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- a) the main aim of this revision is to connect the testing level to the seismic activity level of the zone where the equipment could be installed;
- b) a standard shape for the required response spectrum is also given for the general seismic class for which the seismic environment is either not known or is imprecisely known;

- c) Clauses 11 to 15 were renumbered and some adjustments were made as their content is very general and the requirements can be applied both to the general seismic class and to the specific seismic class;
- d) the word “envelope” is replaced with “dominance” and “to envelop” with “to dominate” in order to provide a more precise meaning from a mathematical point of view.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60068 applies primarily to electro-technical equipment but its application can be extended to other equipment and to components.

In addition, if some type of analysis is always performed when making a seismic qualification, for example for the choice of the representative sample to be tested or for the extension of the seismic qualification from the tested specimen to similar specimens, the verification of the performance of an equipment by analysis or by a combination of testing and analysis can be acceptable but is outside the scope of this document, which is restricted to verification based entirely upon data from dynamic testing.

This document deals solely with the seismic testing of a full-size equipment which can be tested on a vibration table. The seismic testing of an equipment is intended to demonstrate its ability to perform its required function during and/or after the time it is subjected to the stresses and displacements resulting from an earthquake.

The object of this document is to present a range of methods of testing which, when specified by the relevant specification, can be applied to demonstrate the performance of equipment for which seismic testing is required with the main aim of achieving qualification.

NOTE Qualification by so-called “fragility-testing” is not considered to be within the scope of this document which has been prepared to give generally applicable guidance on seismic testing and specifically on the use of IEC 60068-2 test methods.

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