Components for slings – Safety – Part 1: Forged steel components, Grade 8


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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 168 "Chains, ropes, webbing, slings and accessories – Safety", the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by February 2001, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by February 2001.

This European Standard has been prepared under a mandate given to CEN by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

For relationship with EU Directive(s), see informative Annex ZA, which is an integral part of this standard.

The other Parts of EN 1677 for components for slings are:

- Part 2: Forged steel lifting hooks with latch - Grade 8
- Part 3: Forged steel self-locking hooks - Grade 8
- Part 4: Links - Grade 8
- Part 5: Forged steel lifting hooks with latch - Grade 4
- Part 6: Links - Grade 4

Annexes A and B of this European standard are informative.

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0 Introduction

This European Standard has been prepared to be a harmonized standard providing one means of complying with the essential safety requirements of the Machinery Directive and associated EFTA regulations.

The components covered by this Part of EN 1677 are normally supplied to be part of a sling, but they may also be used for other applications. In such instances it is important that the component design is checked to ensure its fitness for the intended use.

The extent to which hazards are covered is indicated in the scope. In addition, lifting equipment shall conform as appropriate to EN 292 for hazards that are not covered by this standard.

1 Scope

This Part of EN 1677 specifies general requirements for forged steel components of grade 8 up to 63 t WLL, mainly for use in:

- chain slings according to EN 818-4;
- steel wire rope slings according to prEN 13414-1:1999;
- textile slings according to EN 1492-1:2000, EN 1492-2:2000

intended for lifting objects, materials or goods.

This standard does not apply to hand forged components and welded links, nor to other welded components.

The hazards covered by this Part of EN 1677 are identified in clause 4.

Annex A is informative, and gives the bases for calculation of tabulated values of mechanical properties.

Annex B is informative, and gives an example of a designation system for forged steel lifting components of grade 8.

Annex ZA gives the relationship with EU-Directives
2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates, by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 292-1 Safety of machinery - Basic concepts - General principles for design
Part 1: Basic terminology, methodology

EN 292-2 : 1991/
A1 : 1995 Safety of machinery - Basic concepts - General principles for design
Part 2: Technical principles and specifications (Amendment 1: 1995)

EN 818-4 Short-link chain for lifting purposes - Safety
Part 4: Chain slings Grade 8

EN 818-6:2000 Short-link chain for lifting purposes - Safety
Part 6: Chain slings - Specification for information for use and maintenance to be provided by the manufacturer

EN 1050 : 1996 Safety of machinery - Principles of risk assessment

EN 1492-1:2000 Textile slings - Safety
Part 1: Flat woven webbing slings made of man-made fibres

EN 1492-2:2000 Textile slings - Safety
Part 2: Round slings made of man-made fibres

prEN 13414-1:1999 Steel wire rope slings – Safety
Part 1: Wire rope slings

EN ISO 9001 Quality systems - Model for quality assurance in design/development, production, installation and servicing

EN ISO 9002:1994 Quality systems - Model for quality assurance in production, installation and servicing

EN 10002-2 : 1991 Metallic materials - Tensile testing -
Part 2: Verification of the force measuring system of the tensile testing machine

EN 10025: 1993 Hot rolled products of non-alloy structural steels - Technical delivery conditions

EN 10228-1: 1999 Non-destructive testing of steel forgings
Part 1: Magnetic partial inspection

EN 10228-2: 1998 Non-destructive testing of steel forgings
Part 2: Penetrant testing

EN 45012 General criteria for certification bodies operating quality system certification

ISO 643 Steels - Micrographic determination of the ferritic or austenitic grain size
3 Terms and Definitions

For the purpose of this Part of EN 1677 the following definitions apply.

3.1 **working load limit (WLL):** Maximum mass that a component is authorized to sustain in general lifting service, expressed as a code.

   NOTE: This term has the same meaning as the term maximum working load used in annex A of EN 292-2: 1991/A1: 1995.

3.2 **manufacturing proof force (MPF):** Force applied to the component during the manufacturing proof test.

3.3 **breaking force (BF):** Maximum force reached during the static tensile test of the component, at which the component fails to retain the load.

3.4 **traceability code:** Series of letters and/or numbers marked on a component that enables its manufacturing history, including the identity of the cast of steel used, to be traced.

3.5 **competent person:** Designated person, suitably trained, qualified by knowledge and practical experience, and with the necessary instruction to enable the required test and examination to be carried out.


3.6 **lot:** Specified number of components from which samples are selected for testing purposes, and that have been manufactured from the same cast of steel and subjected to the same heat treatment process.
4 Hazards

Accidental release of a load, or release of a load due to failure of a component puts at risk, either directly or indirectly, the safety or health of those persons within the danger zone.

In order to provide the necessary strength and durability of components this Part of EN 1677 gives requirements for the design, manufacture and testing to ensure the specified levels of performance are met.

Since failure can be caused by the incorrect choice of grade and specification of component, this Part of EN 1677 also gives requirements for marking and the manufacturer’s certificate.

Risk of injury due to sharp edges, sharp angles or rough surfaces when handling is also covered by this Part of EN 1677.

Those aspects of safe use associated with good practice are given in EN 818-6:2000.

Table 1 contains those hazards which require action to reduce risk identified by risk assessment as being specific and significant for forged steel components, Grade 8.

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5 Safety requirements

5.1 General

5.1.1 Articulation

The dimensions of the forged steel components covered by this Part of EN 1677 shall be such as to ensure articulation so that the force imposed is transmitted in the intended direction.

5.1.2 Relative movement

Parts of mechanical joining devices, such as pins and their securing elements, shall be so designed and manufactured that, after assembly, no unintended displacement can occur.

NOTE: The effects of wear, corrosion of securing elements or rough usage should be considered.

5.2 Materials and heat treatment

5.2.1 Quality of material

5.2.1.1 General

Within the limitations given in 5.2.1.2 to 5.2.1.4 the manufacturer shall select the type of steel, to be used so that the finished component, when suitably heat-treated conforms to the mechanical properties specified in this Part of EN 1677.

5.2.1.2 Type of steel

The steel shall be produced by an electric process or by an oxygen blown process.

5.2.1.3 Deoxidation

The steel shall be fully killed as defined in EN 10025: 1993, be stabilized against strain age embrittlement, and have an austenitic grain size of 5 or finer when tested in accordance with ISO 643.

This shall be accomplished by ensuring that the steel contains sufficient aluminium (minimum 0.025 %) to permit the manufacture of components stabilized against strain age embrittlement during service.
5.2.1.4 Chemical composition

The steel shall contain alloying elements in sufficient quantities so that the finished component, when heat treated in accordance with 5.2.2, not only conforms to the mechanical properties specified in this Part of EN 1677, but also possesses adequate low temperature ductility in order to work satisfactorily in the temperature range -40 °C to 400 °C.

The steel shall contain at least two of the three alloying elements, in the minimum percentages shown in table 2.

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The steel shall contain no more sulfur and phosphorus than the limits given in table 3.

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5.2.2 Heat treatment

Each component shall be hardened from a temperature above the AC3 point and tempered before being subjected to the manufacturing proof force. The tempering temperature shall be a minimum of 400 °C.

The tempering conditions shall be at least as effective as a temperature of 400 °C maintained for a period of 1 h.

NOTE: A method of verification is as follows. After the components have been reheated to and maintained for 1 h at 400 °C and then cooled to room temperature; they should conform in the finished condition to columns 3 and 4 of table 4.

Surface hardening shall not be permitted for load bearing parts of the component.