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Foreword

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- lessening of the requirements on reagents and correction of the ambient test conditions ([Figure 2](#)) to reflect the actual conditions met by participants in the inter-laboratory test program;
- the Annex containing details of the major changes (adding the camera and deletion of the humidity correction factor) between the second and third edition of this document has been removed; and
- [Annex A](#) has been populated with updated photographs of typical wear scars.

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Introduction

All diesel fuel injection equipment has some reliance on diesel fuel as a lubricant. Wear due to excessive friction resulting in shortened life of engine components, such as diesel fuel injection pumps and injectors, has sometimes been ascribed to lack of lubricity in the fuel.

The relationship of test results to diesel injection equipment component distress due to wear has been demonstrated for some fuel/hardware combinations where boundary lubrication is a factor in the operation of the component¹⁾.

Test results from fuels tested to this procedure have been found to correlate with many fuel/hardware combinations and provide an adequate prediction of the lubricating quality of the fuel. The correlation of biodiesel blends has been validated through 15 years of field experience and anecdotal data.

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