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- c) updated normative references;
- d) updated terms and definitions;
- e) modified Table 1;

- f) addition of Table 2;
- g) new text in Subclauses 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4;
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- Part 1-20: *Guidance for assessing the fire hazard of electrotechnical products – Ignitability – General guidance*
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INTRODUCTION

In the design of any electrotechnical product, the risk of fire and the potential hazards associated with fire need to be considered. In this respect the objective of component, circuit and equipment design, as well as the choice of materials, is to reduce the risk of fire to a tolerable level even in the event of reasonably foreseeable (mis)use, malfunction or failure. This standard, together with its companions, IEC 60695-1-11 and IEC 60695-1-12, provides guidance on how this is to be accomplished.

The use of compartments with fire-resistant boundaries, and the use of detection and suppression systems are important methods for the mitigation of fire risk, but are not dealt with in this standard. Fires involving electrotechnical products can be initiated from external non-electrical sources. Considerations of this nature are dealt with in an overall fire hazard assessment.

The aim of the IEC 60695 series of standards is to save lives and property by reducing the number of fires or reducing the consequences of the fire. This can be accomplished by:

- trying to prevent ignition caused by an electrically energised component part and, in the event of ignition, to confine any resulting fire within the bounds of the enclosure of the electrotechnical product;
- trying to minimise flame spread beyond the product's enclosure and to minimise the harmful effects of fire effluents including heat, smoke, and toxic or corrosive combustion products.

Assessing the fire hazard of electrotechnical products is accomplished by performing fire hazard tests. These tests are divided into two fundamental groups: qualitative fire tests and quantitative fire tests.

Fire testing of electrotechnical products should, whenever possible, be carried out using quantitative fire tests having the following characteristics.

- a) The test should take into account the circumstances of product use, i.e. contemplated end-use conditions as well as foreseeable abnormal use. This is because fire conditions that may be hazardous under one set of circumstances will not necessarily pose the same threat under a different set.
- b) It should be possible to correlate the test results with the harmful effects of fire effluents referred to above, i.e. the thermal and airborne threats to people and/or property in the relevant end-use situation. This avoids the creation of artificial, and sometimes distorted, performance scales with no clear relationship to fire safety.
- c) Recognizing that there are usually multiple contributions to the effects of real fires, the test results should be expressed in well-defined terms and using rational scientific units, so that the product's contribution to the overall fire effects can be quantitatively assessed and compared with that of other products' contributions.

Although quantitative tests are preferred, the characteristics of qualitative fire tests are that they provide pass/fail and classification results. Under certain circumstances it will be appropriate to maintain such qualitative test methods or to develop new ones. This part of IEC 60695-1 establishes the circumstances under which such maintenance or development is appropriate.

FIRE HAZARD TESTING –

Part 1-10: Guidance for assessing the fire hazard of electrotechnical products – General guidelines

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695-1 provides general guidance with respect to fire hazard testing on how to reduce to a tolerable level the risk of fire and the potential effects of fires involving electrotechnical products. It also serves as a signpost standard to the other guidance publications in the IEC 60695 series.

It does not give guidance on the use of fire-resistant compartment boundaries or on the use of detection and suppression systems for the mitigation of fire risk.

It describes the relationship between fire risk and the potential effects of fire, and provides guidance to IEC product committees on the applicability of qualitative and quantitative fire tests to the fire hazard assessment of electrotechnical products. Details of the calculation of fire risk are not included in the scope of this document.

It emphasises the importance of the scenario approach to fire hazard and risk assessment and discusses criteria intended to ensure the development of technically sound hazard-based fire test methods.

It discusses the different types of fire tests, in particular the nature of qualitative and quantitative fire tests. It also describes the circumstances under which it is appropriate for IEC product committees to maintain or develop qualitative fire tests.

This standard is intended as guidance to IEC committees, and is to be used with respect to their individual applications.

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