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DISPOSITIFS D'INTERCONNEXION ET COMPOSANTS PASSIFS FIBRONIQUES – MÉTHODES FONDAMENTALES D'ESSAIS ET DE MESURES –

Partie 2-46: Essais – Chaleur humide, essai cyclique

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Partie 2-46: Essais – Chaleur humide, essai cyclique

1 Domaine d'application

L'objet de cette partie de l'IEC 61300 est de décrire un essai destiné à déterminer l'aptitude d'un dispositif fibronique à supporter un environnement très humide avec d'importantes variations de température, susceptible de se produire en fonctionnement réel, pendant le stockage et/ou le transport.

L'essai est d'abord destiné à déterminer l'aptitude des composants fibroniques à une utilisation dans des conditions de forte humidité, associées à des changements de température cycliques, et produisant en général de la condensation à la surface du dispositif soumis à l'essai (DSE). La pénétration de l'humidité peut entraîner un gonflement susceptible de détériorer le fonctionnement normal, causer des pertes de rigidité physique et provoquer des changements dans d'autres propriétés mécaniques importantes. Des dégradations des propriétés optiques peuvent également se produire.

Bien qu'il ne soit pas nécessairement prévu comme un essai tropical simulé, cet essai peut cependant être utile pour déterminer l'absorption de l'humidité par les matériaux d'isolation ou de couverture.

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IEC 60068-3-6, *Environmental testing – Part 3-6: Supporting documentation and guidance – Confirmation of the performance of temperature/ humidity chambers* (disponible en anglais seulement)

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IEC 61300-3-1, *Dispositifs d'interconnexion et composants passifs à fibres optiques – Méthodes fondamentales d'essais et de mesures – Partie 3-1: Examens et mesures – Examen visuel*

IEC 61300-3-3, *Dispositifs d'interconnexion et composants passifs à fibres optiques – Méthodes fondamentales d'essais et de mesures – Partie 3-3: Examens et mesures – Contrôle actif des variations de l'affaiblissement et de l'affaiblissement de réflexion*