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IEC 61810-2-1	2017	Electromechanical elementary relays - Part 2-1: Reliability - Procedure for the verification of B10 values	EN 61810-2-1	2017
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## REED SWITCHES –

## Part 1-1: Generic specification – Blank detail specification

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

- a) update of the scope, references and terms and definitions;
- b) inclusion of guidelines for the preparation of blank detail and detail specifications;
- c) update of characteristics values including functional ratings for safety;
- d) update of the quality conformance inspection procedures;
- e) update of typical applications.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

FDIS	Report on voting
94/426/FDIS	94/427/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

This document is to be used in conjunction with IEC 62246-1:2015.

A list of all parts in the IEC 62246 series, published under the general title *Reed switches*, can be found on the IEC website.

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## INTRODUCTION

Reed switches which are in mass production and which are widely used, in practice could be classified by the following characteristics:

a) Size:

- Normal or standard reed switches with a tube more than 50 mm in length and more than 5 mm in diameter;
- Sub-miniature reed switches with a tube more than 20 mm and up to 50 mm in length and up to 5 mm in diameter;
- Miniature reed switches with a tube more than 10 mm and up to 20 mm in length and more than 2 mm and up to 5 mm in diameter;
- Micro-miniature reed switches with a tube up to 10 mm in length and up to 2 mm in diameter.

b) Type of switching of electric circuit:

- Closing or normally open – A type or NO;
- Opening or normally closed – B type or NC;
- Changeover – C type or CO.

c) Withstand voltage level:

- Low-voltage (up to 1 000 V);
- High-voltage (more than 1 000 V).

d) Switches power:

- Low-power (up to 60 W or 60 VA);
- Power (100 W to 1 000 W or 100 VA to 1 000 VA);
- High-power (more than 1 000 W or 1 000 VA).

e) Types of electric contacts:

- The tube is filled with dry air, gas mixture, vacuumized, or high pressurized.

Based on the general provisions of IEC 62246-1:2015, this document selects and specifies blank detail and detail specifications including safety contact ratings and test procedures for reed switches where enhanced requirements for the verification of quality assessment specification apply.

This document describes sampling and test schedules for qualification approval procedures, quality conformance inspection, formation of inspection lots and intervals between tests.

NOTE All type of reed switches exclude mercury reed switches.

## REED SWITCHES –

### Part 1-1: Generic specification – Blank detail specification

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62246 which is a blank detail specification defines requirements and tests for reed switches for use in general and industrial applications.

This document is intended to be used in conjunction with IEC 62246-1:2015 and specific products standards applying as switching elements.

This document selects from IEC 62246-1:2015 and from other sources the appropriate test procedures to be used in detail specifications derived from this specification.

Reed switch types are specified depending on characteristic values including functional ratings for safety and tests.

NOTE Mercury wetted reed switches are not covered by this document due to their possible environmental impact.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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IEC 61810-2-1:2017, *Electromechanical elementary relays – Part 2-1: Reliability – Procedure for the verification of  $B_{10}$  values*

IEC 62246-1:2015, *Reed switches – Part 1: Generic specification*

ISO 2859-1:1999, *Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes – Part 1: Sampling schemes indexed by acceptance quality limit (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection*

### 3 Terms and definitions

The terms and definitions given in IEC 62246-1:2015 and the following, apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

#### 3.1 reed switch types

##### 3.1.1

##### **type**

products having similar design features and nominal dimensions manufactured by the same techniques and falling within a range of ratings specified by the manufacturer

Note 1 to entry: Mounting accessories are ignored, provided they have no significant effect on the test results.

##### 3.1.2

##### **variant**

variation within a type having specific characteristics

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##### 3.1.3

##### **reed switch**

assembly containing contact blades, partly or completely made of magnetic material, hermetically sealed in an envelope and controlled by means of an externally generated magnetic field (e.g. an energizing quantity applied to a coil)

##### 3.1.4

##### **high voltage vacuum reed switch**

reed switch, in which ability to switch high voltages is achieved by a high vacuum within the hermetically sealed envelope

##### 3.1.5

##### **heavy-duty reed switch**

reed switch, in which greater switching capacity is achieved

Note 1 to entry: Blades having additional contact tips or a contact tip and spring which separate the magnetic path and electric path are typical examples of techniques to increase switching capacity.

#### 3.2 tests

##### 3.2.1

##### **type test**

test of one or more reed switches made to a certain design to show that the design meets certain specifications

##### 3.2.2

##### **routine test**

conformity test made on each reed switch during or after manufacture

**3.2.3****lot-by-lot test**

test carried out periodically on a sample of reed switches drawn from running production at least once a month

**3.2.4****periodic test**

test carried out periodically on a sample of reed switches drawn from running production at least once a year and every two years

Note 1 to entry: The results from periodic tests are used to verify that the level of technical performance is maintained.

Note 2 to entry: Sub-groups intervals between tests A0, A4 and B1, C1 and C4 are specified in 4.8.

**3.3 inspection****3.3.1****inspection**

process of measuring, examining, testing, or otherwise comparing the unit of product with the specified requirements

**3.3.2****IL****inspection level**

specification of lower limits for lot-by-lot test

Note 1 to entry: See ISO 2859-1:1999, Clause 9.

**3.3.3****AQL****acceptance quality limit**

maximum percent of defects that can be tolerance as a risk, stated for purposes of sampling inspection

Note 1 to entry: Sample inspection with associated risk tolerance is employed only where all units of product within an inspection lot is expected to completely comply with specification requirements.

**3.4 safety and failure modes****3.4.1** **$B_{10}$  value**

point estimate of  $B_{10}$ , the time (in number of cycles) by which 10 % of the population will have failed

Note 1 to entry: When  $B_{10}$  values are specified in the detail specifications, the electrical endurance test should measure all failures according to IEC 61810-2.

Note 2 to entry: See Clause A.3 of IEC 61810-2:2017.

**3.4.2** **$B_{10D}$  value**

number of cycles until 10 % of the components fail dangerously

Note 1 to entry:  $B_{10D}$  values are calculated according to IEC 61810-2-1.

**3.4.3****dangerous failure**

failure of an element and/or subsystem and/or system that plays a part in implementing the safety function that decreases the probability that the safety function operates correctly when required