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## Detailed Explanation

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This specification bridges two distinct but complementary standards: ISO 8573-2 governs compressed air quality—critical for reliable pneumatic clamping actuators—by defining maximum permissible levels of particulate, water vapor, and oil contaminants (Classes 1–6) that affect cylinder seal life and valve responsiveness. VDI 2230 provides the analytical backbone for calculating and verifying the preload, friction, and load-sharing behavior of bolted joints used in fixture baseplates, locators, and clamping modules—ensuring structural integrity under dynamic machining loads. Together, they form a de facto design protocol where interface modules (e.g., T-slot plates, grid-based locator blocks, quick-change pneumatic clamps) must comply with both clean-air delivery requirements (to prevent actuator failure) and rigorous mechanical joint verification (to avoid loosening or plastic deformation during milling or grinding). Applications span high-mix, low-volume production environments requiring frequent fixture reconfiguration; compliance ensures that modular components from different vendors maintain positional accuracy ( $< \pm 0.02$  mm), clamping force consistency ( $> 95\%$  nominal retention over 10,000 cycles), and contamination resilience in automated cells. Implementation typically involves tolerance stack-up analysis per ISO 2768, pneumatic circuit schematics annotated with ISO 8573-2 class labels, and VDI 2230-based bolt calculation reports for all critical fasteners.

## Key Components

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| # | Component                                        |
|---|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | ISO 8573-2 Compressed Air Purity Class Interface |

| # | Component                                                                                |
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| 2 | VDI 2230 Bolted Joint Preload & Load Distribution System                                 |
| 3 | Modular Grid-Mounting Interface (e.g., 50 mm or 100 mm pitch T-slot/round-hole patterns) |

## Applications

| # | Application                                            |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Automotive body-in-white (BIW) fixture reconfiguration |
| 2 | Aerospace composite layup and drilling jigs            |
| 3 | High-precision CNC multi-part pallet systems           |

## Related Concepts

| # | Concept                              |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Tolerance Stack-Up Analysis          |
| 2 | Pneumatic Circuit Design             |
| 3 | Workholding Repeatability (ISO 9283) |

## Tags

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Modular Fixture Interface Standard Specification (ISO 8573-2 + VDI 2230)