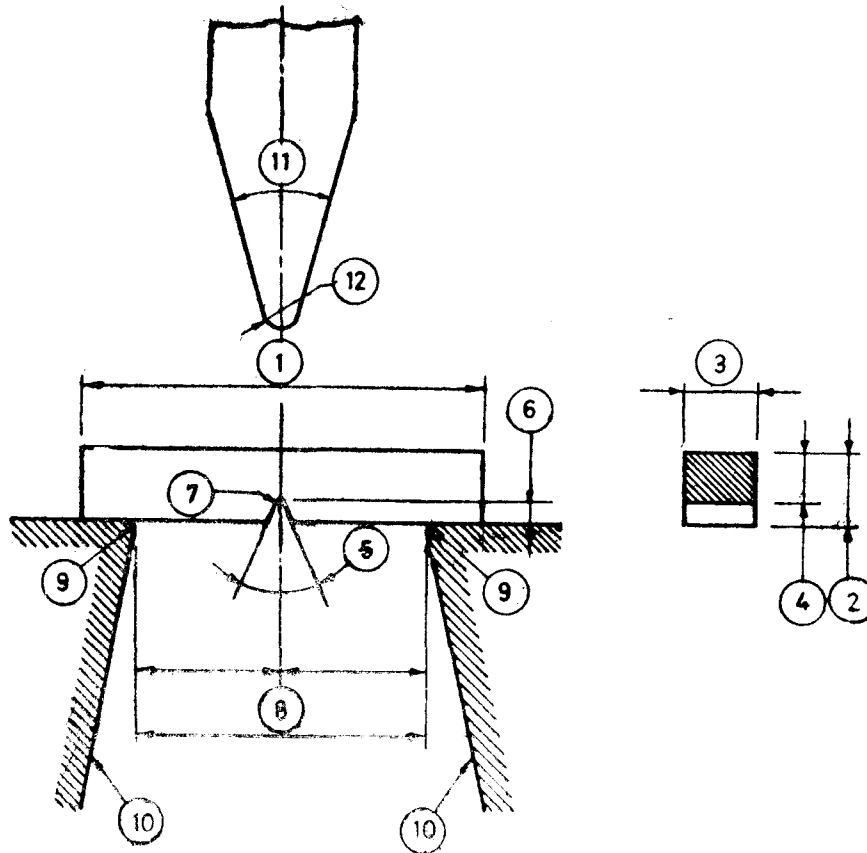


Figure — Beam Impact test (V-notch)

### 3. TEST PIECES

- 3.1 The test piece is machined all over, is 55 mm long and of square section with 10 mm sides. In the centre of the length there is a V-notch of 45° included angle, 2 mm deep, with 0.25 mm root radius.
- 3.2 The plane of symmetry of the notch is perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the test piece.
- 3.3 The following tolerances on the above dimensions are permitted :

Table 1 — Tolerances on Specified Dimensions

Designation	Nominal dimension	Machining tolerance	
		Values	ISA symbol
Length	55 mm	$\pm 0.60$ mm	j 15
Thickness	10 mm	$\pm 0.11$ mm	j 13
Width	10 mm	$\pm 0.11$ mm	j 13
Angle of notch	45°	$\pm 2^\circ$	—
Depth below notch	8 mm	$\pm 0.11$ mm	j 13
Root radius	0.25 mm	$\pm 0.025$ mm	—
Distance of plane of symmetry of notch from end of test piece	27.5 mm	$\pm 0.42$ mm	j 15
Angle between plane of symmetry of notch and the longitudinal axis of the test piece	90°	$\pm 2^\circ$	—

- 3.4 The notch may be made by any machining method. The notch should be carefully prepared so that no grooves appear at the base of the notch.

#### 4. TESTING MACHINE

- 4.1 The testing machine is constructed and installed steady and rigid.

- 4.1.1 The following conditions should be satisfied :

**Table 2 — Characteristics of Testing Machine**

Designation	Metric units
Distance between supports	40 + 0.5 mm - 0 mm
Radius of curvature of supports	1 to 1.5 mm
Taper of supports	1 : 5
Angle at tip of hammer	30° ± 1°
Radius of curvature of hammer	2 to 2.5 mm
Speed of hammer at the instant of striking	4.5 to 7 m/s*

\* It is recommended that in future machines the speed of hammer at the instant of striking should be 5 to 5.5 m/s.

- 4.1.2 The plane of swing of the hammer is vertical. The machine is constructed so that the loss of energy (such as from translation, rotation or vibration) in the machine frame-work during a test is negligible.
- 4.1.3 The centre of percussion should be at the point of impact of the hammer.
- 4.1.4 The accuracy of the graduation of the scale of the machine is ± 0.5 per cent of the maximum striking energy of the machine.
- 4.2 For a standard test the striking energy of the testing machine is 30 ± 1 kgf m. The energy absorbed under these conditions is denoted by kV.



- 4.8** Testing machines with different striking energies are permitted, in which case the symbol kV is supplemented by an index.

## 5. TEST REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1** The test piece should lie squarely against the supports with the plane of symmetry of the notch within 0.5 mm of the plane midway between them. It should be struck by the hammer in the plane of symmetry of the notch and on the side opposite the notch.
- 5.2** The temperature of the test piece at the moment of breaking should not differ from the specified temperature by more than  $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ , unless some other tolerance is agreed. If the temperature of testing is not specified, it is taken as  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$  in temperate climates and  $27^{\circ}\text{C}$  in tropical climates, subject in each case to the above tolerance. In all cases the temperature of test is to be recorded.
- 5.3** If, during the test, the test piece is deformed, but not completely broken, the impact value obtained is indefinite. The test report should state that the test piece was unbroken by X kgf m or lbf. ft.

**Note :** There is no general process for converting the results obtained by one method of test into those which would be obtained by another method of test.

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