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IEC 60050-444	2002	Part 444: Elementary relays	-	-
IEC 60300-3-5	2001	Dependability management Part 3-5: Application guide - Reliability test conditions and statistical test principles	-	-
IEC 61649	- 1)	Goodness-of-fit tests, confidence intervals and lower confidence limits for Weibull distributed data	-	-
IEC 61810-1	2003	Electromechanical elementary relays Part 1: General and safety requirements	EN 61810-1	2004
ISO 3534-1	1993	Statistics - Vocabulary and symbols Part 1: Probability and general statistical terms	-	-

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## INTRODUCTION

The superseded standard dealing with the lifetime and reliability characteristics of relays was IEC 60255-23. The basic content of that standard had been adopted from its predecessor IEC 60255-0-20. Therefore, the basic concepts of the standard reflected the "state of the art" of the 1970s.

Following the setting-up of a separate technical committee for all-or-nothing relays (TC 94), the IEC 61810 series, a new series of basic relay standards covering electromechanical elementary (non-specified time all-or-nothing) relays, was established.

Within this series, IEC 61810-2 is intended to give requirements and tests permitting the assessment of relay reliability. Whereas all information concerning endurance tests for type testing have been included in IEC 61810-1, all relevant contents of IEC 60255-23, as well as IEC 60255-14 and IEC 60255-15 have been taken into account in IEC 61810-2.

However, in the past decades, the technical committee responsible for dependability (TC 56) has considerably improved and extended its basic standards. In particular, IEC 60300-3-5 (application guide for determining reliability test conditions and statistical test principles) and IEC 61649 (which deals with Weibull distributed test data ) are now available.

On the basis of these two publications, IEC 61810-2 was developed. It comprises test conditions and an evaluation method to obtain relevant reliability measures for electromechanical elementary relays. The life of relays as non-repairable items is primarily determined by the number of operations. For this reason the reliability is expressed in terms of MCTF (mean cycles to failure).

Commonly, equipment reliability is calculated from MTTF (mean time to failure) figures. With the knowledge of the frequency of operation (cycling rate) of the relay within an equipment it is possible to calculate an effective MTTF value for the relay in that application.

Such calculated MTTF values for relays can be used to calculate respective reliability, probability of failure, and availability (e.g. MTBF (mean time between failure)) values for equipment into which these relays are incorporated.

The MCTF figures can also be used as a basis to make comparative evaluations between relays with different styles of design or construction, and as an indication of product reliability under specific conditions.