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Due to the trend towards a globalised, technological and connected society there is a rising demand for a new breed of technologies enabling low-priced, flexible and new-concept products. Some conventional technologies (including silicon-based microelectronics) have reached their limits due to their high fabrication costs and environmental impact. Armed with new printing technologies (e.g., ink jet) and innovative materials, printed electronics have recently emerged as a promising, environmentally friendly route toward producing electronic, display or energy storage articles at low cost, enabling new creative technologies such as flexible electronics. Currently, this technology is beginning to be applied for the industrial production of items such as photovoltaic devices, signage, RFID, batteries, lighting devices, some parts of display devices, where cost, flexibility and recycling are very critical issues. For successful industrialization of this technology, reliability and repeatability in equipment and process should be provided under global standardization.

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- SC 21A: Secondary cells and batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes
- TC 35: Primary cells and batteries
- TC 113: Nanotechnology for electrotechnical products and systems

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62899 specifies failure modes and mechanical stress test methods for the determination of reliability characteristics of bendable or flexible printed primary cells and secondary cells and batteries as defined in IEC 60050-482:2004, 482-01-01, IEC 60050-482:2004, 482-01-02, IEC 60050-482:2004, 482-01-03, IEC 60050-482:2004, 482-01-04 and IEC 60050-482:2004, 482-01-05, respectively.

Important parameters and specifications for primary cells are mentioned in IEC 60086-1 and IEC 60086-2. IEC 61960-3, as well as IEC 61951-1 and IEC 61951-2 define performance tests, designations, markings, dimensions and other requirements for secondary single cells and batteries. IEC 62133-1 and IEC 62133-2 address general safety requirements of secondary cells and batteries.

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IEC 60050-482, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 482: Primary and secondary cells and batteries* (available at [www.electropedia.org](http://www.electropedia.org))

ISO/IEC 10373-1, *Identification cards – Test methods – Part 1: General characteristics*