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- a) it covers not only the standby and hibernation modes, but also start-up, standby and holding power consumption, as well as other aspects of operation flexibility;
- b) more detailed descriptions of the aspects of microwave power, and handling of the A and B types of equipment.

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1 Scope

This document specifies test methods for the determination of the efficiency of frequency conversion from the electrical input, and of the available and workload microwave output power in industrial microwave heating installations, as well as operational flexibility.

This document is in principle applicable to industrial microwave heating equipment and installations in the frequency range from 300 MHz to 300 GHz but focussed on the microwave ISM frequencies below 6 GHz.

This document relates to industrial microwave heating equipment operating as intended by the manufacturer's specifications for normal operation.

This document does not apply to appliances for household and similar use (covered by IEC 60335-2-25 [1]¹), commercial use (covered by IEC 60335-2-90 [2] and IEC 60335-2-110 [3]) or laboratory use (covered by IEC 61010-2-010 [4]).

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 60050-841, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 841: Industrial electroheat*

IEC 60519-6, *Safety in installations for electroheating and electromagnetic processing - Part 6: Particular requirements for high frequency dielectric and microwave heating and processing equipment*

3 Terms and definitions

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3.1

microwave heating equipment

assembly of electrical and mechanical devices intended for the transfer of microwave energy to the workload and comprising, in general, power supplies, microwave generators or microwave generator assemblies with cooling arrangements and circulators if used, microwave applicators or cavities with ventilation arrangements if used, interconnecting cables and waveguides, control circuitry, and means for transporting the workload if used

¹ Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

3.2**equipment class**

group within a type of equipment, using the same principle for processing of the workload either type A or type B

SEE: Annex A.

Note 1 to entry: An example of type is microwave equipment, and a class example is such equipment for wood drying heating in a specified capacity interval using the ISM frequency 2,45 GHz.

3.3**type A equipment**

<microwave> equipment with the microwave generator (frequency converter part) independent of, or separable from, the applicator to which the microwave power is provided

EXAMPLE A coaxial feeder, a waveguide junction.

Note 1 to entry: This allows the integration of a circulator as protection for the magnetron against reflected microwave power as well as a tuner to minimize microwave reflection for proper tuning/matching.

Note 2 to entry: Any ancillary microwave generator components such as cathode heater transformers and the generator cooling system are also separable.

3.4**type B equipment**

<microwave> equipment with the microwave generator (frequency converter part) being directly coupled to the applicator, without a transmission line in between

3.5**electrical conversion efficiency of microwave heating equipment**

quotient between the available microwave power output and the electrical input to the mains frequency power supply or microwave generator assembly, at power settings for intended operation

3.6**overall efficiency**

efficiency of the complete system including all ancillary power consumption except for workload transport

EXAMPLE Cooling fans or pumps and other cooling systems.

3.7**microwave generator**

source used to produce electromagnetic energy in the frequency range from 300 MHz to 300 GHz

Note 1 to entry: In the context of this document, the microwave generator is only the component where the frequency conversion takes place.

3.8**microwave generator assembly**

part of the microwave heating equipment comprising an apparatus producing microwave energy and its associated transmission line output port

Note 1 to entry: The assembly includes the microwave generator, the power supply of the microwave generator and its ancillary and control circuits. If a circulator is used, it is also included.

Note 2 to entry: Microwave heating equipment containing a microwave generator assembly was classified as type A in earlier editions of IEC 61307; equipment where a transmission line output port is not available was classified as type B.

3.9**microwave applicator**

structure which applies the microwave energy to the load