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| IEC 60584-2 + A1 | 1982 1989 | Thermocouples - Part 2: Tolerances | EN 60584-2 | 1993 |
| IEC Guide 104 | 1997 | The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications |) - | - |
| ISO/IEC Guide 51 | 1999 | Safety aspects - Guidelines for their inclusion in standards | - | - |
| ISO 13943 | 2008 | Fire safety - Vocabulary | EN ISO 13943 | 2010 |
| ASTM B187 | - | Standard Specification for Copper, Bus Bar, Rod, and Shapes and General Purpose Rod, Bar, and Shapes | - | - |

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International Standard IEC 60695-11-4 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 89: Fire hazard testing.

This first edition of IEC 60695-11-4 cancels and replaces the second edition of technical specification IEC/TS 60695-11-4 published in 2004. It constitutes a technical revision and now has the status of an International Standard.

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

The main changes with respect to the previous edition are the integration of minor editorial and technical changes throughout the text.

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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

A list of all the parts in the IEC 60695 series, under the general title *Fire hazard testing*, can be found on the IEC website.

IEC 60695-11 consists of the following parts:

- Part 11-2: Test flames 1 kW nominal pre-mixed flame Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance
- Part 11-3: Test flames 500 W flames Apparatus and confirmational test methods
- Part 11-4: Test flames 50 W flame Apparatus and confirmational test method
- Part 11-5: Test flames Needle-flame test method Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance
- Part 11-10: Test flames 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods
- Part 11-11: Test flames Determination of the characteristic heat flux for ignition from a noncontacting flame source
- Part 11-20: Test flames 500 W flame test methods
- Part 11-30: Test flames History and development from 1979 to 1999
- Part 11-40: Test flames Confirmatory tests Guidance

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INTRODUCTION

The best method for testing electrotechnical products with regard to fire hazard is to duplicate exactly the conditions occurring in practice. In most instances, this is not possible. Accordingly, for practical reasons, the testing of electrotechnical products with regard to fire hazard is best conducted by simulating as closely as possible the actual effects occurring in practice.

Work initiated by ACOS resulted in a series of standards that make available standardized test flames covering a range of powers for the use of all product committees needing such test flames. A needle flame is described in IEC 60695-11-5, two 500 W flames are described in IEC 60695-11-4, and a 1 kW flame is described in IEC 60695-11-2.

This international standard provides a description of the apparatus required to produce a 50 W test flame and a description of a calibration procedure to check that the test flame produced meets given requirements. Guidance on confirmatory tests for test flames is given in IEC 60695-11-40.

Three 50 W test flame methods (A, B and C) were originally specified in IEC/TS 60695-11-4:2000, with the intention that users would determine a ranking preference. This process has resulted in two of these flame methods being withdrawn, as shown below:

| 50 W test flame method | Flame type Gas | | Approximate flame height / mm | |
|------------------------|----------------|---------|-------------------------------|--|
| А | Pre-mixed | Methane | 20 | |
| В | Withdrawn | | | |
| С | Withdrawn | | | |

The method described in Clause 4 of this standard is the method that was originally designated as Method A. It produces a 50 W nominal test flame using a single gas supply tube, a needle valve to adjust the gas back pressure, a flowmeter to adjust the gas flow rate, and adjustable air ports on the burner tube.

The flame is produced by burning methane, and the method makes use of a more tightly specified version of a burner that was used in some countries for many years.

The method has been developed as a technical enhancement of previous technology.

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FIRE HAZARD TESTING -

Part 11-4: Test flames – 50 W flame – Apparatus and confirmational test method

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 provides detailed requirements for the production of a 50 W nominal, pre-mixed type test flame. The approximate overall height of the flame is 20 mm. Details are given for confirmation of the test flame.

This basic safety publication is intended for use by technical committees in the preparation of standards in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC Guide 104 and ISO/IEC Guide 51.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications in the preparation of its publications. The requirements, test methods or test conditions of this basic safety publication will not apply unless specifically referred to or included in the relevant publications.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60584-1:1995, Thermocouples – Part 1: Reference tables

IEC 60584-2:1989, *Thermocouples – Part 2: Tolerances* Amendment 1

IEC Guide 104:1997, The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications

ISO/IEC Guide 51:1999, Safety aspects – Guidelines for their inclusion in standards

ISO/IEC 13943:2008, Fire safety - Vocabulary

ASTM-B187/B187M-06, Standard Specification for Copper, Bus Bar, Rod, and Shapes and General Purpose Rod, Bar, and Shapes

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO/IEC 13943, some of which are reproduced below for the users' convenience, as well as the following apply.

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