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- a) revision of Test 16: Resistance to refrigerants;
- b) revision of Test 17: Solderability;
- c) new Annex A for alternative refrigerants to monochlorodifluoromethane (R 22).

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INTRODUCTION

The IEC 60851 series is part of a group of International Standards which define insulated wires used for windings in electrical equipment:

- 1) IEC 60851 series, *Winding wires – Test methods*;
- 2) IEC 60317 series, *Specifications for particular types of winding wires*;
- 3) IEC 60264 series, *Packaging of winding wires*.

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WINDING WIRES – TEST METHODS –

Part 4: Chemical properties

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60851 specifies the following chemical properties tests:

- Test 12: Resistance to solvents;
- Test 16: Resistance to refrigerants;
- Test 17: Solderability;
- Test 20: Resistance to transformer oil.

For definitions, general notes on methods of test and the complete series of methods of test for winding wires see IEC 60851-1.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60296, *Fluids for electrotechnical applications – Unused mineral insulating oils for transformers and switchgear* IEC 60851-4:2016
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IEC 60554-1:1977, *Specification for cellulosic papers for electrical purposes – Part 1: Definitions and general requirements*

IEC 60851-1, *Winding wires – Test methods – Part 1: General*

IEC 60851-3:2009, *Winding wires – Test methods – Part 3: Mechanical properties*

IEC 60851-5:2008, *Winding wires – Test methods – Part 5: Electrical properties*

ISO 9453, *Soft solder alloys – Chemical compositions and forms*

3 Test 12: Resistance to solvents

3.1 General

This test is applicable to enamelled round wire with a nominal conductor diameter over 0,250 mm and to enamelled rectangular wire.

The test is not suitable for round wires with a nominal conductor diameter up to and including 0,250 mm.

Resistance to solvents is expressed by the pencil hardness of the wire after solvent treatment.

3.2 Equipment

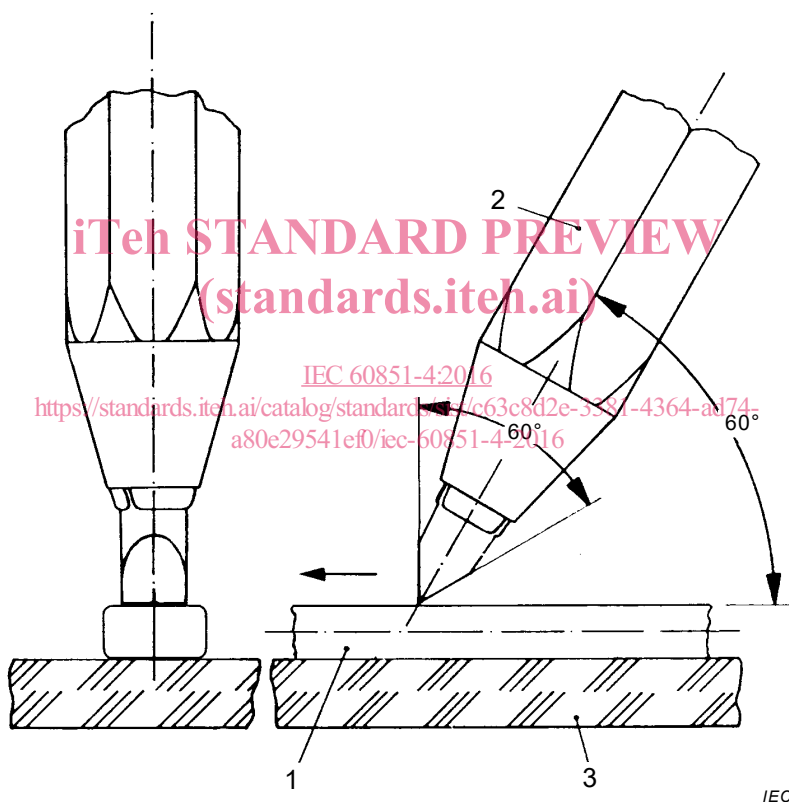
The following solvents shall be used:

- standard solvent as specified below, or
- solvent as agreed between purchaser and supplier.

The standard solvent shall be a mixture of:

- 60 % by volume white spirit with maximum aromatic content of 18 %;
- 30 % by volume xylene;
- 10 % by volume butanol.

The pencil to be used shall be a lead pencil of the hardness specified in the relevant standard. Before each test, the point of the pencil shall be sharpened with a smooth-cut file to form an angle of 60° symmetrical about the axis of the lead according to Figure 1.



