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# Electrically propelled road vehicles — Test specification for electric propulsion components —

## Part 6: Operating load testing of motor and inverter

### 1 Scope

This document specifies operating load tests and test criteria for motor and inverter designed as a voltage class B electric propulsion system for electrically propelled road vehicles.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text 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.

ISO 21782-1:2019, *Electrically propelled road vehicles — Test specification for components for electric propulsion — Part 1: General test conditions and definitions*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms, definitions and abbreviated terms given in ISO 21782-1 apply.

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

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 4 Tests and requirements

#### 4.1 Operation endurance tests of motor

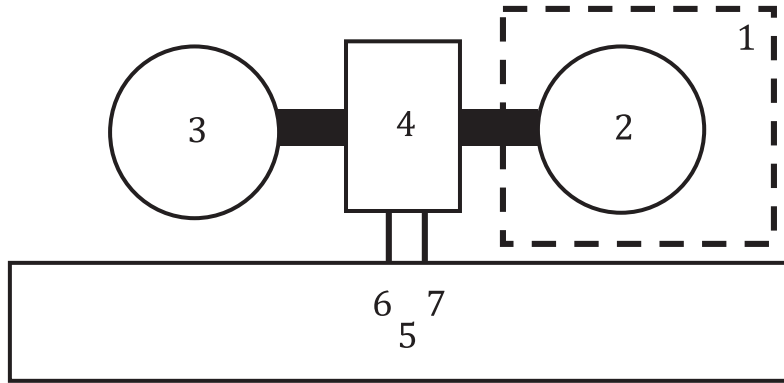
##### 4.1.1 High acceleration/deceleration endurance test

###### 4.1.1.1 General

The purpose of this test is to evaluate and rank the strength for the components – bearing, end ring, motor shaft key, rotor fixture, rotor, and position sensor – which are affected by mechanical fatigue by repeating the intermittent maximum speed of motor. The test is set considering repeated operations at the upper specification limits of the motor. Unless otherwise, the test method can be decided by the supplier and customer.

###### 4.1.1.2 Test diagram

The test diagram is shown in [Figure 1](#). The test motor is operated by opposing dynamometer on the motor test bench.



- Key**
- 1 DUT
  - 2 motor
  - 3 dynamometer
  - 4 torque/speed detector
  - 5 torque/speed meter
  - 6 motor torque (in Nm)
  - 7 motor speed (in min<sup>-1</sup>)

**Figure 1 — Diagram for high acceleration/deceleration endurance test of motor**

**4.1.1.3 Test conditions**

Test conditions are shown in [Table 1](#).

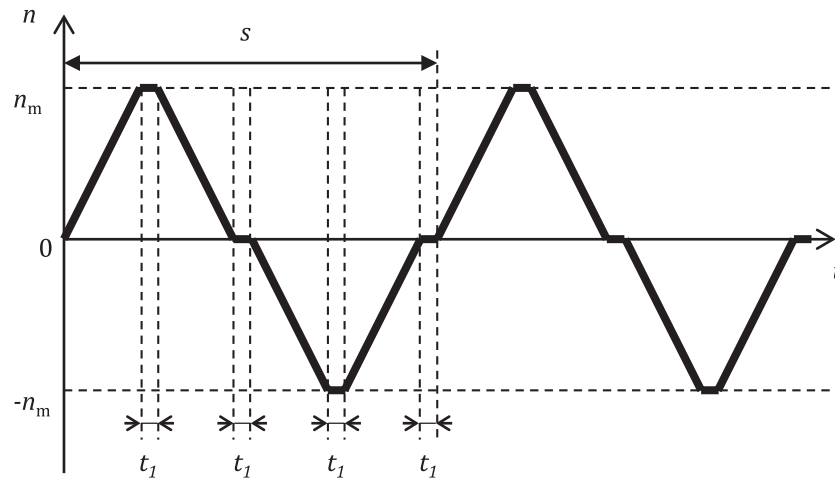
**Table 1 — Conditions for high acceleration/deceleration endurance test of motor**

Test conditions		Value	Remark
Ambient conditions		Room temperature (RT) and humidity as defined in ISO 21782-1:2019, 5.4.	
Coolant temperature		Maximum temperature for unlimited operating capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— In case of liquid cooling</li> <li>— Ethylene glycol and propylene glycol as example of coolant</li> </ul>
Coolant flow rate	Liquid	Minimum flow rate for unlimited operating capability	
	Air	Minimum flow rate for unlimited operating capability	

