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Part 1: General requirements on test material and test equipment**

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- a) Almost all of the test equipment is adopted from IEC 62885-2:2021.
- b) Test equipment and materials for wet cleaning is included.
- c) A description of the verification of an in-house reference vacuum cleaner is added.
- d) Information about the reference vacuum cleaner system RSB is added.

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## INTRODUCTION

IEC subcommittee 59F has agreed to make a collection of test material and test equipment used in standards for testing surface cleaning appliances and to publish this collection as a technical specification.

Regular maintenance of the technical specification ensures that other standards that refer to this TS always reference the current status regarding test material and test equipment.

The intention with this document is to ensure a minimum of test material types and common use of these materials in tests of various surface cleaning appliances.

For information on supplies of test materials and details of test equipment, see [Annex A](#).

## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62885, which is a Technical Specification, specifies the physical characteristics of test equipment and material used in tests common to several products covered by [IEC 62885 \(all parts\)](#) for surface cleaning appliances. In addition, it provides guidance regarding the evaluation of Wilton and other types of carpets to determine their acceptability for testing and regarding the pre-treatment of test dust.

## 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.

IEC 60688, *Electrical measuring transducers for converting AC and DC electrical quantities to analogue or digital signals*

IEC 60704-2-1:2020, *Household and similar electrical appliances - Test code for the determination of airborne acoustical noise - Part 2-1: Particular requirements for dry vacuum cleaners*

IEC 60734:2012, *Household electrical appliances - Performance - Water for testing*

IEC 62885-2:2021, *Surface cleaning appliances - Part 2: Dry vacuum cleaners for household or similar use - Methods for measuring the performance*

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IEC/ASTM 62885-7:2020/AMD1:2022, *Amendment 1 - Surface cleaning appliances - Part 7: Dry cleaning robots for household or similar use - Methods for measuring the performance*

ISO 1763, *Textile floor coverings - Determination of number of tufts and/or loops per unit length and per unit area*

ISO 1765, *Machine-made textile floor coverings - Determination of thickness*

ISO 1766, *Textile floor coverings - Determination of thickness of pile above the substrate*

ISO 1833-1, *Textiles - Quantitative chemical analysis - General principles of testing*

ISO 2060, *Textiles - Yarn from packages - Determination of linear density (mass per unit length) by the skein method*

ISO 2061, *Textiles - Determination of twist in yarns - Direct counting method*

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