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ISO/IEC 17025	2017	General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories	EN ISO/IEC 17025	2017
ISO/TR 11610	-	Protective clothing - Vocabulary	CEN ISO/TR 11610	-
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- addition of the *Incident energy limit (ELIM)* as a further *arc rating* performance property value;
- replacement of char length requirement in the scope by indication that Procedure A is applicable for testing of *materials* meeting the limited flame spread requirements of IEC 61482-2;

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- clarification of the definition and the meaning of the *Stoll curve*;
- modification of specification of positioning of *monitor sensors* with respect to the *electric arc* as function of intended high *incident energy* exposure of test specimens;
- modification of specifications of *monitor sensor* construction;
- specification of black paint;
- elimination of *calorimeters* from the chest of the mannequin;
- specification for possible positioning of mannequin(s) at a height different from the centre of the *electric arc* and possible turning in order to adequately expose all parts of the *garment* or clothing which would affect performance;
- more explicit description of requirements for data acquisition system;
- preconditioning of the samples;
- modification of requirements for apparatus and arc exposure verification by *bare shots*;
- more explicit description of test procedures A and B, in particular the subclauses dealing with “sequence of test”, “test parameter” and “test criteria”;
- addition of determination of *arc rating* values of *garments* and/or *garment* assemblies.

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## Part 1-1: Test methods – Method 1: Determination of the arc rating (ELIM, ATPV and/or EBT) of clothing materials and of protective clothing using an open arc

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61482 specifies test method procedures to determine the *arc rating of flame resistant clothing materials and garments or assemblies of garments* intended for use in clothing for workers if there is an *electric arc* hazard.

An *open arc* under controlled laboratory conditions is used to determine the values of *ELIM*, *ATPV* or *EBT* of *materials, garments or assemblies of garments*.

NOTE 1 The user can, if he desires, classify the arc protective performance into *arc rating* protection levels based on *ELIM*, *ATPV* and/or *EBT* values which correspond best to the different hazard and risks levels that can result from the user's risk analysis.

NOTE 2 This document is not dedicated to classifying the arc protective performance of the *material* and clothing into arc protection classes. Procedures determining these arc protection classes APC1 and APC2 are specified in IEC 61482-1-2, which uses a constrained arc for testing.

NOTE 3 This test method is not intended and not appropriate to evaluate whether *materials or garments are flame resistant* or not, as this is covered in IEC 61482-2.

Other effects than the thermal effects of an *electric arc* like noise, light emissions, pressure rise, hot oil, electric shock, the consequences of physical and mental shock or toxic influences are not covered by this document.

*Protective clothing* for work intentionally using an *electric arc*, e.g. arc welding, plasma torch, is not covered by this document.

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