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IEC 60068-2-21	- ¹⁾	Part 2-21: Tests - Test U: Robustness of terminations and integral mounting devices	EN 60068-2-21	1999 ²⁾
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IEC 60068-2-75	- ¹⁾	Part 2-75: Tests - Test Eh: Hammer tests	EN 60068-2-75	1997 ²⁾
IEC 60068-2-78	- ¹⁾	Part 2-78: Tests - Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state	EN 60068-2-78	2001 ²⁾
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IEC 60410	- ¹⁾	Sampling plans and procedures for inspection by attributes	-	-
IEC 60529	- ¹⁾	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)	EN 60529 + corr. May	1991 ²⁾ 1993
IEC 60721-2-1	- ¹⁾	Classification of environmental conditions Part 2: Environmental conditions appearing in nature - Temperature and humidity	HD 478.2.1 S1	1989 ²⁾

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IEC 61215	- ¹⁾	Crystalline silicon terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) modules - Design qualification and type approval	EN 61215	2005 ²⁾
IEC 61345	- ¹⁾	UV test for photovoltaic (PV) modules	EN 61345	1998 ²⁾
IEC 61427	2005	Secondary cells and batteries for photovoltaic energy systems (PVES) - General requirements and methods of test	EN 61427	- ³⁾
IEC 61646	- ¹⁾	Thin-film terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) modules - Design qualification and type approval	EN 61646	1997 ²⁾
IEC 61683	- ¹⁾	Photovoltaic systems - Power conditioners - Procedure for measuring efficiency	EN 61683	2000 ²⁾
IEC 62262	- ¹⁾	Degrees of protection provided by enclosures for electrical equipment against external mechanical impacts (IK code)	EN 62262	2002 ²⁾
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BALANCE-OF-SYSTEM COMPONENTS FOR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS – DESIGN QUALIFICATION NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS

1 Scope and object

This International Standard establishes requirements for the design qualification of balance-of-system (BOS) components used in terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) systems. This standard is suitable for operation in indoor, conditioned or unconditioned; or outdoor in general open-air climates as defined in IEC 60721-2-1, protected or unprotected. It is written for dedicated solar components such as batteries, inverters, charge controllers, system diode packages, heat sinks, surge protectors, system junction boxes, maximum power point tracking devices and switch gear, but may be applicable to other BOS system components.

This standard is based on that which is specified in IEC 61215 and IEC 61646 for the design qualification of PV modules. However, changes have been made to account for the special features of the balance-of-system components, and to add different levels of severity for the different service environments. Dust, fungus, insects, shipping vibration and shock, and protection class have been added to the appropriate environmental categories. The high and low temperature and humidity limits have also been modified for the appropriate service environments.

This standard does not apply to photovoltaic modules. These are covered by IEC 61215 or IEC 61646. Also, this standard does not apply to concentrator modules or to complete PV systems. Specific electrical safety aspects are not part of this standard.

This standard is applicable to lead-acid and nickel-cadmium cells and batteries. Other electrochemical storage systems will be included when they become available.

The object of this test sequence is to determine the performance characteristics of each BOS components and to show, as far as possible within reasonable constraints of cost and time, that the component is capable of maintaining this performance after exposure to the simulated service natural environmental conditions for which it is intended to be applicable as specified by the manufacturer. The actual life expectancy of components so qualified will depend on their design, their environment and the system conditions under which they are operated.

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- IEC 60068-2-75, *Environmental testing – Part 2-75: Tests – Test Eh: Hammer tests*
- IEC 60068-2-78, *Environmental testing – Part 2-78: Tests – Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*
- IEC 60068-3-6, *Environmental testing – Part 3-6: Supporting documentation and guidance – Confirmation of the performance of temperature/ humidity chambers*
- IEC 60410, *Sampling plans and procedures for inspection by attributes*
- IEC 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)*
- IEC 60721-2-1, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 2-1: Environmental conditions appearing in nature – Temperature and humidity*
- IEC 60904-3:1989, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 3: Measurement principles for terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) solar devices with reference spectral irradiance data*
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- ISO/IEC 17025, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*

3 Sampling

For qualification testing a quantity of at least three samples of a component (plus spares as desired) shall be taken at random from a production batch or batches, in accordance with the procedure given in IEC 60410. The components shall have been manufactured from specified materials and components in accordance with the relevant drawings and process sheets and shall have been subjected to the manufacturer's normal inspection, quality control and production acceptance procedures. The components shall be complete in every detail and shall be accompanied by the manufacturer's handling, mounting and connection instructions, including the maximum permissible system voltage.

In the case of items, for example wires and cables, that do not have previously defined measures, a sufficient amount for the testing purposes shall be taken at random from a production batch or batches, in accordance with the procedure given in IEC 60410.