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- addition of information of the working volume;
- revision of the test procedure;
- revision of the figures in Annex B.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING –

### Part 2-60: Tests – Test Ke: Flowing mixed gas corrosion test

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60068-2 determines the corrosive influence of operating and storage indoor environments on electrotechnical products components, equipment and materials, particularly contacts and connections, considered separately, integrated into a subassembly or assembled as a complete equipment.

It provides test methods giving information, on a comparative basis, to aid the selection of materials, choice of production processes and component design, with regard to corrosion resistance. A guide to the selection of methods and test duration is provided in Annex C.

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IEC 60512-3-1, *Connectors for electronic equipment – Tests and measurements – Part 3-1: Insulation tests – Test 3a: Insulation resistance*

ISO 431, *Copper refinery shapes*

#### 3 Test apparatus

The test apparatus consists of a climatic system, test enclosure, gas delivery system and means for measuring gas concentration.

Details of design and construction are optional but shall be such that the conditions specified for each method are fulfilled throughout the working volume and shall comply with the following requirements:

- water droplets or aerosols shall not be injected into the test enclosure;
- air and water used shall be sufficiently clean in order not to affect performance of the test;
- the test atmosphere shall flow through the enclosure in such a manner as to ensure uniform test conditions within the working volume;
- the sampling point for gas analysis shall be in the working volume of the test enclosure;
- the exhaust gases shall be treated in accordance with the relevant regulatory stipulations;
- the wet bulb pod shall be placed in the test chamber in such a manner not to exceed 0,1 % of the cross-section of the test chamber.