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FOREWORD

At the request of the 78th Technical Board of CENELEC, the International Standard IEC 68-1:1988, its corrigendum October 1988 and amendment 1:1992 were submitted to the CENELEC Unique Acceptance Procedure (UAP) in January 1994 for acceptance as a European Standard.

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- latest date of withdrawal of conflicting national standards (dow) 1995-10-01

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ANNEX ZA (normative)

OTHER INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS QUOTED IN THIS STANDARD
WITH THE REFERENCES OF THE RELEVANT EUROPEAN PUBLICATIONS

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

NOTE : When the international publication has been modified by CENELEC common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

IEC Publication	Date	Title	EN/HD	Date
50(301)	1983	International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Chapter 301: General terms on measurements in electricity	-	-
50(302)	1983	Chapter 302: Electrical measuring instruments	-	-
50(303)	1983	Chapter 303: Electronic measuring instruments	-	-
68-2-14	1984	Basic environmental testing procedures Part 2: Tests - Test N: Change of temperature	HD 323.2.14 S2*	1987
68-2-20	1979	Test T: Soldering	HD 323.2.20 S3*	1988
68-2-27	1987	Test Ea and guidance: Shock	EN 60068-2-27	1993
68-2-38	1974	Test Z/AD: Composite temperature/humidity cyclic test	HD 323.2.38 S1	1988
68-2-47	1982	Mounting of components, equipment and other articles for dynamic tests including shock (Ea), bump (Eb), vibration (Fc and Fd) and steady-state acceleration (Ga) and guidance	EN 60068-2-47	1993
68-2-48	1982	Guidance on the application of the tests of IEC publication 68 to simulate the effects of storage	HD 323.2.48 S1	1988

* HD 323.2.14 S2 includes A1:1986 to IEC 68-2-14
HD 323.2.20 S3 includes A1:1986 + A2:1987 to IEC 68-2-20

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68-3-1	1974	Part 3: Background information Section One - Cold and dry heat tests		
68-3-1A	1978	First supplement	HD 323.3.1 S1	1988
68-4	1987	Part 4: Information for specification writers - Test summaries	-	-
160	1963	Standard atmospheric conditions for test purposes	-	-
271	1974	List of basic terms, definitions and related mathematics for reliability	-	-
529	1976	Classification of degrees of protection provided by enclosures	EN 60529	1991
695	series	Fire hazard testing	HD 444 EN 60695	series series
721-1	1981*	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 1: Classification of environmental parameters and their severities	-	-
721-2	series	Part 2: Environmental conditions appearing in nature	HD 478.2	series
721-3	series	Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities	HD 478.3 EN 60721-3	series series

Other publications:

Guide 104:1984 - Guide to the drafting of safety standards, and the role of
committees with safety pilot functions and safety group functions

ISO 554:1976 - Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing - Specifications

ISO 3205:1976 - Preferred test temperatures

* IEC 721-1:1990 + A1:1992 are harmonized as HD 478.1 S2:1994



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- 1) The formal decisions or agreements of the IEC on technical matters, prepared by Technical Committees on which all the National Committees having a special interest therein are represented, express, as nearly as possible, an international consensus of opinion on the subjects dealt with.
- 2) They have the form of recommendations for international use and they are accepted by the National Committees in that sense.
- 3) In order to promote international unification, the IEC expresses the wish that all National Committees should adopt the text of the IEC recommendation for their national rules in so far as national conditions will permit. Any divergence between the IEC recommendation and the corresponding national rules should, as far as possible, be clearly indicated in the latter.

PREFACE

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This standard has been prepared by IEC Technical Committee No. 50: Environmental testing.

This sixth edition replaces the fifth edition of IEC Publication 68-1 (1982).

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

Six Months' Rule	Reports on Voting	Two Months' Procedure	Report on Voting
50(CO)198 50(CO)205	50(CO)202 50(CO)208	50(CO)204	50(CO)206

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the Voting Reports indicated in the above table.

The following IEC publications are quoted in this standard:

- Publications Nos. 50 (301, 302, 303) (1983): International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV), Chapter 301: General terms on measurements in electricity; Chapter 302: Electrical measuring instruments; Chapter 303: Electronic measuring instruments. (Advance edition.)
- 68: Environmental testing.
- 68-2: Part 2: Tests.
- 68-2-14 (1984): Test N: Change of temperature.
- 68-2-20 (1979): Test T: Soldering.
- 68-2-27 (1987): Test Ea and guidance: Shock.
- 68-2-38 (1974): Test Z/AD: Composite temperature/humidity cyclic test.
- 68-2-47 (1982): Mounting of components, equipment and other articles for dynamic tests including shock (Ea), bump (Eb), vibration (Fc and Fd) and steady-state acceleration (Ga) and guidance.
- 68-2-48 (1982): Guidance on the application of the tests of IEC Publication 68 to simulate the effects of storage.

