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The main changes with respect to the previous edition are as follows:

- a) IEC 62282-6 series has been restructured and split in such a way as to have general requirements for the safety of micro fuel cell power systems within IEC 62282-6-101, and the specific requirements for the individual fuel types within the other parts of the IEC 62282-6-1XX series.

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

| FDIS | Report on voting |
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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.

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INTRODUCTION

Part 107 provides additional requirements, specific to water-reactive fuel formulations, which apply in addition to the general requirements prescribed by IEC 62282-6-101. Part 107 is intended to be used together with IEC 62282-6-101, and shall not be utilized as a stand-alone standard.

Clause and subclause numbers in this part are aligned with IEC 62282-6-101, and are intended to provide additional information and refined requirements, as appropriate.

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FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGIES –

Part 6-107: Micro fuel cell power systems – Safety – Indirect water-reactive (Division 4.3) compounds

Scope

1.1 Fuels and technologies covered by this part

Part 107 covers micro fuel cell power systems, micro fuel cell power units and fuel cartridges using hydrogen produced from water-reactive (UN Division 4.3) compounds as fuel. These systems and units use proton exchange membrane fuel cell technologies. The designs may include fuel processing subsystems to derive hydrogen gas from the water-reactive fuel formulation.

This Part 107 only applies to water reactive (UN Division 4.3) solid compounds which solely evolve hydrogen gas upon contact with water (or non-hazardous aqueous solutions). This Part 107 does not include compounds with a subsidiary hazard risk, or which are not permitted to be transported by air according to the ICAO Technical Instructions.

Figure 1 from IEC 62282-6-101 continues to apply.

Normative references

The normative references included in Clause 2 of IEC 62282-6-101 apply in their entirety to technologies included in Part 107.

Terms and definitions

The terms and definitions below modify and augment those corresponding terms and definitions in Clause 3 of Part 101 for micro fuel cell power systems and fuel cartridges covered by this Part 107. All terms and definitions in Clause 3 not specifically mentioned here also apply.

3.1

fuel

water-reactive (UN Division 4.3) solid formulation of compounds comprising constituents selected from the following group used as fuel for an indirect PEM micro fuel cell power system:

(water reactive) mixtures, metals, alloys, compounds or chemical hydrides of the following materials: sodium, calcium, magnesium, borohydride compounds, silicon, silicon dioxide, iron, nickel, cobalt, aluminium.

The formulation may contain a non-hazardous activator to facilitate the production of hydrogen, and/or a stabilizer to modulate or inhibit the production of hydrogen.

3.2

borohydride compounds

sodium or potassium borohydride, or a mixture thereof

3.3

liquid fuel component

Class 8 (corrosive), or non-hazardous, aqueous solutions, which may contain activators, inhibitors, or freezing point suppressors

51 Note 1 to entry: The liquid fuel components are used to react with the water-reactive fuel to produce hydrogen.

52 **3.4**

53 **fuel by-products**

54 Class 8 (corrosive), or non-hazardous compounds produced after hydrogen and/or electricity is
55 produced from fuel

56 **3.5**

57 **activator**

58 a substance that facilitates the production of hydrogen from fuel, such as a catalyst

59 **3.6**

60 **stabilizer**

61 a substance that modulates or inhibits the production of hydrogen from fuel

62 **Safety Principles**

63 *The safety principles included in Clause 4 of IEC 62282-6-101 apply in their entirety to*
64 *technologies included in Part 107.*

65 **General safety requirements**

66 **5.1 General**

67 *The general safety requirements of Subclause 5.1 of Part 101 shall apply as written.*

68 NOTE The limited quantity exception for cargo transport of fuel cell cartridges containing water reactive fuel is 500
69 grams of solid fuel according to the UN Model Regulations. For passenger carriage in the aircraft cabin or in checked
70 baggage the maximum quantity of water reactive fuel permitted inside the cartridge is 200 grams of solid fuel
71 according to the 2013 edition of the ICAO Technical Instructions.

