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## Determination of the resistance to gas explosions of passive fire protection materials —

#### Part 1:

#### **General requirements**

#### 1 Scope

This document aims to simulate the mechanical loads that could be imparted to passive fire protection (PFP) materials and systems by explosions resulting from releases of flammable gas, pressurised liquefied gas or flashing liquid fuels that may precede a fire. This document can also be applicable to dust explosions. Gas explosions can give rise to pressure and drag forces. Damage to PFP materials in a gas explosion can be caused by the direct effects of pressure and drag loadings and by the deflection of the substrate supporting the PFP material. Other parts of the ISO 23693 series will deal with a range of common types of specimen that could be tested against the mechanical loads generated.

#### 2 Normative references

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#### 3 Terms and definitions

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- https://www.iso.org/obp 4b5184a8/iso-23693-1-2021
  - IEC Electropedia: available at <a href="https://www.electropedia.org/">https://www.electropedia.org/</a>

#### 3.1

#### drag load

load on items resulting from the flow of gas generated by a venting gas explosion

#### 3.2

#### impulse

area under a pressure-time history curve

#### 3.3

#### overpressure

difference between actual pressure and ambient pressure

#### 3.4

#### rise time

time for the pressure in a blast wave to rise to the peak overpressure

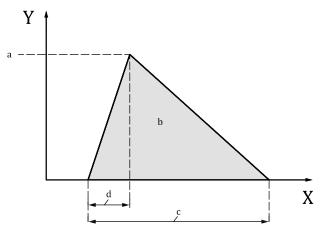
#### 4 Explosion loading

#### 4.1 Overpressure loading

Overpressure loadings shall be characterised as one of two idealised overpressure-time histories that can occur.

#### 4.1.1 Finite rise time

The type of loading that would occur to items close to or inside a gas cloud has a finite rise time. Its characteristics are defined by a peak overpressure, minimum rise time and impulse, as shown in Figure 1.



#### Key

- X time
- Y overpressure
- <sup>a</sup> Peak overpressure.
- b Impulse.
- <sup>c</sup> Duration.
- d Rise time.

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Figure 1 — Example of overpressure-time plot for a finite rise time

#### 4.1.2 Instantaneous rise time

Shock loading that can occur in the far field of a gas explosion has an instantaneous rise time. Its characteristics are defined by peak overpressure and impulse, see Figure 2.