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Foreword

This European Standard has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 207 "Furniture", the secretariat of which is held by IBN.

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Introduction

Various designs of furniture for general office use exist as a consequence of rapid technological evolutions. This standard relates to office furniture of contemporary design.

The dimensional requirements of the tables and desks are based upon the 5th and 95th percentile of the European office user group. In general, this is the 5th percentile female and the 95th percentile male. To accomplish the needs of users outside this span, individual solutions can be applied. Some European countries can have 5th percentile females and/or 95th percentile males outside this European user group.

It is difficult to define « office furniture for general use ». This standard assumes that to be suitable for « general use » tables need to be able to accommodate the user and the equipment and materials, necessary to carry out the job requirements. This will usually include the majority of the items listed in 3.1.

There is considerable diversity in the terminology used to describe office furniture in different countries. Some terms, when translated, have implications in one language which are not present in another. Other terms, in particular « workstation » have been given specific definitions in regulations which differ from common usage in the office furniture market. For these reasons, the word « workstation » is not used in this standard, and the term « work surface » has been defined as a neutral term for the principal upper surface of a table.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies dimensions of office tables and desks in general use.

Note: In this standard, the words « table » and « desk » have the same meaning. For simplicity, only the word « desk » is used in the remainder of the standard.

It includes neither dimensions for drawers nor those for other tables or reception desks.

2 Definitions

For the purposes of this Standard, the following definitions apply:

2.1 Desk for general use

Desks which are intended to be purchased by a wide range of users. It excludes antique desks or reproductions of them.

2.2 Office desk / desk

A unit predominantly designed for office tasks to be undertaken in a seated position.