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- Part 1: Instrument characteristics and verification
- Part 2: Probe characteristics and verification
- Part 3: System characteristics and verification

# Non-destructive testing — Equipment for eddy current examination —

### Part 1:

### Instrument characteristics and verification

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 15548 identifies the functional characteristics of a general-purpose eddy current instrument and provides methods for their measurement and verification.

The evaluation of these characteristics permits a well-defined description and comparability of eddy current equipment.

By careful choice of the characteristics, a consistent and effective eddy current examination system can be designed for a specific application.

Where accessories are used, these are characterised using the principles of this part of ISO 15548.

This part of ISO 15548 gives neither the extent of verification nor acceptance criteria for the characteristics. They are given in the application documents.

### 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.

ISO 12718, Non-destructive testing — Eddy current testing — Vocabulary

ISO 15549, Non-destructive testing — Eddy current testing — General principles

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 12718 apply.

### 4 Eddy current instrument characteristics

### 4.1 General characteristics

### 4.1.1 Type of instrument

a) An instrument has a general-purpose application when the relationship between the measured quantity and the display or output is established by the user. A range of probes can be connected to the instrument. The instrument manufacturer shall provide details of the internal electrical characteristics, in order that the user can design the examination system. The examination system shall be in accordance with ISO 15549. The user shall be able to vary the value of frequency, gain, balance (unless an automatic balance is used), phase, filters and gain and zero of the display.