



**BSI Standards Publication**

## **Environmental testing**

---

Part 2-75: Tests — Test Eh: Hammer tests

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

## National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. It is identical to IEC 60068-2-75:2014, incorporating amendment 1:2025. It supersedes BS EN 60068-2-75:2014, which will be withdrawn on 31 December 2028.

The start and finish of text introduced or altered by amendment is indicated in the text by tags. Tags indicating changes to IEC text carry the number of the IEC amendment. For example, text altered by IEC amendment 1 is indicated by **A1** ~~A1~~.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee GEL/104, Environmental conditions, classification and testing.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its committee manager.

### Contractual and legal considerations

This publication has been prepared in good faith, however no representation, warranty, assurance or undertaking (express or implied) is or will be made, and no responsibility or liability is or will be accepted by BSI in relation to the adequacy, accuracy, completeness or reasonableness of this publication. All and any such responsibility and liability is expressly disclaimed to the full extent permitted by the law.

This publication is provided as is, and is to be used at the recipient's own risk.

The recipient is advised to consider seeking professional guidance with respect to its use of this publication.

This publication is not intended to constitute a contract. Users are responsible for its correct application.

© The British Standards Institution 2026  
Published by BSI Standards Limited 2026

ISBN 978 0 539 28738 7

ICS 19.040

### Compliance with a British Standard cannot confer immunity from legal obligations.

This British Standard was published under the authority of the Standards Policy and Strategy Committee on 30 November 2014.

### Amendments/corrigenda issued since publication

Date	Text affected
31 January 2026	Implementation of IEC amendment 1:2025 with CENELEC endorsement A1:2025

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

## EUROPÄISCHE NORM

December 2025

ICS 19.040

Supersedes EN 60068-2-75:1997

English Version

## Environmental testing - Part 2-75: Tests - Test Eh: Hammer tests (IEC 60068-2-75:2014)

Essais d'environnement -  
Partie 2-75: Essais - Test Eh: Essais au marteau  
(CEI 60068-2-75:2014)

Umgebungseinflüsse -  
Teil: 2-75: Prüfungen - Prüfung Eh: Hammerprüfungen  
(IEC 60068-2-75:2014)

This European Standard was approved by CENELEC on 2014-10-08. CENELEC members are bound to comply with the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations which stipulate the conditions for giving this European Standard the status of a national standard without any alteration.

Up-to-date lists and bibliographical references concerning such national standards may be obtained on application to the CEN-CENELEC Management Centre or to any CENELEC member.

This European Standard exists in three official versions (English, French, German). A version in any other language made by translation under the responsibility of a CENELEC member into its own language and notified to the CEN-CENELEC Management Centre has the same status as the official versions.

CENELEC members are the national electrotechnical committees of Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.



European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization  
Comité Européen de Normalisation Electrotechnique  
Europäisches Komitee für Elektrotechnische Normung

**CEN-CENELEC Management Centre: Avenue Marnix 17, B-1000 Brussels**

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

The text of document 104/635/FDIS, future edition 2 of IEC 60068-2-75, prepared by IEC/TC 104 "Environmental conditions, classification and methods of test" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN 60068-2-75:2014.

The following dates are fixed:

- latest date by which the document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2015-07-08
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with the document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2017-10-08

This document supersedes EN 60068-2-75:1997.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CENELEC [and/or CEN] shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

### **Endorsement notice**

The text of the International Standard IEC 60068-2-75:2014 was approved by CENELEC as a European Standard without any modification.

## **European foreword to amendment A1**

The text of document 104/1106/FDIS, future edition 2 of IEC 60068-2-75/AMD1, prepared by TC 104 "Environmental conditions, classification and methods of test" was submitted to the IEC-CENELEC parallel vote and approved by CENELEC as EN 60068-2-75:2014/A1:2025.

The following dates are fixed:

- latest date by which the document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) 2026-12-31
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with the document have to be withdrawn (dow) 2028-12-31

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CENELEC shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

Any feedback and questions on this document should be directed to the users' national committee. A complete listing of these bodies can be found on the CENELEC website.

### **Endorsement notice**

The text of the International Standard IEC 60068-2-75:2014/AMD1:2025 was approved by CENELEC as a European Standard without any modification.

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.