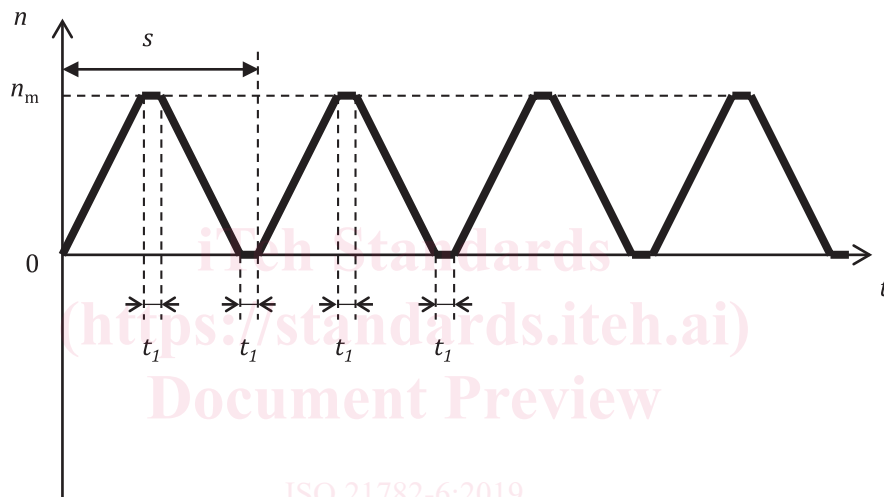
**4.1.1.4 Test procedure**

The test pattern is shown in [Figure 2](#). Rotation in clockwise and counter-clockwise direction is repeated at the maximum speed of the motor specifications. The load is no load.

The number of cycles shall be decided by agreement between the supplier and customer referring to [Table 2](#) or [Table 3](#).



a) Test pattern for motor with bidirectional rotation



b) Test pattern for motor with single directional rotation

**Key**

- $t$  time (in s)
- $n$  motor speed (in  $\text{min}^{-1}$ )
- $n_m$  maximum speed (in  $\text{min}^{-1}$ )
- $s$  1 cycle
- $t_1$  holding time (in s)

**Figure 2 — High acceleration/deceleration endurance test pattern for motor**

The acceleration rate in [Figure 2](#) is equivalent to that of the targeted vehicle and is decided between the supplier and customer. The time " $t_1$ " at the maximum speed and zero speed shall be reduced to a technically possible minimum (e.g. 1 s). In case of a motor with single directional rotation, only the positive speed shall be considered as shown in [Figure 2 b](#)).

This test aims to evaluate mechanical endurance. Endurance is displayed according to the rank in [Table 2](#) in case of a motor with bidirectional rotation, and in [Table 3](#) in case of a motor with single directional rotation.

**Table 2 — Number of cycles in high acceleration/deceleration endurance test for motor with bidirectional rotation**

Ranks	Number of cycles
S	500 000
A	300 000
B	200 000
C	100 000

**Table 3 — Number of cycles in high acceleration/deceleration endurance test for motor with single directional rotation**

Ranks	Number of cycles
S	1 000 000
A	600 000
B	400 000
C	200 000

#### 4.1.1.5 Test requirements

##### 4.1.1.5.1 General

The cyclic test shall be started from C rank which is listed in [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#) with the motor phases open. Confirmation by energizing and disassembling shall be conducted after the high acceleration/deceleration endurance test, in order to analyse and confirm that changes before and after energizing are within the respective criteria listed in [Table 4](#). If it is confirmed by agreement between the supplier and customer that this motor is clearly of a higher proof than C rank, continue cyclic test to the next upper rank. If the target cycle has been achieved, disassembling shall be conducted and the criteria for disassembling are listed in [Table 5](#). If failure has occurred during a cyclic test, the motor shall be disassembled and analysed by agreement between the supplier and customer. The rank of the motor shall be decided based on the results of energizing and post-test analysis. If changes before and after energizing are not within the criteria listed in [Table 5](#) or any failure or anomaly occurs post-test analysis, the motor shall belong to a lower rank.

##### 4.1.1.5.2 Energizing

Before conducting this test, the data of the test listed in [Table 4](#) shall be obtained in order to be able to compare the data before and after this test.

##### — Back electromotive force (back-EMF) measurement

The back-EMF of the motor is measured at the 10 % of maximum speed driven externally. They shall be within  $\pm 5$  % difference before and after the test.

NOTE If the type of DUT is different from a permanent magnet motor, this measurement can be omitted.

##### — Measurement of origin position and waveform of position sensor

The difference in the back-EMF waveform of the reference phase and the origin position of the position sensor at the 10 % of maximum speed driven externally shall be measured. They shall be within  $\pm 5^\circ$  difference in electrical angle before and after the test.

##### — Torque – speed characteristics

The motor torque, motor input voltage, inverter output current, and motor speed shall be measured using the load test bench at the operating point "a" and "c" of ISO 21782-1:2019, Figure 1. The difference in torque before and after the test shall be within  $\pm 5$  %.



