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### Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 158, *Analysis of gases*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 16664:2004), which has been technically revised. The major changes are the following:

- [Figures 1](#) and [5](#) have been revised to more clearly depict the arrangements;
- several references and terminological entries have been updated.

## **Introduction**

This document uses the terms “calibration gas” for both gas mixtures and pure gases as the limiting case of gas mixtures.

The quality of calibration gases in cylinders as certified by producers is defined by

- a) the correct analyte content;
- b) a known uncertainty which is appropriate for its intended use;
- c) the stability;
- d) the homogeneity.

During its utilization period, the quality of calibration gases is influenced by

- storage conditions at the manufacturer’s and user’s sites;
- transport conditions;
- modes of calibration gas withdrawal and transfer;
- the transfer system employed.



# Gas analysis — Handling of calibration gases and gas mixtures — Guidelines

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS** — National and international safety regulations concerning storage, use and transportation of pure gases and gas mixtures are to be followed in addition to this document.

## 1 Scope

This document describes factors that may influence the composition of pure gases and homogeneous gas mixtures used for calibration purposes. This document only applies to gases or gas mixtures that are within the “utilization period”. It provides the following guidelines for the handling and use of calibration gas mixtures:

- storage of calibration gas cylinders;
- calibration gas withdrawal from cylinders;
- transfer of calibration gas from cylinders to the point of calibration.

It also outlines a method of assessing the stability of a gas mixture, taking into account the gas composition uncertainty given on the certificate and the user’s measurement uncertainty.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

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

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

### 3.1

#### **calibration gas**

pure gas or gas mixture used for calibration

### 3.2

#### **calibration gas mixture**

gas mixture of known *stability* (3.9) and *homogeneity* (3.4) whose composition is well established for use in the calibration or verification of a measuring instrument or for the validation of a measurement

Note 1 to entry: Calibration gas mixtures are measurement standards ([Annex A](#)) as defined in ISO/IEC Guide 99:2007.

[SOURCE: ISO 7504:2015, 5.1]

### 3.3

#### **component**

chemical entity at a defined physical state present in a material or in a mixture

[SOURCE: ISO 7504:2015, 3.3]

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