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The main changes are as follows:

- Change of format according to ISO Standards
- Correction of title
- Addition of — title has been updated:
- Clause 2 (Normative references) has been added:
- Revision of Bibliography
- bibliography has been revised.

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## Essential oils — General requirements for labelling and marking of containers

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the general requirements for the labelling and marking of containers for essential oils to enable the identification of the contents.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

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### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/><https://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1

##### labelling

process that permits the identification and characterization of the contents of a container by means of a label, a necklace, an inscription, etc., which does not form part of the container

#### 3.2

##### marking

process that permits the identification and characterization of the contents of a container by means of a mark, a stamp, a picture, which forms part of the container

### 4 General

Because the labels may be totally or partially destroyed, marking is preferred, particularly for large volume containers such as barrels and tins.

However, labels may be convenient for small containers which are used to contain reference samples or test samples.

Material from which the labels are manufactured shall be sufficiently durable to withstand the transport conditions.

The labels shall be fixed by means of a process which renders their replacement impossible and also prevents their subsequent use for other purposes.

The marking shall be affixed directly on the container by a process which makes it durable and indelible.

### 5 Requirements

Labelling and/or marking shall:

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