(normative)

### Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

NOTE 1 When an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: [www.cenelec.eu](http://www.cenelec.eu)

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60068-1	-	Environmental testing - Part 1: General and guidance	EN 60068-1	-
IEC 60721-1	-	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 1: Environmental parameters and their severities	EN 60721-1	-
IEC Guide 104	-	The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications	-	-
IEC Guide 108	-	Guidelines for ensuring the coherency of IEC publications - Application of horizontal standards	-	-
ISO 48-4	-	Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic - Determination of hardness - Part 4: Indentation hardness by durometer method (Shore hardness)	-	-
ISO 1052	-	Steels for general engineering purposes	-	-
ISO 2039-2	-	Plastics - Determination of hardness - Part 2: Rockwell hardness	EN ISO 2039-2	-
ISO 2041	-	Mechanical vibration, shock and condition monitoring - Vocabulary	-	-
ISO 2768-1	-	General tolerances - Part 1: Tolerances for linear and angular dimensions without individual tolerance indications	EN 22768-1	-
ISO 6508-1	-	Metallic materials - Rockwell hardness test - Part 1: Test method	EN ISO 6508-1	-

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

FOREWORD .....	3
INTRODUCTION .....	5
1 Scope .....	6
2 Normative references .....	6
3 Terms and definitions .....	6
4 Provisions common to all hammer test methods .....	7
4.1 Severities .....	7
4.1.1 General .....	7
4.1.2 Impact energy value .....	7
4.1.3 Number of impacts .....	7
4.2 Test apparatus .....	8
4.2.1 Description .....	8
4.2.2 Mounting .....	9
4.3 Preconditioning .....	9
4.4 Initial measurements .....	9
4.5 Testing .....	9
4.5.1 General .....	9
4.5.2 Attitudes and impact locations .....	9
4.5.3 Preparation of the specimen .....	9
4.5.4 Operating mode and functional monitoring .....	9
4.6 Recovery .....	10
4.7 Final measurements .....	10
4.8 Information to be given in the relevant specification .....	10
5 Test Eha: Pendulum hammer .....	10
5.1 Test apparatus .....	10
5.1.1 General .....	10
5.1.2 Test apparatus for severities not exceeding 1 J .....	11
5.1.3 Test apparatus for severities of 2 J and above .....	11
5.2 Height of fall .....	11
5.3 Testing .....	11
6 Test Ehb: Spring hammer .....	12
6.1 Test apparatus .....	12
6.2 Influence of earth's gravity .....	13
6.3 Calibration .....	13
7 Test Ehc: Vertical hammer .....	13
7.1 Test apparatus .....	13
7.2 Height of fall .....	13
Annex A (normative) Shapes of striking elements .....	14
Annex B (normative) Procedure for the calibration of spring hammers .....	17
B.1 Principle of calibration .....	17
B.2 Construction of the calibration device .....	17
B.3 Method of calibration of the calibration device .....	17
B.4 Use of the calibration device .....	18
Annex C (informative) Guidance notes .....	24
C.1 When is an impact test appropriate? .....	24
C.2 Choice of test apparatus .....	24

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

C.4 Information for testing .....	25
Annex D (informative) Example of pendulum hammer test apparatus .....	26
Annex E (informative) Example of spring hammer test apparatus .....	29
Bibliography .....	31
Figure 1 – Example sketch of a striking element .....	8
Figure 2 – Derivation of measuring point .....	12
Figure 3 – Shape of release head for 2 J .....	13
Figure A.1 – Example of a striking element for $\leq 1$ J .....	14
Figure A.2 – Example of a striking element for 2 J .....	14
Figure A.3 – Example of a striking element for 5 J .....	15
Figure A.4 – Example of a striking element for 10 J .....	15
Figure A.5 – Example of a striking element for 20 J .....	16
Figure A.6 – Example of a striking element for 50 J .....	16
Figure B.1 – Calibration device .....	19
Figure B.2 – Pendulum "c" .....	20
Figure B.3 – Steel spring of pendulum "c" .....	20
Figure B.4 – Details of calibration device .....	21
Figure B.5 – Arrangement for the calibration of the calibration device .....	22
Figure B.6 – Division of scale plate "f" .....	23
Figure D.1 – Test apparatus .....	26
Figure D.2 – Striking element of the pendulum hammer for energies $\leq 1$ J .....	27
Figure D.3 – Mounting fixture .....	27
Figure D.4 – Adapter for flush-type switches .....	28
Figure D.5 – Adapter for lamp holders .....	28
Figure E.1 – Spring hammer test apparatus .....	30
Table 1 – Coordinated characteristics of the striking elements .....	8
Table 2 – Height of fall .....	11
Table C.1 – Energy levels in joules .....	24
Table E.1 – Kinetic energy of striking element .....	29

