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General Comment

Subject: the minimal diameter of of round pushbuttons

Section 3.1.2.2-1 and Figure 3.2 captioned "Recommended dimensions for unguarded and nonrecessed pushbuttons" recommend the minimal diameter of 10mm for fingertip operation of the pushbutton in question.

We will appreciate your effort to rethink the rationale undrlying this rather limiting condition.

Please consider instead the use of pushbuttons sized 6mm (minimal) in diameter for fingertip operation. Conventionl control panels whose control desktiles are equipped with 6mm sized pushbuttons are installed in the control rooms of numerous nuclear power plants in Germany and all over the world.

Dedicated tests to validate the adequacy of pushbuttons sized 6mm for their intended fingertip use were all successful.

The gained experience of operating the numerous plants mentioned above confirmed these tests' outcome without exception.