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## SURFACE MOUNTING TECHNOLOGY –

### Part 2: Transportation and storage conditions of surface mounting devices (SMD) – Application guide

#### 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the transportation and storage conditions for surface mounting devices (SMDs) that are fulfilled in order to enable trouble-free processing of surface mounting devices, both active and passive. (Conditions for printed boards are not taken into consideration.)

The object of this document is to ensure that users of SMDs receive and store products that can be further processed (e.g. positioned, soldered) without prejudice to quality and reliability. Improper transportation and storage of SMDs can cause deterioration and result in assembly problems such as poor solderability, delamination and "popcorning".

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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IEC 60721-3-1:2018, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3-1: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Storage*

IEC 60721-3-2:2018, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3-2: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Transportation and handling*

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No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

#### 4 General conditions

Surface mounting devices shall be packed in such a way that products are protected during transportation and storage without loss of their properties arising from mechanical, environmental and electrical influences. Packing requirements as defined in various IEC publications, such as IEC 60286-3, IEC 60286-4, IEC 60286-5, IEC 60286-6 and IEC TR 61340-5-5 can contribute to the protection of components during transportation and storage.

If dry packing is specified and used, the IEC publications IEC 61760-4, IEC 60749-20-1 and IPC/JEDEC J-STD-033 should be consulted.

Usually, transportation conditions are less controlled than storage conditions. Nevertheless, conditions shall be controlled and deviations from the advised conditions in this document should be reduced to as little time as possible.

## 5 Transportation conditions

### 5.1 General transportation conditions

During transportation, the SMDs, including their chosen style of tapes or stick magazines, etc., shall be protected against extreme temperature, humidity, and mechanical forces. Unless otherwise specified by the component supplier, the following environmental conditions shall be met:

Climatic conditions are according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, class 2K12. Deviations from these conditions are listed below:

- low air temperature:  $-40\text{ °C}$ ;
- low air pressure: 30 kPa;
- change of air pressure: 6 kPa/min; high relative humidity 75 %;
- no dripping water;
- no condensation is allowed.

The conditions are presented in tabular form in Annex A, Table A.1.

The total number of extreme temperature events (close to limits) should be limited to a minimum during transportation and storage.

Mechanical condition is according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, class 2M4. The condition is presented in tabular form, including a figure, in Annex A, Table A.2 and Figure A.1.

Transportation shall be managed in such a way that boxes are not deformed and forces are not directly passed on to the inner packaging.

Total transportation time shall be as short as possible, but preferably not exceeding 10 days. (Total transportation time is time when products are not within controlled storage conditions.)

### 5.2 Special transportation conditions

#### 5.2.1 General

Depending on the sensitivity of the products to be transported, a choice shall be made between air transport, where conditions during flight are well controlled, or less controlled conditions, e.g. during rail or road transportation.

#### 5.2.2 Category 1 (advised for all products)

Air transport (conditions during flights with conditioned cargo room).

Climatic conditions are according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, class 2K11. Deviations from these conditions are listed below:

- low air temperature  $-40\text{ °C}$ ;
- low relative humidity 10 %;
- high relative humidity 75 %;
- low air pressure 30 kPa.



The conditions are presented in tabular form in Annex A, Table A.1.

It should be realised that waiting time and loading operations at the airport are under less controlled conditions. These shall at least fulfil the general transportation conditions stated in 5.1.

### 5.2.3 Category 2

Rail, road, and unconditioned air transportation.

Only allowed for products and packaging systems that are not sensitive to the general transportation conditions stated in 5.1.

Minimum air pressure: corresponding to an altitude of < 12 km (about 19,3 kPa).

## 6 Storage conditions

Well controlled storage conditions are a major factor in problem prevention. Do not store in locations where the soldering properties can be deteriorated by harmful gases. Conditions that can expose products to detrimental electrical field strengths should be avoided. Exposure of the products to direct solar radiation should be avoided.

The following conditions are advised:

Climatic conditions are according to IEC 60721-3-1:2018, class 1K21. Deviations from these conditions are listed below:

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- high relative humidity 75 %; [48b18c6cf8b8/iec-61760-2-2021](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/sist/1b4f8a5d-85d1-4e5c-ac63-48b18c6cf8b8/iec-61760-2-2021)
- solar radiation 700 W/m<sup>2</sup>, but direct solar radiation should be avoided.

The conditions are presented in tabular form in Annex A, Table A.3.

