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- new Subclause 9.1.4 Conditioning of the cotton pad has been added;
- new Subclause 9.2.4 Evaluation of "burned to the holding clamp" has been added;
- the Bibliography has been updated and references added.

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| IEC Guide 104 | - | The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications | - | - |
| ISO/IEC Guide 51 | - | Safety aspects - Guidelines for their inclusion in standards | - | - |
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| ISO 293 | - | Plastics - Compression moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials | EN ISO 293 | - |
| ISO 294 | Series | Plastics - Injection moulding of test specimens of thermoplastic materials | EN ISO 294 | Series |
| ISO 295 | - | Plastics - Compression moulding of test specimens of thermosetting materials | EN ISO 295 | - |
| ISO 307 | - | Plastics - Polyamides - Determination of viscosity number | EN ISO 307 | - |
| ISO 9773 | - | Plastics - Determination of burning behaviour of thin flexible vertical specimens in contact with a small-flame ignition source | EN ISO 9773 | - |
| ISO 16012 | - | Plastics - Determination of linear dimensions - of test specimens | - | - |

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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 product design, as well as the choice of materials, is to reduce to acceptable levels the potential risks of fire during normal operating conditions, reasonable foreseeable abnormal use, malfunction, and/or failure. IEC Technical Committee 89 has developed IEC 60695-1-10, together with its companion, IEC 60695-1-11, to provide guidance on how this is to be accomplished.

The primary aims of IEC 60695-1-10 and IEC 60695-1-11 are to provide guidance on how:

- a) to prevent ignition caused by an electrically energized component part, and
- b) to confine any resulting fire within the bounds of the enclosure of the electrotechnical product in the event of ignition.

Secondary aims of these documents include the minimization of any flame spread beyond the product's enclosure and the minimization of harmful effects of fire effluents such as heat, smoke, toxicity and/or corrosivity.

Fires involving electrotechnical products can also be initiated from external non-electrical sources. Considerations of this nature should be dealt with in the overall fire hazard assessment.

This part of IEC 60695 describes the test procedures for small scale tests to be carried out on materials used in electrotechnical equipment. A 50 W test flame is used as an ignition source. The test methods described provide classifications which may be used for quality assurance, the pre-selection of component materials of products, or to verify the required minimum flammability classification of materials used in end products.

These test methods should not be used solely to describe or appraise the fire hazard or fire risk of materials, products, or assemblies under actual fire conditions. However, results of these test methods may be used as elements of a fire hazard assessment which takes into account all of the factors which are pertinent to a particular end use.

This international standard may involve hazardous materials, operations, and equipment. It does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this international standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

FIRE HAZARD TESTING –

Part 11-10: Test flames – 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 specifies small-scale laboratory test procedures intended to compare the burning behaviour of different materials used in electrotechnical products when vertically or horizontally oriented test bar specimens are exposed to a small flame ignition source with a nominal thermal power of 50 W. These test methods determine either the linear burning rate or the self-extinguishing properties of materials.

These test methods are applicable to solid and cellular materials that have an apparent density of more than 250 kg/m³, determined in accordance with ISO 845.

Two test methods are described. Method A is a horizontal burning test and is intended to determine the linear burning rate of materials under specific test conditions. Method B is a vertical burning test and is intended to determine whether materials self-extinguish under specific test conditions.

NOTE 1 ISO 9772 [8]¹ describes a test method for the determination of the burning characteristics to be used for materials with an apparent density of 250 kg/m³ or less. ISO 9773 describes a test method for the determination of the burning behaviour to be used for materials that due to their thinness, either distort and/or are burned up to the holding clamp using Method B of this standard.

The test methods described provide classifications (see 8.4 and 9.4), which may be used for quality assurance, the pre-selection of component materials of products, or to verify the required minimum flammability classification of materials used in end products.

NOTE 2 Guidance on pre-selection is given in IEC 60695-1-30.

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 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 60695-4, *Fire hazard testing – Part 4: Terminology concerning fire tests for electrotechnical products*

¹ Figures in square brackets refer to the bibliography.