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– IEC 60695-11-4 [5], *Test flames – 50 W flame – Apparatus and confirmational test method*
– IEC 60695-11-5 [6], *Test flames – Needle-flame test method – Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance*
– IEC 60695-11-10 [7], *Test flames – 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods*
– IEC 60695-11-11 [8], *Test flames – Determination of the characteristic heat flux for ignition from a non-contacting flame source*
– IEC 60695-11-20 [9], *Test flames – 500 W flame test methods*
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INTRODUCTION

In the design of any electrotechnical product, the risk of fire and the potential hazards associated with fire need to be considered. In this respect the objective of component, circuit, and product design, as well as the choice of materials, is to reduce to acceptable levels the potential risks of fire during normal operating conditions, reasonably foreseeable abnormal use, malfunction, and/or failure. The IEC has developed IEC 60695-1-10 [13], together with its companion, IEC 60695-1-11 [14], to provide guidance on how this is to be accomplished.

The primary aims of IEC 60695-1-10 [13] and IEC 60695-1-11 [14] are to provide guidance on how:

a) to prevent ignition caused by an electrically energized component part, and

b) to confine any resulting fire within the bounds of the enclosure of the electrotechnical product in the event of ignition.

Secondary aims of these documents include the minimization of any flame spread beyond the product's enclosure and the minimization of harmful effects of fire effluents such as heat, smoke, toxicity and/or corrosivity.

Fires involving electrotechnical products can also be initiated from external non-electrical sources. Considerations of this nature should be dealt with in the overall fire risk assessment.

This document provides a description of the apparatus required to produce a 1 kW test flame, and provides a description of the principle of a confirmation procedure to check that the effective power output of the flame is as intended. Guidance on confirmatory tests for test flames is given in IEC TR 60695-11-40 [12].

This part of IEC 60695 can involve hazardous materials, operations, and equipment. It does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this document to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 gives the requirements for the production and confirmation of a nominal 1 kW propane/air pre-mixed flame for use in fire hazard testing.

This basic safety publication focusing on safety test method(s) is primarily intended for use by technical committees in the preparation of safety publications in accordance with the principles laid down in IEC GUIDE 104 [1] and ISO/IEC Guide 51 [2].

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications in the preparation of its publications.

The requirements, test methods or test conditions of this basic safety publication will not apply unless specifically referred to or included in the relevant publications.

This document has the status of a horizontal publication in accordance with IEC Guide 108 [3].

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in 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.

IEC 60584-1, *Thermocouples - Part 1: EMF specifications and tolerances*

IEC 60695-4:2021, *Fire hazard testing - Part 4: Terminology concerning fire tests for electrotechnical products*

ISO 13943:2017, *Fire safety — Vocabulary*

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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60695-4:2021and ISO 13943:2017 apply.

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3.1
combustion
exothermic reaction of a substance with an oxidizing agent

Note 1 to entry: Combustion (3.1) generally emits fire effluent accompanied by flames (3.3) and/or glowing.

[SOURCE: ISO 13943:2017, 3.55]

3.2
draught-free environment
space in which the results of experiments are not significantly affected by the local air speed

Note 1 to entry: A qualitative example is a space in which a wax candle flame (3.3) remains essentially undisturbed. Quantitative examples are small-scale fire tests in which a maximum air speed of $0{,}1\ m \times s^{-1}$ or $0{,}2\ m \times s^{-1}$ is sometimes specified.

[SOURCE: ISO 13943:2017, 3.83]

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