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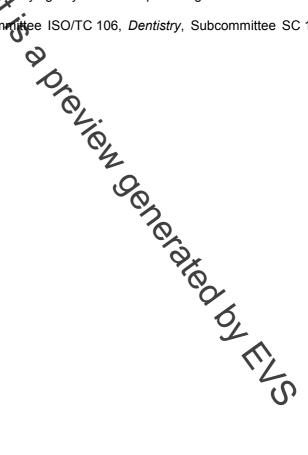
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Introduction

This first edition of ISO 15841 has been developed as a result of the difficulty often encountered by clinicians in making meaningful comparisons between wires using the information currently available from manufacturers and suppliers.

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Dentistry — Wires for use in orthodontics

1 Scope

This International standard specifies requirements and test methods for wires to be used in fixed and removable orthodontic appliances. It includes preformed orthodontic archwires but excludes springs and other preformed components.

This International Standard gives detailed requirements concerning the presentation of the physical and mechanical properties of ormodontic wires, the test methods by which they can be determined, packaging, and labelling information.

Specified qualitative and quantitative requirements for freedom from biological hazard are not included in this International Standard but it is recommended that to assess possible biological or toxicological hazards, reference should be made to ISO 7405 and ISO 10993-1.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indicpensable for the application of this document. For dated references only the edition cited applies. For indated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1942, Dentistry - Vocabulary

ISO 6892, Metallic materials — Tensile testing at ambient temperature

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in 1942 and the following apply.

3.1

austenite-finish temperature

 T_{af}

temperature at which the metallurgical transformation from the low-temperature martensite phase to the high-temperature austenite phase is completed

3.2

bending stiffness

 S_{b}

increment of load to produce a unit increment of deflection in the proportional region, expressed in N/mm (e.g. used in the bend test)

3.3

descriptor

code to identify the nominal cross-sectional dimension(s) of a wire in thousandths of an inch without unit designation, in accordance with accepted orthodontic practice (e.g., 16, 18, 17×25 , 21×21)