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ISO 19706	2007	Guidelines for assessing the fire threat to people	-	-
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- a flowchart has been added for the evaluation and consideration of smoke test methods.

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IEC 60695-6-30	_ 1)	Part 6: Guidance and test methods on the assessment of obscuration hazard of vision caused by smoke opacity from electrotechnical products involved in fires - Section 30: Small-scale static method - Determination of smoke opacity - Description of the apparatus	-	-
IEC 60695-6-31	- 1)	Part 6-31: Smoke obscuration - Small-scale static test - Materials	-	-
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ISO 13943	2000	Fire safety - Vocabulary	EN ISO 13943	2000
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## FIRE HAZARD TESTING -

# Part 6-1: Smoke obscuration – General guidance

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- Modified title.
- Updated normative references.
- Expanded terms and definitions.
- Numerous editorial changes of a technical nature throughout the publication.
- A flowchart has been added for the evaluation and consideration of smoke test methods.

It has the status of a basic safety publication in accordance with IEC Guide 104 and ISO/IEC Guide 51.

This standard is to be used in conjunction with IEC 60695-6-2.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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Part 6-1: Smoke obscuration – General guidance

Part 6-2: Smoke obscuration – Summary and relevance of test methods

Part 6-30: Smoke obscuration - Guidance and test methods on the assessment of

obscuration hazard of vision caused by smoke opacity from electrotechnical products involved in fires - Small scale static method - Determination of smoke

opacity - Description of the apparatus

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# INTRODUCTION

The risk of fire needs to be considered in any electrical circuit, and the objective of component, circuit and equipment design, as well as the choice of material, is to reduce the likelihood of fire, even in the event of foreseeable abnormal use, malfunction or failure.

Electrotechnical products, primarily victims of a fire, may nevertheless contribute to the fire. One of the contributing hazards is the release of smoke, which may cause loss of vision and/or disorientation which could impede escape from the building or fire fighting.

Smoke particles reduce the visibility due to light absorption and scattering. Consequently, people may experience difficulties in finding exit signs, doors and windows. Visibility is often determined as the distance at which an object is no longer visible. It depends on many factors, but close relationships have been established between visibility and the measurements of the extinction coefficient of smoke – see Annex A.

The production of smoke and its optical properties can be measured as well as other fire properties, such as heat release, flame spread, and the production of toxic gas and corrosive effluent. This part of IEC 60695-6 serves as a guidance document and focuses on obscuration of light by smoke.

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# FIRE HAZARD TESTING -

# Part 6-1: Smoke obscuration – General guidance

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 gives guidance on:

- a) optical measurement of smoke obscuration;
- b) general aspects of optical smoke test methods;
- c) consideration of test methods;
- d) expression of smoke test data;
- e) relevance of optical smoke data to hazard assessment.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications in the preparation of its publications.

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IEC 60695-4:2001, Fire hazard testing - Part 4: Terminology concerning fire tests

IEC 60695-6-2:2001, Fire hazard testing - Part 6-2: Smoke obscuration - Summary and relevance of test methods

IEC 60695-6-30, Fire hazard testing — Part 6: Guidance and test methods on the assessment of obscuration hazard of vision caused by smoke opacity from electrotechnical products involved in fires — Section 30: Small-scale static method — Determination of smoke opacity — Description of the apparatus

IEC 60695-6-31, Fire hazard testing - Part 6-31: Smoke obscuration - Small-scale static test - Materials

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