- 68-3: Part 3: Background information.
- 68-3-1 (1974): Section One – Cold and dry heat tests.
- 68-3-1A (1978): First supplement.
- 68-4: Part 4: Information for specification writers – Test summaries.

- 160 (1963): Standard atmospheric conditions for test purposes.
- 271 (1974): List of basic terms, definitions and related mathematics for reliability.

- 529 (1976): Classification of degrees of protection provided by enclosures.
- 695: Fire hazard testing.
- 721: Classification of environmental conditions.
- 721-1 (1981): Part 1: Classification of environmental parameters and their severities.

- 721-2: Part 2: Environmental conditions appearing in nature.
- 721-3: Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities.
- Guide 104 (1984): Guide to the drafting of safety standards, and the rôle of Committees with safety pilot functions and safety group functions.

Other publications quoted:

- ISO Standard 554 (1976): Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing – Specifications.
- ISO Standard 3205 (1976): Preferred test temperatures.

The contents of the corrigendum of October 1988 has been included in this reprint

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ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

Part 1: General and guidance

1. Introduction

- 1.1 IEC Publication 68 contains fundamental information on environmental testing procedures and severities of tests. In addition, Part 1 contains information on atmospheric conditions for measurement and testing.

It is intended to be used in those cases where a relevant specification for a certain type of product (electrical, electromechanical and electronic equipment and devices, their sub-assemblies and constituent parts and components), hereinafter referred to as “specimen”, has to be prepared, so as to achieve uniformity and reproducibility in the environmental testing of this product.

Note. — Although primarily intended for electrotechnical products, many of the environmental testing procedures in Part 2 of this publication are equally applicable to other industrial products.

The expression “environmental conditioning” or “environmental testing” covers the natural and artificial environments to which specimens may be exposed so that an assessment can be made of their performance under conditions of use, transport and storage to which they may be subjected in practice.

The requirements for the performance of specimens subjected to environmental conditioning are not covered by this publication. The relevant specification for the specimen under test defines the allowed performance limits during and after environmental testing.

When drafting a relevant specification or purchasing contract, only those tests should be specified that are necessary for the relevant specimen taking into account the technical and economic aspects.

IEC Publication 68 consists of:

- a) this first Part (Publication 68-1) which deals with generalities;

Note. — Attention is drawn to Publication 68-2-48.

- b) the second Part (Publication 68-2) published as separate booklets each dealing with a family of tests or a particular test or guidance for their application;

Note. — Attention is drawn to Publication 68-2-47.

- c) the third Part (Publication 68-3) published as separate booklets each dealing with background information on a family of tests;

- d) the fourth Part (Publication 68-4), giving information for specification writers, published in two sections of which the second, in loose-leaf form, contains summaries of all the current tests in Publication 68-2;

Note. — Fire hazard tests are separately published in IEC Publication 695.

- 1.2 The following historical survey gives the significant features of this and of the earlier editions:

First edition (1954)

Contained not only the general part but also many of the individual tests which now form part of the Publication 68-2 series.

Second edition (1960)

Format changed to Publication 68-1: General. Tests published separately as Publication 68-2 series. Degrees of severity were included for all tests.

Third edition (1968)

Degrees of severity dropped, many more definitions included which were amended and added to in Amendment No.1, December 1972, and component climatic category introduced. The recovery clause (Sub-clause 5.4) was intended to apply to normal applications so that ALL SPECIMENS would be submitted to rigidly controlled conditions, unless otherwise specified. Supplement A was issued in December 1974 to add further definitions of combined and composite tests and sequences of tests.

Fourth edition (1978)

Amendment No. I and Supplement A to the third edition were incorporated in this edition and an amendment to standard recovery conditions, also including further recovery conditions with wider tolerances on temperature and humidity, was added to the original Sub-clause 5.4 of the third edition.

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Fifth edition (1982)

This edition comprised the text of the fourth edition with the addition of Clause 10: Significance of the numerical value of a quantity, and of an appendix giving general guidance on environmental testing.

Sixth edition (1988)

This edition contains a largely editorial revision of the fifth edition, the technical content of IEC Publication 160, which will be withdrawn, and technical amendments of Clause 7 and Appendix A.

- 1.3 The families of tests comprising Part 2 of this publication are designated by the following upper case letters:

- A: Cold.
- B: Dry heat.
- C: Damp heat (steady state).
- D: Damp heat (cyclic).
- E: Impact (for example shock and bump).
- F: Vibration.
- G: Acceleration (steady state).