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This document (EN 61121:2013) consists of the text of IEC 61121:2012 prepared by IEC/SC 59D "Home laundry appliances" of IEC/TC 59 "Performance of household and similar electrical appliances", together with the common modifications prepared by CLC/TC 59X "Performance of household and similar electrical appliances".

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This document supersedes EN 61121:2005.

EN 61121:2013 includes the following significant technical changes with respect to EN 61121:2005:

- a) a test procedure for a combined test sequence of full and **partial load** was introduced;
- b) a test procedure for measuring power consumption in low power modes is introduced;
- c) a formula to calculate the energy consumption of **tumble dryers** including low power modes was added;
- d) control procedures for checking measured values in comparison to values declared by the manufacturer under consideration of permitted tolerances are updated.

Clauses, subclauses, notes, tables and figures which are additional to those in IEC 61121:2012 are prefixed "Z".

Words in **bold** in the text are defined in Clause 3.

This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CENELEC by the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association, and supports essential requirements of EU Directive(s).

This European Standard specifies, as far as necessary, the test methods which shall be applied in accordance with the COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No 392/2012 implementing Directive 2010/30/EU the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to energy labelling of household **tumble dryers** and in accordance with the COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 932/2012 implementing Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to ecodesign requirements for household **tumble dryers**.

The procedures described in this European Standard were modified substantially compared to the previous version, e.g. with regard to **partial load**. Therefore, results of tests according to this standard cannot and shall not be directly compared to results of similar procedures of previous versions. In addition, results based on a specific reference **programme** shall not be compared to results based on other reference programs.

Annex ZA sets out the procedure to be applied for testing according to Commission Regulations with regard to energy labelling and ecodesign and provides all necessary links to all relevant clauses of this European Standard.

Annex ZB provides control procedures for checking measured values in comparison to values declared by the manufacturer under consideration of permitted tolerances.

Annex ZC lists normative references.

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COMMON MODIFICATIONS

1 Scope

Add the following note:

NOTE Z1 The methods of measuring the performance of tumble dryers which use gas as a heating source are covered by EN 1458-2.

2 Normative references

Add the following references:

EN 60704-1, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Test code for the determination of airborne noise — Part 1: General requirements (IEC 60704-1)*

EN 60704-2-6, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Test code for the determination of airborne acoustical noise – Part 2-6: Particular requirements for tumble dryers (IEC 60704-2-6)*

EN 60704-3, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Test code for the determination of airborne acoustical noise – Part 3: Procedure for determining and verifying declared noise emission values (IEC 60704-3)*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols

3.1 Terms and definitions

Replace definition 3.1.4 by the following

3.1.4

automatic tumble dryer

tumble dryer which has at least one programme which switches off the drying process when a certain moisture content of the load is reached

Note 1 to entry: This may include systems that use conductivity or temperature sensing.

Add the following definitions:

3.1.Z1

full load

rated capacity for cotton textiles

3.1.Z2

partial load

half of the **rated capacity** for cotton textiles

NOTE See Annex ZA for additional requirements.

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TUMBLE DRYERS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE – METHODS FOR MEASURING THE PERFORMANCE

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition published in 2002 and Amendment 1 (2005). This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

a) General:

- more terms have been defined and some previous definitions have been streamlined, in addition to the correction of some symbols and equations;
- where possible, definitions and terms have been used in common with IEC 60456:2010;
- the content has been organised into a more logical and simple structure, and repetitive sections have been removed.

b) Conditions of measurement:

- the wording of various sections has been revised to reduce ambiguity;
- limits have been defined for water characteristics for automatic tumble dryers that are sensitive to conductivity as well as methods to adjust these characteristics where necessary.

c) Reproducibility and repeatability of test results:

- revision of the specification for the cotton **test load** to include suitable test materials which are currently available on the market;
- more careful definition of the process and conditions for **pre-treatment, conditioning and normalization**.

d) Test methods:

- accuracy of measurement has been defined for all instruments;
- limits and interpretations of the allowable **final moisture content** for each type of dryer are now defined;
- practical advice regarding the test procedure has been given with the aim of reducing ambiguity.

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The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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- amended.

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INTRODUCTION

This fourth edition has been developed in light of experience with use of the third edition of IEC 61121. The structure has been revised to ensure that this remains harmonised with the IEC 60456:2010 for clothes washers.

TUMBLE DRYERS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE – METHODS FOR MEASURING THE PERFORMANCE

1 Scope

This International Standard is applicable to household electric **tumble dryers** of the **automatic** and **non-automatic** type, with or without a cold water supply and incorporating a heating device. This excludes **tumble dryers** which use gas or other fuels as a heating source.

The object is to state and define the principal performance characteristics of household electric **tumble dryers** of interest to users and to describe standard methods for measuring these characteristics.

NOTE This International Standard applies also to **tumble dryers** for communal use in blocks of flats or in launderettes. It does not apply to **tumble dryers** for commercial laundries.

2 Normative references

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

IEC 60335-2-11:2008, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 2-11: Particular requirements for tumble dryers*

IEC 60456:2010, *Clothes washing machines for household use – Methods for measuring the performance*

IEC 60734:-1, *Household electrical appliances – Performance – Water for testing*

IEC 62053-21:2003, *Electricity metering equipment (a.c.) – Particular requirements – Part 21: Static meters for active energy (classes 1 and 2)*

IEC 62301:2011, *Household electrical appliances – Measurement of standby power*

ISO 5167-1:2003, *Measurement of fluid flow by means of pressure differential devices inserted in circular cross-section conduits running full – Part 1: General principles and requirements*

ISO 80000-1:2009, *Quantities and units – Part 1: General*

3 Terms, definitions and symbols

3.1 Terms and definitions

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