— Measurement of vibration

The generated vibrations of the motor during acceleration by the inverter to the maximum speed shall be measured. The acceleration rate shall be adequately slow. The vibration data before and after the test shall be compared to determine if there has been no significant increase. The changes in the vibration values shall be judged by an agreement between the supplier and customer.

Criteria of energizing is shown in [Table 4](#).

**Table 4 — Criteria of energizing**

Measurement items	Condition	Criteria
Back-EMF	10 % of maximum speed	Within $\pm 5$ % difference before and after the test
Origin position and waveform of position sensor	Specified speed	Within $\pm 5^\circ$ difference in electrical angle before and after the test
Torque - speed characteristics	Operating point "a" and "c"	Within $\pm 5$ % difference in the torque before and after the test
Vibration	During acceleration to the maximum speed by inverter (acceleration rate: adequately slow)	No significant increase

**4.1.1.5.3 Disassembling**

The motor shall be disassembled, and each part shall be investigated. The items and criteria are shown in [Table 5](#).

Differences which adversely affect motor performance shall not occur after disassembling. Details of criteria shall be agreed by the supplier and customer.

NOTE Disassembling is optional and is agreed by the supplier and customer in case of abnormalities in the non-destructive examinations.

**Table 5 — Criteria of disassembling**

Parts/places	Details of investigation	Criteria
Bearing	Transferred side scratch, grease degradation, creep	Scratch not leading to noise Grease degradation < reference value No creep
End ring	Deformation, crack	No large deformation No crack
Motor shaft key	Deformation, wear	No large deformation No large wear
Rotor fixture (magnet, cage, etc.)	Peeling off of adhesive deformation	No peeling
Outer circumference of rotor	Deformation, wear	No large deformation No large wear (According to external size)
Position sensor	Deviation of position (number of poles is also indicated)	Allowable thrust displacement Allowable concentricity

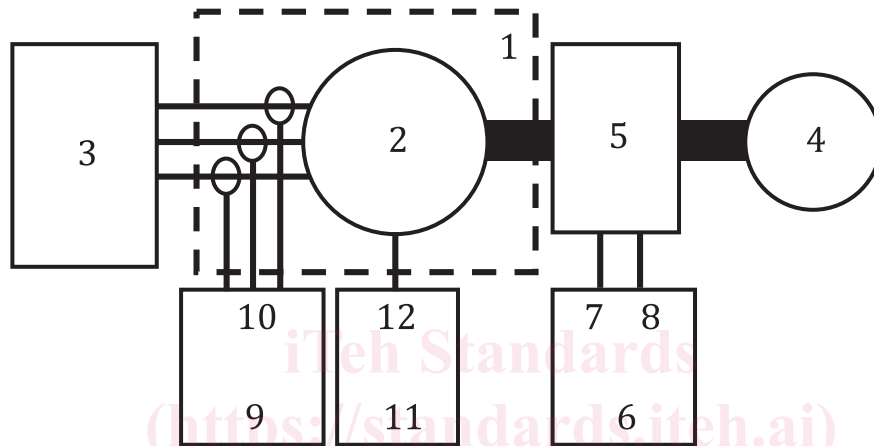
4.1.2 Maximum torque endurance test

4.1.2.1 General

The purpose of this test is to evaluate and rank the strength for the components – motor shaft key, rotor fixture, shaft tightening part, and stator fixtures – which are affected by mechanical fatigue by repeating the intermittent maximum torque of the motor. The test is set considering repeated operations at the upper specification limits of the motor. The test method can be decided by the supplier and customer.

4.1.2.2 Test diagram

The test diagram is shown in Figure 3. The test motor shall be operated at constant speed at the rated voltage outlined in ISO 21782-1 on the motor test bench.



Key

- 1 DUT
- 2 motor
- 3 inverter
- 4 load
- 5 torque/speed detector
- 6 torque/speed meter
- 7 motor torque (in Nm)
- 8 motor speed (in min<sup>-1</sup>)
- 9 power meter
- 10 motor input current (in A)
- 11 thermometer
- 12 motor temperature (in °C)

Figure 3 — Diagram for maximum torque endurance test of motor

4.1.2.3 Test conditions

Test conditions are shown in Table 6.

Table 6 — Conditions for maximum torque endurance test of motor

Test conditions	Value	Remark
Ambient conditions	RT and humidity as defined in ISO 21782-1:2019, 5.4.	
Coolant temperature	Maximum temperature for unlimited operating capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— In case of liquid cooling</li> <li>— Ethylene glycol and propylene glycol as example of coolant</li> </ul>