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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 9454-2:1998), of which it constitutes a minor revision.

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- Clause 2 has been updated;
- the coding of the fluxes has been updated in accordance with ISO 9454-1:2016;
- the format of this document has been updated.

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Introduction

Fluxes assist molten solder to wet metals surfaces to be joined by removing oxides and related contaminants from the solder and surfaces of the parts during soldering. Fluxes also protect surfaces from oxidization and assist wetting of the base metals by molten solder.

Care is necessary when selecting a flux for a particular application, in order to ensure an adequate service life of the assembly. Factors such as the ease of residue removal, corrosiveness, possible health and safety hazards and the efficacy of the flux, should all be considered when making the choice.

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