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Foreword

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This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 15138:2007), which has been technically revised.

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

- minimum and maximum temperatures have been added to [5.2.3.3.4](#) below [Table 2](#) for clarification;
- a requirement for black start has been added to [5.3](#);
- requirements for the specific areas stairways/escape routes and air locks have been added to [5.4](#);
- phase-down and phase-out of high and medium global warming potential (GWP) refrigerants are addressed in [5.4](#);
- a reference to new filtration standard and note for chemical filtration have been added to [Table A.1](#);
- fail safe criteria for fire damper for safety critical areas have been added to [Clause A.9](#);
- requirements for duct earthing have been added to [B.1.1](#);
- the datasheet for DX cooling coil has been updated with electronic expansion valve;
- the datasheet for heating coils has been updated with data for self-generated noise.

Petroleum and natural gas industries — Offshore production installations — Heating, ventilation and air-conditioning

1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and provides guidance for the design, testing, installation and commissioning of heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and pressurization systems, and equipment on all offshore production installations for the petroleum and natural gas industries that are

- new or existing,
- normally occupied by personnel or not normally occupied by personnel, and
- fixed or floating but registered as an offshore production installation.

This document is normally applicable to the overall facilities. For installations that can be subject to “Class” or “IMO/MODU Codes & Resolutions”, the user is referred to HVAC requirements under these rules and resolutions. When these requirements are less stringent than those being considered for a fixed installation, then it is necessary that this document, i.e. requirements for fixed installations, be utilized.

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 7235, *Acoustics — Laboratory measurement procedures for ducted silencers and air-terminal units — Insertion loss, flow noise and total pressure loss*

ISO 8861, *Shipbuilding — Engine-room ventilation in diesel-engined ships — Design requirements and basis of calculations*

ISO 12241, *Thermal insulation for building equipment and industrial installations — Calculation rules*

ISO 12499, *Industrial fans — Mechanical safety of fans — Guarding*

ISO 14694:2003, *Industrial fans — Specifications for balance quality and vibration levels*

ISO 21789, *Gas turbine applications — Safety*

IEC 60079-0, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres — Part 0: General requirements*

IEC 60079-10, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres — Part 10: Classification of hazardous areas*

IEC 60079-13, *Electrical apparatus for explosive gas atmospheres — Part 13: Construction and use of rooms or buildings protected by pressurization*

IEC 61892-7, *Mobile and fixed offshore units — Electrical installations — Part 7: Hazardous Areas*

EN 1751, *Ventilation for buildings — Air terminal devices — Aerodynamic testing of dampers and valves*

EN 1886, *Ventilation for buildings — Air handling units — Mechanical performance*

ISO 15138:2018(E)

EN 50272-2, *Safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations — Part 2: Stationary batteries*

API RP 505, *Recommended Practice for Classification of Locations for Electrical Installations at Petroleum Facilities Classified as Class 1, Zone 0, Zone 1 and Zone 2*

IMO Resolution MSC 61(67): Annex 1, Part 5 — *Test for Surface Flammability*

IMO Resolution MSC 61(67): Annex 1, Part 2 — *Smoke and Toxicity Test*

3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological 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

active system

system that relies on energized components

3.2

air-displacement unit

supply device to achieve movement of air within a space in piston- or plug-type motion

Note 1 to entry: No mixing of room air occurs in ideal displacement flow, which is desirable for removing pollutants generated within a space.

3.3

fugitive emission

continuous emission on a molecular scale from all potential leak sources in a plant under normal operating conditions

Note 1 to entry: As a practical interpretation, a fugitive emission is one which cannot be detected by sight, hearing or touch but can be detected using bubble-test techniques or tests of a similar sensitivity.

3.4

open area

area in an open-air situation where vapours are readily dispersed by wind

Note 1 to entry: Typical air velocities in such areas are rarely less than 0,5 m/s and frequently above 2 m/s.

3.5

passive system

system that does not rely on energized components

3.6

temporary refuge

TR

place where personnel can take refuge for a predetermined period while investigations, emergency response and evacuation pre-planning are undertaken

3.7

stagnant area

area where the ventilation rate is less than adequate

4 Abbreviated terms

AC/h	air changes per hour
AHU	air-handling unit
AMCA	Air Movement and Control Association Inc.
API	American Petroleum Institute
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
BS	British Standard
CCR	central control room
CFD	computational fluid dynamics
CIBSE	Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers
CVU	constant-volume unit
D&ID	duct and instrumentation diagram
DX	direct expansion
EN	European Standard
ESD	emergency shutdown
F&G	fire and gas
GWP	global warming potential
HSE	health, safety and environment
HVAC	heating, ventilation and air conditioning
HVCA	Heating and Ventilating Contractors' Association
IACS	International Association of Classification Societies
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IP	Institute of Petroleum
LQ	living quarters
MODU	mobile offshore drilling unit
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NS	Norsk Standard (Norwegian Standard)
TR	temporary refuge