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## COMMON MODIFICATIONS

**Table 1 — Reference conditions and standard test conditions (unless otherwise indicated by the manufacturer)**

In the line “Ambient temperature” **replace** “22 °C” with “24 °C”.

In the line “Relative humidity” **replace** “50 %” with “40 %”.

In the line “Ambient dose equivalent” **replace** “< 0,20  $\mu\text{Sv}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$ ” in the second column with “Negligible” and “0,20” in the third column with “0,25”.

Then the table looks like the following:

Quantity	Reference conditions	Standard test conditions
Warm-up time	10 min	$\geq 10$ min
Activity concentration of $^{222}\text{Rn}^{\text{b}}$	$< 10 \text{ Bq}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$< 10 \text{ Bq}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$
Activity concentration of $^{220}\text{Rn}^{\text{c}}$	$< 10 \text{ Bq}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$	$< 10 \text{ Bq}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$
Ambient temperature	20 °C	18 °C to 24 °C
Relative humidity	65 %	40 % to 75 %
Atmospheric pressure	101,3 kPa	90 kPa to 106 kPa <sup>a</sup>
Power supply voltage	Nominal supply voltage $U_{\text{N}}$	Nominal supply voltage $U_{\text{N}} \pm 0,5 \%$
AC power supply frequency	Nominal frequency	Nominal frequency $\pm 0,5 \%$
AC power supply waveform	Sinusoidal	Sinusoidal with a total harmonic distortion less than 5 %
Ambient dose equivalent rate	Negligible	$< 0,25 \mu\text{Sv}\cdot\text{h}^{-1}$
Electromagnetic field of external origin	Negligible	Negligible
Magnetic induction of external origin	Negligible	Negligible
Radio frequency	Negligible	Less than the lowest value that causes interference
Sampling flow-rate	Nominal flow-rate	Nominal flow-rate $\pm 0,5 \%$

<sup>a</sup> Where the detection technique is particularly sensitive to variation in atmospheric pressure, the conditions shall be limited to  $\pm 0,5 \%$  of the reference pressure.

<sup>b</sup> Only for instruments measuring of  $^{220}\text{Rn}$ .

<sup>c</sup> Only for instruments measuring of  $^{222}\text{Rn}$ .

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NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: [www.cenelec.eu](http://www.cenelec.eu).

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60068-2-27	-	Environmental testing -- Part 2-27: Tests - Test Ea and guidance: Shock	EN 60068-2-27	-
IEC 61000-6-4	-	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) -- Part 6-4: Generic standards - Emission standard for industrial environments	EN 61000-6-4	-
IEC 61140	-	Protection against electric shock - Common aspects for installation and equipment	EN 61140	-
IEC 61187	-	Electrical and electronic measuring equipment - Documentation	EN 61187	-
IEC 61577-1	-	Radiation protection instrumentation - Radon and radon decay product measuring instruments - Part 1: General principles	EN IEC 61577-1	-
ISO 11665-1	-		EN ISO 11665-1	-
ISO/IEC Guide 98-3	-	Uncertainty of measurement -- Part 3: Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM:1995)	-	-



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This second edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) Addition of new requirements and tests concerning radiation detection performance.
- b) Addition of new requirements and tests concerning environmental performance.

- c) Harmonization of the requirements and tests concerning electrical and mechanical performance with other standards in the area of radon and radon decay product instrumentation.

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

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## INTRODUCTION

Radon is a radioactive trace gas produced by the decay of  $^{226}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{223}\text{Ra}$  and  $^{224}\text{Ra}$ , respectively decay products of  $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{235}\text{U}$  and  $^{232}\text{Th}$  which are present in the earth's crust. By decay, radon isotopes (i.e.  $^{222}\text{Rn}$ ,  $^{219}\text{Rn}$ ,  $^{220}\text{Rn}$ ) produce three decay chains, each ending in a stable lead isotope. The radon isotope  $^{220}\text{Rn}$  is generally known as thoron<sup>1</sup>.

NOTE In normal conditions, due to the very short half-life of  $^{219}\text{Rn}$ , its activity and the activity of its RnDP<sup>2</sup> are considered negligible compared to the activity of the other two series. Its health effects are therefore not important. Thus in this standard  $^{219}\text{Rn}$  and its decay products are not considered.

In order to facilitate its use, the IEC 61577 series is divided into the following different parts:

**IEC 61577-1:** This part emphasizes the terminology and units used in the specific field of radon and radon decay products (RnDP) measurement techniques and describes briefly the concept of System for Test Atmospheres with Radon (STAR) used for test and calibration of radon and RnDP measuring devices.

**IEC 61577-2:** This part is dedicated to the tests of  $^{222}\text{Rn}$  and  $^{220}\text{Rn}$  measuring instruments.

**IEC 61577-3:** This part is dedicated to the tests of RnDP<sub>222</sub> and RnDP<sub>220</sub> measuring instruments.

**IEC 61577-4:** This part is dedicated to the construction of a STAR and its use for testing.

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- 1 The term *thoron* is not used in this standard. Instead, the term *radon* is used to denote the radionuclides  $^{220}\text{Rn}$  and  $^{222}\text{Rn}$ . In the case that one of these radionuclides is to be explicitly specified, the atomic mass number and the chemical symbol are given.
  - 2 RnDP is the acronym for Radon Decay Products, which are sometimes called radon progeny. The term *Radon Decay Products* or its abbreviation (RnDP) denotes the whole set of short-lived decay products that becomes the focus of this standard. A particular isotope is indicated by its chemical symbol preceded by its mass number. The subscripts <sub>222</sub>, <sub>220</sub> added to the symbol RnDP refer to the whole set of short-lived decay products of the corresponding radon isotope (RnDP<sub>222</sub>:  $^{218}\text{Po}$ ,  $^{214}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{214}\text{Bi}$ ,  $^{214}\text{Po}$ , and RnDP<sub>220</sub>:  $^{216}\text{Po}$ ,  $^{212}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{212}\text{Bi}$ ,  $^{212}\text{Po}$ ,  $^{208}\text{Tl}$ ).