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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 1988. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

- a) adaption to modern measurement and evaluation methods, in particular the introduction of the widely spread digital sampling method for the acquisition and evaluation of the measured data;
- b) introduction of formal changes which adapt this standard to other standards of the 60404 series;
- c) revision of the problem of the air flux compensation taking account of the condition of the higher frequencies;

- d) revision of the capacitive coupling of mutual inductor windings together with the consideration of the alternative method of numerical air flux compensation.

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

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

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- reconfirmed,
- withdrawn,
- replaced by a revised edition, or
- amended.

A bilingual version of this publication may be issued at a later date.

The contents of the corrigendum of March 2018 have been included in this copy.

INTRODUCTION

Besides the fact that the first edition of this part of IEC 60404 is more than 25 years old, the main purpose of this revision is to adapt it to modern measurement and evaluation methods, in particular to introduce the widely spread digital sampling method for the acquisition and evaluation of the measured data.

In addition, the problem of the air flux compensation had to be re-considered under the condition of the elevated frequencies. Capacitive coupling of mutual inductor windings require observance of significant phase shift influence and suggest consideration of the alternative method of numerical air flux compensation. An increase of the frequency range to 20 kHz was discussed by TC 68 since some manufacturers of electrical steel include this range in their catalogues. However, TC 68 decided to keep the frequency range to that defined in IEC 60404-10:1988: 400 Hz to 10 kHz.

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Part 10: Methods of measurement of magnetic properties of electrical steel strip and sheet at medium frequencies

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60404 is applicable to grain-oriented and non-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet for measurements of a.c. magnetic properties in the frequency range 400 Hz to 10 000 Hz.

The object of this document is to define the general principles and the technical details of the measurement of magnetic properties of electrical steel strip and sheet by means of an Epstein frame.

The Epstein frame is applicable to test specimens obtained from electrical steel strips and sheets of any grade. The AC magnetic characteristics are determined for sinusoidal induced voltages, for specified peak values of magnetic polarization and for a specified frequency.

The measurements are to be made at an ambient temperature of $(23 \pm 5)^\circ\text{C}$ on test specimens which have first been demagnetized.

NOTE Throughout this document the term "magnetic polarization" is used as defined in IEC 60050-221. In some standards of the IEC 60404 series, the term "magnetic flux density" was used.

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 60050-121, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 121: Electromagnetism*

IEC 60050-221, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 221: Magnetic materials and components*

IEC 60404-8 (all parts), *Magnetic materials – Part 8: Specifications for individual materials*

IEC 60404-13, *Magnetic materials – Part 13: Methods of measurement of density, resistivity and stacking factor of electrical steel sheet and strip*