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— the terms used in the field of respiratory protective devices (RPD) have been updated;

— Clause 5, “Units of measurement”, has been deleted;

— Annex A, “Terms and definitions referring to respiratory protective devices in current national standards, regulations or other national contexts”, has been deleted;

— Annex B, “Abbreviations used”, has been deleted.

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Respiratory protective devices — Vocabulary and graphical symbols

1 Scope

This document defines terms and specifies units of measurement for respiratory protective devices (RPDs), excluding diving apparatus. It indicates graphical symbols that can be required on RPDs, parts of RPD or instruction manuals in order to instruct the person(s) using the RPD as to its operation.

NOTE Terms and definitions for diving apparatus are given in EN 250.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms related to respiratory protective devices

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 http://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
abrasive blasting respiratory protective device
breathing apparatus (3.32) incorporating a protective *hood* (3.115) or a *blouse* (3.23) fitted with an *impact resistant* (3.119) *visor* (3.252)

Note 1 to entry: *Breathable air* (3.28) is supplied to the *wearer* (3.257) from a source of air not carried by the wearer.

3.2
accessory
item, or items, that are attached to the *respiratory protective device (RPD)* (3.203) that are not necessary for the RPD to meet the requirements of the RPD performance standard and do not compromise its protection

3.3
adequacy assessment
selection method identifying the *respiratory protective device* (3.203) is able to reduce the *wearer's* (3.257) inhalation exposure to acceptable levels

3.4
adequate respiratory protective device
adequate RPD
RPD (3.203) capable of reducing the inhalation exposure to an acceptable level

3.5
aerodynamic diameter
diameter of a unit density sphere having the same settling velocity as the *particle* (3.170) in question

3.6
aerosol
suspension of solid, liquid, or solid and liquid *particles* (3.170) in a gaseous medium, having a negligible falling velocity (generally considered to be less than 0,25 m/s)

3.7
aerosol penetration
ability of *particles* (3.170) to pass through a particle-filtering material

3.8
air flow resistance
pressure difference between upstream and downstream locations caused by the flow of air through the parts and components of a *respiratory protective device* (3.203) such as an *exhalation valve* (3.79), *inhalation valve* (3.120), *filter(s)* (3.86), and *tube* (3.245), etc.

3.9
air supply hose
fresh air supply hose
hose (3.116) for the supply of air at about atmospheric pressure

3.10
ambient air bypass
means to enable the *wearer* (3.257) to breathe the *ambient atmosphere* (3.12) before entering and after leaving a *hazardous atmosphere* (3.108)

3.11
ambient air system
device used to deliver ambient air at a *low pressure* (3.134) directly to a *breathable gas* (3.29) *respiratory protective device* (3.203) (manually or power assisted)

3.12
ambient atmosphere
air surrounding the *wearer* (3.257)

3.13
ambient concentration
concentration of a compound in the air surrounding the *wearer* (3.257)

3.14
ambient laboratory conditions
atmosphere where the temperature is between 16 °C and 32 °C and the relative humidity is between 20 % and 80 %

3.15
apertometer
extended hemispherical dome for measuring the angular area of the *field of vision* (3.85) [*peripheral isopter* (3.176)] of a *respiratory protective device* (3.203) when mounted on a *respiratory protective device headform* (3.204)

3.16
as received
not preconditioned or modified to carry out a test

3.17
assigned protection factor
APF
anticipated level of respiratory protection that would be provided by a properly functioning *respiratory protective device (RPD)* (3.203) or class of RPD within an effective *RPD programme* (3.207)

3.18
assisted filtering respiratory protective device
assisted filtering RPD
filtering RPD (3.90) where *breathable gas* (3.29) is actively supplied to the *wearer* (3.257) by the *RPD* (3.203)