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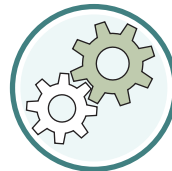
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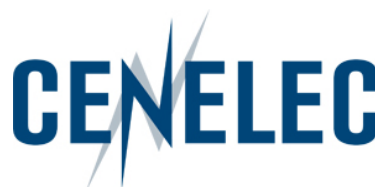
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Foreword

This document (EN 45544-2:2015) has been prepared by CEN/CENELEC Joint Working Group Continuous Measuring Instruments (JWG CMI).

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This document supersedes EN 45544-2:1999.

Introduction

National laws and regulations based on European Directives require the assessment of the potential exposure of a worker to chemical agents in workplace atmospheres.

EN 45544, *Workplace atmospheres – Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours*, consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: General requirements and test methods;*
- *Part 2: Performance requirements for apparatus used for exposure measurement;*
- *Part 3: Performance requirements for apparatus used for general gas detection;*
- *Part 4: Guide for selection, installation, use and maintenance.*

EN 45544 series is based on EN 482 which specifies general performance requirements for procedures for measuring the concentration of chemical agents in workplace atmospheres. These performance requirements are intended to apply under environmental conditions present at the workplace. However, because a wide range of environmental conditions are encountered in practice, this document specifies requirements that have to be fulfilled by measuring procedures when tested under prescribed laboratory conditions.

EN 45544-2 details the performance requirements outlined in EN 482 specifically for electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours intended for exposure measurement.

EN 45544-3 details the performance requirements for general gas detection apparatus, e.g. safety warning, leak detection. The measuring range will be defined by the manufacturer. In general, the requirements for accuracy will be higher for EN 45544-2 apparatus than for EN 45544-3 apparatus.

The same apparatus may be used for applications covered by EN 45544-2 and EN 45544-3.

EN 45544 series will help manufacturers, test laboratories and users of apparatus to adopt a consistent approach to, and provide a framework for, the assessment of performance criteria. It is the manufacturer's primary responsibility to ensure that the apparatus meets the requirements laid down in this European Standard including environmental influences which can be expected to affect performance.

For a given measurement task the range over which the requirements for the relative expanded uncertainty have to be met depends on the limit value. However, for most chemical agents the limit values have not been harmonized at the European level. Therefore, it was decided to use a reference value (standard test gas concentration) instead of the limit value for the performance tests. The list of standard test gas volume fractions is given in Annex A of EN 45544-1:2015. The values chosen are equal to or close to the limit values used in different European countries but are intended to be used only for type testing apparatus without any legal implications.

Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours generate readings in clean air (zero readings) which vary with environmental conditions and time. This standard therefore includes test methods and requirements for acceptable variations in zero readings which are additional to the general requirements of EN 482.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies the performance requirements outlined in EN 482 specifically for electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours in workplace atmospheres.

This European Standard is applicable to apparatus used for exposure measurement.

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.

EN 45544-1:2015, *Workplace atmospheres - Electrical apparatus used for the direct detection and direct concentration measurement of toxic gases and vapours - Part 1: General requirements and test methods*

EN 50270, *Electromagnetic compatibility - Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen*

EN 50271, *Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen - Requirements and tests for apparatus using software and/or digital technologies*