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### Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure

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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. IEC 60695-1-10 [1]<sup>1</sup> was developed, together with its companion, IEC 60695-1-11 [2], to provide guidance on how this is to be accomplished.

The primary aims of IEC 60695-1-10 and IEC 60695-1-11 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.

In electrotechnical equipment, overheated metal parts can act as ignition sources. In glow-wire tests, a glowing wire is used to simulate such an ignition source.

This part of IEC 60695 gives recommendations with regard to the glow-wire test apparatus and describes a common test procedure for tests applicable to end products and materials to be used with IEC 60695-2-11 which describes a glow-wire flammability test for end products (GWEPT), IEC 60695-2-12 which describes a glow-wire flammability index test for materials (GWFI), and IEC 60695-2-13 which describes a glow-wire ignition temperature test method for materials (GWIT).

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### Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 specifies the glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure to simulate the effects of thermal stresses which may be produced by heat sources such as glowing elements or overloaded resistors, for short periods, in order to assess the fire hazard by a simulation technique.

The test procedure described in this document is a common test procedure intended for the small-scale tests in which a standardized electrically heated wire is used as a source of ignition.

It is a common part of the test procedures applied to end products and to solid electrical insulating materials or other solid combustible materials.

A detailed description of each particular test procedure is given in IEC 60695-2-11, IEC 60695-2-12 and IEC 60695-2-13.

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Cette édition inclut les modifications techniques majeures suivantes par rapport à l'édition précédente:

- a) De nouveaux termes et définitions concernant les moments et les durées ont été ajoutés à l'Article 3.
- b) L'ancienne Annexe A relative aux fabricants et fournisseurs d'appareillage a été supprimée.

- c) L'Annexe A (ancienne Annexe B) relative aux observations sur l'allumage et l'inflammation qui était informative est devenue normative.
- d) Une nouvelle Annexe C qui donne une représentation des moments et des durées, ainsi que des exemples du comportement des éprouvettes d'essai, et de la manière de les évaluer a été ajoutée.

Le texte de cette Norme internationale est issu des documents suivants:

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89/1535/FDIS	89/1547/RVD

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## INTRODUCTION

Lors de la conception d'un quelconque produit électrotechnique, il est nécessaire de prendre en considération le danger d'incendie et les dangers potentiels associés au feu. À cet égard, la conception des composants, circuits et produits ainsi que le choix des matériaux ont pour objectif de réduire à des niveaux acceptables les risques potentiels d'incendie dans les conditions de fonctionnement normal, d'utilisation anormale raisonnablement prévisible, de dysfonctionnement et/ou de défaillance. L'IEC 60695-1-10 [1]<sup>1</sup> a été élaborée, avec sa norme associée, l'IEC 60695-1-11 [2], afin de fournir des recommandations sur les méthodes de réalisation correspondantes.

L'IEC 60695-1-10 et l'IEC 60695-1-11 ont pour principaux objectifs de fournir des recommandations relatives aux éléments suivants:

- a) éviter l'allumage provoqué par une partie de composant à alimentation électrique, et
- b) confiner le feu résultant dans les limites de l'enceinte du produit électrotechnique en cas d'allumage.

Les objectifs secondaires de ces documents comprennent la réduction de toute propagation de la flamme au-delà de l'enceinte du produit et la réduction des effets nuisibles des effluents du feu tels que la chaleur, la fumée, la toxicité et/ou la corrosivité.

Les feux impliquant des produits électrotechniques peuvent également être déclenchés par des sources externes non électriques. Il convient de prendre en considération ces éléments dans le cadre de l'appréciation globale du danger d'incendie.

Dans l'appareillage électrotechnique, les parties métalliques surchauffées peuvent constituer des sources d'allumage. Pour les essais au fil incandescent, un fil incandescent est utilisé pour simuler ce type de source d'allumage.

La présente partie de l'IEC 60695 donne des recommandations relatives à l'appareillage d'essai au fil incandescent et décrit une méthode commune d'essai applicable aux essais de produits finis et matériaux à utiliser avec l'IEC 60695-2-11 qui décrit une méthode d'essai d'inflammabilité au fil incandescent pour produits finis (GWEPT), l'IEC 60695-2-12 qui décrit une méthode d'essai d'indice d'inflammabilité au fil incandescent sur matériaux (GWFI) et l'IEC 60695-2-13 qui décrit une méthode d'essai de température d'allumage au fil incandescent (GWIT) pour matériaux.

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<sup>1</sup> Les chiffres entre crochets se réfèrent à la Bibliographie.

## ESSAIS RELATIFS AUX RISQUES DU FEU –

### Partie 2-10: Essais au fil incandescent/chauffant – Appareillage et méthode commune d'essai

#### 1 Domaine d'application

La présente partie de l'IEC 60695 spécifie l'appareillage et la méthode commune d'essai au fil incandescent pour simuler l'effet de contraintes thermiques qui peuvent être produites par des sources de chaleur telles que des éléments incandescents ou des résistances surchargées, sur de courtes durées, afin d'évaluer de façon simulée les dangers d'incendie.

La méthode d'essai décrite dans le présent document représente une méthode commune d'essai destinée aux essais à petite échelle qui utilisent un fil normalisé chauffé électriquement comme source d'allumage.

Il s'agit d'une partie commune des méthodes d'essai appliquées aux produits finis et aux matériaux isolants électriques solides ou à d'autres matériaux combustibles.

Une description détaillée de chaque méthode d'essai particulière est donnée dans l'IEC 60695-2-11, l'IEC 60695-2-12 et l'IEC 60695-2-13.

La présente publication fondamentale de sécurité, fondée sur la ou les méthodes d'essai de sécurité, est essentiellement destinée à être utilisée par les comités d'études dans le cadre de l'élaboration de publications de sécurité conformément aux principes établis dans le Guide IEC 104 et le Guide ISO/IEC 51.

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IEC 60584-1, *Couples thermoélectriques – Partie 1: Spécifications et tolérances en matière de FEM*

IEC 60695-2-11, *Essais relatifs aux risques du feu – Partie 2-11: Essais au fil incandescent/chauffant – Méthode d'essai d'inflammabilité pour produits finis (GWEPT)*

IEC 60695-2-12, *Essais relatifs aux risques du feu – Partie 2-12: Essais au fil incandescent/chauffant – Méthode d'essai d'indice d'inflammabilité au fil incandescent (GWFI) pour matériaux*

IEC 60695-2-13, *Essais relatifs aux risques du feu – Partie 2-13: Essais au fil incandescent/chauffant – Méthode d'essai de température d'allumabilité au fil incandescent (GWIT) pour matériaux*

ISO 4046-4:2016, *Papier, carton, pâtes et termes connexes – Vocabulaire – Partie 4: Catégories et produits transformés de papier et de carton*

ISO 13943:2017, *Sécurité au feu – Vocabulaire*