Key

- 1 Winding wire specimen
- 2 Pencil
- 3 Test surface

NOTE Angle tolerances $\pm 5^\circ$.

Figure 1 – Pencil and specimen for solvent test

3.3 Procedure

A straight piece of wire, approximately 150 mm in length, shall be preconditioned for (10 ± 1) min at $(130 \pm 3)^\circ\text{C}$ in an oven with forced air circulation. A substantial length of the wire shall then be immersed in standard solvent contained in a glass cylinder and shall be maintained therein at a temperature of $(60 \pm 3)^\circ\text{C}$ for a period of (30 ± 3) min. The wire shall

then be removed from the solvent. The hardness of the wire surface shall then be determined in the following manner within a period of 30 s after removal from the solvent.

The specimen to be tested shall be laid on a smooth hard surface according to Figure 1. In the case of rectangular wires, the test shall be carried out on the largest side of the wire. The pencil shall be placed on the surface of the wire at an angle of approximately (60 ± 5) and the sharpened edge shall be pressed slowly along the surface of the wire with a force of approximately $(5 \pm 0,5)$ N.

Three tests shall be made. It shall be reported if the coating is removed with exposure of the bare conductor.

NOTE 1 This method can also be used for testing resistance to other fluids, for example oil.

NOTE 2 Where it is desired to determine the hardness of the insulation, the hardness of the lead pencil which just fails to remove the coating from the surface of the conductor is considered to be the hardness of the wire surface, expressed by the pencil hardness. The pencil hardness series is as described in Table 1.

Table 1 – Pencil hardness

6B	5B	4B	3B	2B	B	HB	H	2H	3H	4H	5H	6H	7H	8H	9H
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19

4 16: Resistance to refrigerants

4.1 General

This test is applicable to enamelled round wire.

Resistance to refrigerant is expressed by the quantity of matter extracted from the coating of the wire and by the breakdown voltage after exposure to a refrigerant.

NOTE 1 The data in this test method apply to monochlorodifluoromethane (refrigerant R 22). Other refrigerants that have been determined by investigation to be appropriate for this test are provided in Annex A. When these other refrigerants are used, it is important for safety reasons to observe the critical data for these refrigerants and to comply with the revised test conditions during operation of the pressure vessel.

NOTE 2 Refrigerants like monochlorodifluoromethane and rinsing fluids like trichlorotrifluorethane (refrigerant R 113) are ozone depleting chemicals (ODC). Refrigerant and rinsing fluid are agreed upon between customer and supplier.

4.2 Extraction

4.2.1 Principle

A siphon cup containing the wire sample is placed in the pressure vessel. The extractable matter is determined after exposure of the wire sample to the refrigerant under pressure and at elevated temperature.

4.2.2 Equipment

The following equipment shall be used:

- siphon cup according to Figure 2, of 450 ml volume up to the siphoning level;
- pressure vessel of 2 000 ml volume with an internal diameter of approximately 100 mm and a pressure capacity of 200 bar (20 MPa), preferably of unwelded construction and provided with a controlled heating system;
- top closure of the vessel containing a condenser coil according to Figure 3;
- oven with forced air circulation.



Key

Height of cup:	(82 ± 5) mm
Diameter of cup:	(84 ± 5) mm
Diameter of tubing:	(5 ± 1) mm

Figure 2 – Refrigerant extractable test siphon cup



Figure 3 – Condenser coil

4.2.3 Specimen

Eight wire samples each containing $(0,6 \pm 0,1)$ g of insulation shall be wound into coils of 70 turns. The specimens shall be degreased and conditioned in an oven with forced air circulation at (150 ± 3) °C for 15 min. After 30 min cooling, the eight specimens shall be weighed together to the nearest 0,000 1 g, resulting in the total initial mass M_1 .

4.2.4 Procedure

The eight specimens shall be placed in the siphon cup, which is suspended (25 ± 5) mm below the condenser coil on the pressure vessel cover. The pressure vessel shall be assembled and charged with (700 ± 25) g of distilled refrigerant free from lubricant. The condenser water supply and drain line shall be connected and the pressure vessel shall be heated by means of a controlled heating system with the temperature set to (75 ± 5) °C or a lower temperature if required to comply with the conditions of the following paragraph relating to critical pressure. The water flowing through the condenser shall be adjusted to maintain a reflux rate of 20 to 25 discharges per hour from the siphon cup. The extraction period shall be 6 h.