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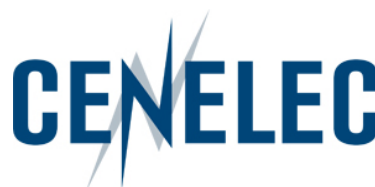
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INTRODUCTION

The widespread use of electrotechnical products has drawn increased attention to their impact on the environment. In many countries all over the world, this has resulted in the adaptation of regulations affecting wastes, substances and energy use of electrotechnical products.

The use of polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) and certain phthalates in electrotechnical products is of concern in many regions of the world.

The purpose of this document is therefore to provide a test method that will allow the electrotechnical industry to determine the levels of polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), di-isobutyl phthalate (DIBP), di-n-butyl phthalate (DBP), benzylbutyl phthalate (BBP), di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), di-n-octyl phthalate (DNOP), di-isononyl phthalate (DINP) and di-isodecyl phthalate (DIDP) in electrotechnical products on a consistent global basis.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62321 specifies the screening analysis of polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), di-isobutyl phthalate (DIBP), di-n-butyl phthalate (DBP), benzylbutyl phthalate (BBP), di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), di-n-octyl phthalate (DNOP), di-isononyl phthalate (DINP), and di-isodecyl phthalate (DIDP) in polymers of electrotechnical products using the analytical technique of gas chromatography-mass spectrometry using a pyrolyser/thermal desorption accessory (Py/TD-GC-MS).

This test method has been evaluated through the analysis of PP (polypropylene), PS (polystyrene), and PVC (polyvinyl chloride) materials containing deca-BDE between 100 mg/kg and 1 000 mg/kg and individual phthalates between 100 mg/kg to 4 000 mg/kg as depicted in Annex J. Use of the methods described in this document for other polymer types, PBBs (mono-deca), PBDEs (mono-deca) and phthalates or concentration ranges other than those specified above has not been specifically evaluated.

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2 Normative references

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3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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3.1.1**reference material**

material, sufficiently homogeneous and stable with reference to specified properties, which has been established to be fit for its intended use in measurement or in examination of nominal properties

[SOURCE: IEC 62321-1:2013, 3.1.7 [2]]

3.1.2**screening**

analytical procedure to determine the presence or absence of substances in the representative part or section of a product, relative to the value or values chosen as the criterion for presence, absence or further testing

Note 1 to entry: If the screening method produces values that are not conclusive, then additional analysis or other follow-up actions may be necessary to make a final presence/absence decision.

[SOURCE: IEC 62321-1:2013, 3.1.10]

3.1.3**calibrant****calibration standard**

substance in solid or liquid form with known and stable concentration(s) of the analyte(s) of interest used to establish instrument response with respect to analyte(s) concentration(s) or mass

3.1.4**response factor****RF**

ratio between the mass of the compound being analysed and the peak area of that compound in Equation (1)

$$RF = A / m \quad (1)$$

where

RF is the response factor;

A is the peak area of a compound;

m is the mass of a compound

3.1.5**relative response factor****RRF**

ratio between the RFs of two compounds – compound A and compound B – in Equation (2)

$$RRF_{A/B} = RF_A / RF_B \quad (2)$$

where

$RRF_{A/B}$ is the relative response factor of compound A to compound B;

RF_A is the response factor of compound A;

RF_B is the response factor of compound B

3.1.6**substitute compound**

compound used to calculate RRFs of each analyte

Note 1 to entry: More than one compound can be selected as a substitute compound. The RRF of the analyte is the ratio of the RF of the analyte to this compound. In Equation (3), compound B corresponds to this. The role is the same as internal standards to correct the response factor. However, this is not included in test samples and is analysed before analysis of test samples. From the RF of the substitute compound and the RRF of the analyte, the RF of each analyte is calculated.

$$RF_A = RRF_{A/B} \times RF_B \quad (3)$$

where

RF_A is the response factor of compound A;

RF_B is the response factor of compound B; substitute compound

3.2 Abbreviated terms

BB-003	4-bromobiphenyl
BB-015	4,4'-dibromobiphenyl
BB-029	2,4,5-tribromobiphenyl
BB-049	2,2',4,5'-tetrabromobiphenyl
BB-103	2,2',4,5',6-pentabromobiphenyl
BB-153	2,2',4,4',5,5'-hexabromobiphenyl
BB-189	2,3,3',4,4',5,5'-heptabromobiphenyl
BB-194	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5'-octabromobiphenyl
BB-206	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5',6-nonabromobiphenyl
BB-209	decabromobiphenyl
BBP	benzyl butyl phthalate
BDE-003	4-bromodiphenyl ether
BDE-015	4,4'-dibromodiphenyl ether
BDE-028	2,4,4'-tribromodiphenyl ether
BDE-047	2,2',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-099	2,2',4,4',5-pentabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-153	2,2',4,4',5,5'-hexabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-183	2,2',3,4,4',5,6-heptabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-203	2,2',3,4,4',5,5',6-octabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-206	2,2',3,3',4,4',5,5',6-nonabromodiphenyl ether
BDE-209	decabromodiphenyl ether
CRM	certified reference material
DBP	di-n-butyl phthalate
DEHP	di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate
DIBP	di-isobutyl phthalate
DIDP	di-isodecyl phthalate
DINP	di-isononyl phthalate
DNOP	di-n-octyl phthalate
EGA	evolved gas analysis
EI	electron ionization