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Foreword

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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 13792:2005), which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are given in the following table.

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Clause/subclause	Changes
2	Added ISO 9050, ISO 10292, and ISO 15927-2
3.2 and 3.3	Deleted g and m Added subscript sl
4.2.1.2	Added first and second list items, descriptions of the reference
4.2.3	Replaced U^* by U Replaced g by S_f as the solar heat gain factor Deleted Equation (1) and replaced old Equations (2) to (6) by Equations (1) to (5) Amended Equations (2) to (4)
4.2.3.2	Third list item, replaced g by S_{f1}
6.2.5	Added the descriptions of the latitudes in Tables 7, 8 and 9
A.2.1	Amended the descriptions of symbols S_f and n
A.2.2	Amended Equation (A.1)
A.2.3	Added the equation to define A_t Amended Equation (A.24)
A.3.1	Amended Equations (A.28), (A.31), (A.32), (A.33) and (A.34)
A.3.2.1	Amended Equation (A.35) Amended the unit for c
A.3.2.2.1	Amended Equations (A.38), (A.39), (A.40), (A.45) and (A.47) Changed the description of H_T
A.3.2.2.2	Amended Equation (A.49)
A.3.2.3	Amended Equation (A.52)
A.3.3	Amended Equation (A.53)
C.2	Added a title to Table C.1
E.1	Amended the description of S_f in Table E.5
E.3	Replaced U_m^* by U_m

Introduction

Knowledge of the internal temperature of a room in warm periods is needed for several purposes, such as:

- a) defining the characteristics of a room at the design stage, in order to prevent or limit overheating in summer;
- b) assessing the need for a cooling installation.

The internal temperature is influenced by many parameters such as climatic data, envelope characteristics, ventilation and internal gains. The internal temperature of a room in warm periods can be determined using detailed calculation methods. ISO 13791 lays down the assumptions and the criteria to be satisfied for assessment of internal conditions in the summer with no mechanical cooling. However, for a number of applications, the calculation methods based on ISO 13791 are too detailed. Simplified methods are derived from more or less the same description of the heat transfer processes in a building. Each calculation method has its own simplification, assumptions, fixed values, special boundary conditions and validity area. A simplified method can be implemented in many ways. In general, the maximum allowed simplification of the calculation method and the input data is determined by the required amount and accuracy of the output data.

This International Standard defines the level, the amount and the accuracy of the output data and the allowed simplification of the input data.

No particular calculation methods are included in the normative part of this International Standard. As examples, two calculation methods are given in Annex A. They are based on the simplification of the heat transfer processes that guarantees the amount and the accuracy of the output data and the simplification of the input data required by this International Standard.

The use of these simplified calculation methods does not imply that other calculation methods are excluded from standardization, nor does it hamper future developments. Clause 6 gives the criteria to be satisfied in order for a method to comply with this International Standard.