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IEC 60455-3	series	Resin based reactive compounds used for electrical insulation - Part 3: Specifications for individual materials	EN 60455-3	series
IEC 60455-3-8	2021	Resin based reactive compounds used for electrical insulation - Part 3-8: Specifications for individual materials - Resins for cable accessories	EN IEC 60455-3-8	2021
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ISO 37	2011	Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic - Determination of tensile stress-strain properties	-	-
ISO 62	2008	Plastics - Determination of water absorption	EN ISO 62	2008
ISO 75	series	Plastics and ebonite – Determination of temperature of deflection under load	EN ISO 75	series
ISO 175	2010	Plastics - Methods of test for the determination of the effects of immersion in liquid chemicals	EN ISO 175	2010
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ISO 179-1	2010	Plastics - Determination of Charpy impact properties - Part 1: Non-instrumented impact test	-	-
ISO 179-2	1997	Plastics - Determination of Charpy impact properties - Part 2: Instrumented impact test	-	-
ISO 291	-	Plastics - Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing	EN ISO 291	-
ISO 306	2013	Plastics - Thermoplastic materials - Determination of Vicat softening temperature (VST)	-	-
ISO 527	series	Plastics – Determination of tensile properties	EN ISO 527	series
ISO 584	1982	Plastics - Unsaturated polyester resins - Determination of reactivity at 80 degrees C (conventional method)	EN ISO 584	1997
ISO 604	2002	Plastics - Determination of compressive properties	EN ISO 604	2003
ISO 868	2003	Plastics and ebonite - Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness)	EN ISO 868	2003
ISO 1183-1	2019	Plastics – Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics – Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pycnometer method and titration method	EN ISO 1183-1	2019
ISO 1513	2010	Paints and varnishes - Examination and preparation of test samples	EN ISO 1513	2010
ISO 1523	2002	Determination of flash point - Closed cup equilibrium method	EN ISO 1523	2002
ISO 1675	1985	Plastics - Liquid resins - Determination of density by the pyknometer method	-	-
ISO 2039-1	1993	Plastics - Determination of hardness - Part 1: Ball indentation method	-	-
ISO 2114	2000	Plastics (polyester resins) and paints and varnishes (binders) - Determination of partial acid value and total acid value	EN ISO 2114	2000
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ISO 3001	1997	Plastics - Epoxide compounds - Determination of epoxide equivalent	-	-
ISO 3219	1993	Plastics - Polymers/resins in the liquid state or as emulsions or dispersions - Determination of viscosity using a rotational viscometer with defined shear rate	-	-
ISO 3451-1	1997	Plastics - Determination of ash - Part 1: General methods	-	-
ISO 3521	1997	Plastics - Unsaturated polyester and epoxy resins - Determination of overall volume shrinkage	EN ISO 3521	1999
ISO 3679	1983	Paints, varnishes, petroleum and related products; Determination of flashpoint; Rapid equilibrium method	-	-
ISO 4573	1978	Plastics - Epoxide resins and glycidyl esters - Determination of inorganic chlorine	-	-
ISO 4583	1998	Plastics - Epoxide resins and related materials - Determination of easily saponifiable chlorine	-	-
ISO 4615	1979	Plastics - Unsaturated polyesters and epoxide resins - Determination of total chlorine content	EN ISO 4615	1999
ISO 4625	1980	Binders for paints and varnishes - Determination of softening point - Ring-and- ball method	-	-
ISO 4895	-	Plastics - Liquid epoxy resins - Determination of tendency to crystallize	-	-
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INTRODUCTION

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The series consists of three parts:

- Part 1: Definitions and general requirements;
- Part 2: Methods of test;
- Part 3: Specifications for individual materials.

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RESIN BASED REACTIVE COMPOUNDS USED FOR ELECTRICAL INSULATION –

Part 2: Methods of test

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60455 specifies methods of test to be used for testing resin based reactive compounds, their components and cured compounds used for electrical insulation.

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