The storage time as given by the manufacturer specification shall not be exceeded. It is however recommended that the total storage time should not exceed two years (manufacturer and customer) but should be limited to one year after receipt of the products by the customer. In specific cases, the exact storage time and the re-qualification rules, if the time is exceeded, are given in the component specification. As a minimum, at least the solderability of the components shall be re-qualified.

If longer storage times are needed, the manufacturer should be consulted to conclude arrangements for suitable storage and packaging conditions.

During storage the original smallest packaging unit (SPU) shall not be opened, the SPU should preferably remain in the original packaging.

Even though products are stored for a shorter period of time, it is advised to apply the temperature and humidity conditions set out in this Clause 6.

For "last call" components, the storage conditions to conserve the component's properties shall be agreed between the manufacturer and the user.

## 7 Related issues

If the products in standard packaging do not fulfil the required quality and reliability goals under the shipment and storage conditions as described in Clause 5 and Clause 6, special actions shall be considered as described in IEC 60749 (all parts), IEC 61340-5-1 and IEC TR 61340-5-2.

Considerations for risk mitigation, packaged component long-term storage and associated traceability, can be found in IEC 62435 (all parts).

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## **Annex A** (informative)

### **Transportation and storage conditions**

For easy and rapid reference, this Annex A shows the content of the quoted conditions from IEC 60721-3-1:2018 and IEC 60721-3-2:2018.

The information is presented on following pages in tabular form in Table A.1, Table A.2 and Table A.3. In each table the deviations given in this document from conditions provided in IEC 60721-3-2 and from IEC 60721-3-1 are specified, if any.

Table A.1 – Classification of climatic conditions according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, Table 1.

Table A.2 – Classification of mechanical conditions according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, Table 5 and Figure 2.

Table A.3 – Storage conditions according to IEC 60721-3-1:2018, Table 1.

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**Table A.1 – Classification of climatic conditions according to IEC 60721-3-2:2018, Table 1**

Environmental parameter	Unit	Classification			
		Weather-protected		Conditions used in this document instead of those of IEC 60721-3-2	
		2K11	2K12	2K11	2K12
a) Low air temperature	°C	+5	–45	–40	–40
b) High air temperature	°C	+40	+70	+60	+60
c) Low relative humidity <sup>1)</sup>	%	5	4	10	10
d) High relative humidity <sup>1)</sup>	%	85	100	75	75
e) Low absolute humidity <sup>1)</sup>	g/m <sup>3</sup>	1	0,5		
f) High absolute humidity <sup>1)</sup>	g/m <sup>3</sup>	25	29		
g) Rate of change of temperature <sup>2)</sup>	°C/min	0,5	1,0		
h) Low air pressure <sup>3)</sup>	kPa	70	70	30	30
i) High air pressure <sup>3)</sup>	kPa	106	106	7)	7)
j) Solar radiation	W/m <sup>2</sup>	No	6)		
k) Heat radiation	Not specified	None	None		
l) Movement of surrounding air <sup>4)</sup>	m/s	1,0	1,0		
m) Condensation	Not specified	No	Yes		No
n) Precipitation (rain, snow, hail, etc.)	Not specified	No	No		
o) Rain intensity	mm/min	None	None		
p) Driving rain	m/s	None	None		
q) Snow load	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	None	None		
r) Low rain temperature <sup>5)</sup>	°C	None	None		
s) Water from sources other than rain	Not specified	No	Dripping Water		No
t) Formation of ice and frost (including freeze-thaw)	Not specified	No	Yes		
u) Temperature shock	Not specified	No	Yes		

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<sup>1)</sup> The low and high relative humidity levels are limited by the low and high absolute humidity, so that, for example, for environmental parameters a) and c), or b) and d), the severities given in Table A.1 do not occur simultaneously.

<sup>2)</sup> Averaged over a period of time of 5 min.

<sup>3)</sup> The value of 70 kPa represents a limit for open-air conditions, normally at an altitude of 3 000 m. In some geographical areas, open-air conditions can occur at higher altitudes. Conditions in mines are not considered.

<sup>4)</sup> A cooling system based on non-assisted convection can be disturbed by adverse movement of surrounding air.

<sup>5)</sup> This rain temperature should be considered together with high air temperature b) and solar radiation j). The cooling effect of the rain has to be considered in connection with the surface temperature of the product.

<sup>6)</sup> Thermal effect of solar radiation is included in the temperature.

<sup>7)</sup> Extra requirement in this document: change of air pressure 6 kPa/min.