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CLASSIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS –

**Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters
and their severities –
Section 7: Portable and non-stationary use**

FOREWORD

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International Standard IEC 721-3-7 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 75: Classification of environmental conditions.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1987, amendment 1, published in June 1991, and amendment 2, published in July 1993, and constitutes a technical revision.

The text of this standard is based on the first edition, amendments 1 and 2 and the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of the third amendment of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

IEC 721 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Classification of environmental conditions*:

- Part 1: 1990, Environmental parameters and their severities
- Part 2, Environmental conditions appearing in nature
- Part 3, Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities

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CLASSIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS –

Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities –

Section 7: Portable and non-stationary use

1 Scope

This standard classifies groups of environmental parameters and their severities to which products are subjected during portable and non-stationary use, including periods of transfer, down time, maintenance and repair.

The environmental conditions covered by these groups include:

- the environmental conditions at locations where the product may be placed or used temporarily;
- the change of environmental parameters due to change of location;
- the environmental conditions related to transfer of the product between different locations.

The environmental conditions classified do not take into account the use profile of the product, i.e. whether the product is used only during a temporary stationary state, during the state of transfer or arbitrarily.

The conditions of portable and non-stationary use to which products may be exposed include land-based and offshore, weatherprotected and non-weatherprotected locations. The conditions further include transfer which is a part of the portable and non-stationary use.

The environmental conditions specified in this standard are limited to those which may directly affect the performance of products. Only environmental conditions as such are considered. No special description of the effects of these conditions on the product is given.

Environmental conditions directly related to fire or explosion hazards and conditions related to ionizing radiation are excluded. Any other unforeseen incidents are also excluded. The possibility of their occurrence should be taken into account in special cases.

Microclimate within a product is not included.

Conditions of stationary use, use in vehicles, and ships, and conditions of storage and transportation are given in other sections of IEC 721-3.

A limited number of classes of environmental conditions is given, covering a broad field of application. The user of this standard should select the lowest classification necessary for covering the conditions of the intended use.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this section of IEC 721-3. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All normative documents are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this section of IEC 721-3 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 721-1: 1990, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 1: Environmental parameters and their severities*
Amendment 1 (1992)

IEC 721-2-1: 1982, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 2: Environmental conditions appearing in nature – Section 1: Temperature and humidity*
Amendment 1 (1987)

IEC 721-3-0: 1984, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 0: Introduction*
Amendment 1 (1987)

IEC 721-3-2, 1985, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 2: Transportation*
Amendment 1 (1991); Amendment 2 (1993)

IEC 721-3-3: 1994, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 3: Stationary use at weatherprotected locations*

IEC 721-3-4: 1995, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 4: Stationary use at non-weatherprotected locations*

3 Definitions

In addition to the definitions in clause 3 of IEC 721-1, the following definitions apply to this standard:

3.1 portable and non-stationary use: The product is frequently moved from place to place. During transfer there is no special packaging for the product. The total transfer time may amount to a significant portion of the product's lifetime. The product is not permanently mounted on any structure or placed at a fixed site. The product may be operated while being either in a stationary or in a transfer state.

3.2 weatherprotected location: A location at which the product is protected from weather influences:

- *totally weatherprotected location* (enclosed location): direct weather influences are totally excluded;
- *partially weatherprotected location* (sheltered location): direct weather influences are not completely excluded.

3.3 non-weatherprotected location: A location at which the product is not protected from direct weather influences.

4 General

For further general guidance, see IEC 721-3-0.

Products in portable and non-stationary use are sometimes transferred from one location to another without being switched on. During this transfer the environmental conditions bearing on the product may affect the product in a different way than during operation. If environmental conditions during operation are considered separately from those during transfer, another class, e.g. a lower one, may be selected for this part of the use.

The severities specified are those which will have a low probability of being exceeded. All specified values are maximum or limit values. These values may be reached, but do not occur permanently. Depending on the local situation there may be different frequencies of occurrence related to a certain period of time. Such frequencies of occurrence should be considered for any environmental parameter. They should additionally be specified if applicable. Information on duration and frequency of occurrence is given in IEC 721-3-0 as clause 6.

Attention is drawn to the fact that combinations of the environmental parameters given may increase the effect on a product. This applies especially to the presence of high relative humidity in addition to biological conditions, or to conditions of chemically or mechanically active substances.

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The environmental conditions present at a location may be affected by other influences, e.g. heat dissipation sources, special process conditions, etc.

Measurements of the environmental conditions present at a location should be made at a representative point in the vicinity of the product.

It is recognized that extreme or special environmental conditions may exist. Specifications for products to operate under such special conditions are a matter of negotiation between supplier and user.

5 Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities

A number of classes for climatic conditions (K), special climatic conditions (Z), biological conditions (B), chemically active substances (C), mechanically active substances (S) and mechanical conditions (M) are specified in tables 1 to 6.

This classification allows a number of possible combinations of environmental conditions, which bear upon products wherever used. It represents the real situation in respect of worldwide conditions of use, due to local influences of open-air climate, construction of buildings, mounting, process conditions, etc. (See also clause 6.)