72 **5.2 Chemical Safety Requirements**

73 *Consistent with Part 101, the following limits shall apply for emission and gas loss*
74 *measurements for micro fuel cell power systems and fuel cartridges tested under this Part 107.*

| Constituent | Concentration limit ^a (OPERATING DEVICES) | Gas loss rate limit ^b (OPERATING DEVICES) | Gas loss rate limit ^c (NON-OPERATING DEVICES) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-hazardous aqueous solutions | Unlimited for pH between 3,5 and 10,5 | Unlimited for pH between 3,5 and 10,5 | Unlimited for pH between 3,5 and 10,5 |
| Hydrogen | 0,8 g/m ³ | 0,8 g/h total 0,016 g/h from single point leak ^d | 0,0032 g/h total (impermissible H ₂ gas loss) |
| Formaldehyde ^e * | 0,000 1 g/m ³ | 0,000 6 g/h | 0,000 6 g/h |
| CO* | 0,029 g/m ³ | 0,290 g/h | 0,290 g/h |
| CO ₂ * | 9 g/m ³ | 60 g/h ^f | 60 g/h ^f |
| Methyl Formate* | 0,245 g/m ³ | 2,45 g/h | 0,4 g/h |

* Testing for the presence of these constituents may be omitted for micro fuel cell power systems and fuel cartridges that do not contain, or have the potential to evolve, carbon-based compounds. In such cases, the rationale for such omission shall be documented in the FMEA.

^a The concentration limit for chemical compounds of interest shall be based on internationally recommended values. All toxicity based limits listed in this Table 4 are based on long-term, time-averaged limits, for instance TWA for ICSC's occupational limit. The gas loss rate limit shall be obtained using similar computation as used in Table 4 to ensure that overall gas loss rates do not exceed time-averaged limits for the constituent of interest. For such constituents, short-term increases in gas loss rate may be permissible, provided that the transient rate does not exceed the short-term exposure limit for that constituent, for instance STEL, and the overall gas loss rate does not exceed the time-averaged rate specified in this Table 4..

^b The "Operating" emission rate limit was based on 10 m³ ACH, selected as the product of the reference volume times the air changes per hour (ACH) because it covers the reasonably foreseeable environments where micro fuel cell power systems will be used. The interior space in a small car and the minimum volume per person on commercial aircraft is at 1 m³. The minimum ACH used on passenger aircraft is 10 and the lowest ventilation setting in cars is 10 ACH. Homes and offices may have ACH levels as low as 0,5 but the per-person volume is over 20 m³, so a product of 10 is conservative.

^c The non-operating limits have been chosen based on a scenario of devices in an enclosed space with no ventilation. The space chosen has a volume of 0,28 m³, or approximately 10 cubic feet. The criterion has been prescribed so that a concentration of greater than 25 % LFL is not permitted to develop over a twenty-four hour (24 h) period, if three devices are in the enclosed space. For example, this criterion is applied for determination of a maximum gas-loss rate based on emission of flammable constituents from non-operating micro fuel cell power systems. Note: The control volume for non-operating systems should not be applied using toxicity limits, as the core principle of this enclosed space is that of a storage space, not one that a person might spend time in. For determination of non-operating limits for constituents with both flammable and toxic properties, the lower of the flammability based limit for the "Non-operating" control volume and the toxicity based limit for the "Operating" control volume shall apply.

^d 0,016 g/h reflects an emission rate lower than the limit reported by Swain, et al, (Proceedings of the 2001 DOE Program Review; NREL/CP-570-30535; M.R. Swain and M.N. Swain, Codes and Standards Analysis, 2001 (USA); available at: <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/pdfs/30535bc.pdf>) wherein "no hole was able to support a hydrogen flame at less than 3.5 cc/min." (3.5 cc/min ≈ 0,018 g/h). This value was chosen in conformance with the guidelines in Table 3.

^e WHO guideline limit is 0,000 1 g/m³. Background levels are 0,000 03 g/m³. The emission limit cannot push the background level above the guideline limit

^f A seated human adult has a CO₂ emission rate of 30 g/h. The fuel cell plus human adult emission rates are limited such that the CO₂ concentration does not reach the WHO eight-hour concentration limit of 9 g/m³. In an environment with 10 m³ ACH, this limits the contribution from the fuel cell to 60 g/h.

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76 5.3 Material requirements

77 *The requirements of 5.3 of Part 101 shall apply as written.*

78 5.4 Mechanical design requirements

79 5.4.1 General

80 *The requirements of Subclause 5.4.1 of Part 101 shall apply as written, with the following*
81 *additions.*