---

## **Environmental testing - Part 2-75: Tests - Test Eh: Hammer tests**

### **FOREWORD**

- 1) The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is a worldwide organization for standardization comprising all national electrotechnical committees (IEC National Committees). The object of IEC is to promote international co-operation on all questions concerning standardization in the electrical and electronic fields. To this end and in addition to other activities, IEC publishes International Standards, Technical Specifications, Technical Reports, Publicly Available Specifications (PAS) and Guides (hereafter referred to as "IEC Publication(s)"). Their preparation is entrusted to technical committees; any IEC National Committee interested in the subject dealt with may participate in this preparatory work. International, governmental and non-governmental organizations liaising with the IEC also participate in this preparation. IEC collaborates closely with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in accordance with conditions determined by agreement between the two organizations.
- 2) The formal decisions or agreements of IEC on technical matters express, as nearly as possible, an international consensus of opinion on the relevant subjects since each technical committee has representation from all interested IEC National Committees.
- 3) IEC Publications have the form of recommendations for international use and are accepted by IEC National Committees in that sense. While all reasonable efforts are made to ensure that the technical content of IEC Publications is accurate, IEC cannot be held responsible for the way in which they are used or for any misinterpretation by any end user.
- 4) In order to promote international uniformity, IEC National Committees undertake to apply IEC Publications transparently to the maximum extent possible in their national and regional publications. Any divergence between any IEC Publication and the corresponding national or regional publication shall be clearly indicated in the latter.
- 5) IEC itself does not provide any attestation of conformity. Independent certification bodies provide conformity assessment services and, in some areas, access to IEC marks of conformity. IEC is not responsible for any services carried out by independent certification bodies.
- 6) All users should ensure that they have the latest edition of this publication.
- 7) No liability shall attach to IEC or its directors, employees, servants or agents including individual experts and members of its technical committees and IEC National Committees for any personal injury, property damage or other damage of any nature whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, or for costs (including legal fees) and expenses arising out of the publication, use of, or reliance upon, this IEC Publication or any other IEC Publications.
- 8) Attention is drawn to the Normative references cited in this publication. Use of the referenced publications is indispensable for the correct application of this publication.
- 9) IEC draws attention to the possibility that the implementation of this document may involve the use of (a) patent(s). IEC takes no position concerning the evidence, validity or applicability of any claimed patent rights in respect thereof. As of the date of publication of this document, IEC had not received notice of (a) patent(s), which may be required to implement this document. However, implementers are cautioned that this may not represent the latest information, which may be obtained from the patent database available at <https://patents.iec.ch>. IEC shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

Environmental conditions, classification and methods of test.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition, published in 1997, and constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical change with respect to the previous edition:

- reconsideration of some values in Tables 1 and 2. Although some values are no longer recommended, they have been retained as alternatives for historical consistency purposes.

It has the status of: a basic safety publication in accordance with IEC Guide 104.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

FDIS	Report on voting
104/635/FDIS	104/637/RVD

Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

A list of all parts in the IEC 60068 series, published under the general title *Environmental testing*, can be found on the IEC website.

The committee has decided that the contents of this document and its amendment will remain unchanged until the stability date indicated on the IEC website under [webstore.iec.ch](http://webstore.iec.ch) in the data related to the specific document. At this date, the document will be

- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn, or
- revised.

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

Mechanical impacts likely to stress electrotechnical equipment in service can be generated by hammers of various types. For standardization purposes, the results of such testing should not depend on the type of testing apparatus and therefore, the characteristics of the various types of test hammers described in this part of IEC 60068 are intended to be as close as practicable for the same severity level.

It is important to note that both Clause 3 and the test method selected from Clauses 4, 5, and 6 need to be complied with in order to satisfy the requirements of this International Standard.

The severity levels are, in general, taken from IEC 60721-1.

For coordination purposes, it has been necessary to change certain fundamental parameters of the previous tests Ef: Impact, pendulum hammer, and Eg: Impact, spring hammer. In all cases, both sets of parameters are shown at the appropriate places in the text. Although some values are no longer recommended, they have been retained as alternatives for historical consistency purposes. This is because they have application in certain industries as historic comparators.

This is a preview of BS EN 60068-2-75:2014+A1:2025. [Click here to purchase the full version from the ANSI store.](#)

## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60068 provides three standardized and coordinated test methods for determining the ability of a specimen to withstand specified severities of impact. It is used, in particular, to demonstrate an acceptable level of robustness when assessing the safety of a product and is primarily intended for the testing of electrotechnical items. It consists of the application to the specimen of a prescribed number of impacts defined by their impact energy and applied in the prescribed directions.

This part of IEC 60068 covers energy levels ranging from 0,14 J (joules) to 50 J (joules).

Three types of test apparatus are applicable to perform these tests. Annex C provides some guidance as to this aspect.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60068-1, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 60721-1, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 1: Environmental parameters and their severities*

IEC Guide 104, *The preparation of safety publications and the use of basic safety publications and group safety publications*

IEC Guide 108, *Guidelines for ensuring the coherency of IEC publications – Application of horizontal standards*

☐<sup>A1</sup> ISO 48-4, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic - Determination of hardness* ☐<sup>A1</sup>

ISO 1052, *Steels for general engineering purposes*

ISO 2039-2, *Plastics – Determination of hardness – Part 2: Rockwell hardness*

ISO 2041, *Vibration and shock and condition monitoring – Vocabulary*

ISO 2768-1, *General tolerances – Part 1: Tolerances for linear and angular dimensions without individual tolerances indications*

☐<sup>A1</sup> ISO 6508-1, *Metallic materials - Rockwell hardness test - Part 1: Test method* ☐<sup>A1</sup>

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions used in ISO 2041 or in IEC 60068-1, together with the following, apply.

### 3.1

#### **combined mass of the striking element**

sum of the masses of the striking element and of the element's fixing system