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## Foreword

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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- A new [Clause 13](#), Measurement uncertainty, has been added;
- a new [Annex B](#), Example of a test report, has been added.

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## 1 Scope

This document specifies the method for rotating bar bending fatigue testing of metallic materials. The tests are conducted at room temperature or elevated temperature in air, the specimen being rotated.

Fatigue tests on notched specimens are not covered by this document, since the shape and size of notched specimens have not been standardized. However, fatigue test procedures described in this document can be applied to fatigue tests of notched specimens.

## 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.

ISO 376, *Metallic materials — Calibration of force-proving instruments used for the verification of uniaxial testing machines*

ISO 1099, *Metallic materials — Fatigue testing — Axial force-controlled method*

ISO 12106, *Metallic materials — Fatigue testing — Axial-strain-controlled method*

ISO 12107, *Metallic materials — Fatigue testing — Statistical planning and analysis of data*

ISO 23718, *Metallic materials — Mechanical testing — Vocabulary*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1099, ISO 12106, ISO 12107, ISO 23718 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### **fatigue**

process of changes in properties which can occur in a metallic material due to the repeated application of stresses or strains and that can lead to cracking or failure

### 3.2

#### **fatigue life**

$N_f$

number of applied cycles to achieve a defined failure criterion