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Part 2-1: Test methods - Methods for determining
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combustibles
Partie 2-1: Méthodes d'essai
Méthodes de détermination de la
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Foreword

This European Standard was prepared by the Technical Committee CENELEC TC 31 Electrical apparatus for explosive atmospheres. The text of the draft was submitted to the Unique Acceptance Procedure and was approved by CENELEC EN 50281-2-1 on 1998-09-01.

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In this standard, annexes A and B are normative.

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Introduction

This European Standard describes methods for determining the minimum ignition temperature of dust for the purpose of selecting electrical apparatus. These are:

- Method A: Dust layer on a heated surface at a constant temperature (clause 4);
- Method B: Dust cloud in a furnace at a constant temperature (clause 5).

Method A determines the minimum ignition temperature of a **dust layer** on a prescribed heated surface.

Method B determines the minimum ignition temperature of a **dust cloud** within a prescribed heated furnace.

The test methods are of a general nature, and may be used for purposes of comparison, but in certain industrial situations further tests may be necessary.

The methods for determining the minimum ignition temperatures are not suitable for use with recognized explosives, for example, gunpowder, dynamite, or mixtures of substances which may, under some circumstances, behave similarly.

Where there is doubt, an indication of the existence of a hazard due to explosive properties may be obtained by testing a very small quantity of the dust on a surface at 400 °C or higher, located remotely from the operator.

1 Scope

This European Standard specifies two test methods for determining the minimum ignition temperatures of dust for the purpose of selecting electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust in accordance with EN 50281-1-2:1998 and constructed in accordance with EN 50281-1-1:1998.

These methods are not suitable for use with substances having explosive properties.

Method A (clause 4) is applicable to the determination of the minimum temperature of a prescribed hot surface which will result in the decomposition and/or ignition of a layer of dust of a specified thickness deposited on it. The method is particularly relevant to industrial equipment with which dusts are present on hot surfaces in thin layers exposed to the atmosphere.

Method B (clause 5) is applicable to the determination of the minimum temperature of a prescribed hot surface which will result in the ignition of a cloud of given sample of dust or other particulate solid. The test is intended to be carried out as a complementary test after determining the minimum ignition temperature of a dust layer by method A of this European Standard.

NOTE 1 concerning method B: Because the method of operation of the furnace gives short residence times for dust particles within it, this method of test is applicable to industrial equipment where dust is present as a cloud for a short time. This method of test is of small scale and the results are not necessarily representative of all industrial conditions.

NOTE 2 concerning method B: The method is not applicable to dusts which may, over a longer period of time than provided for in the test method, produce gasses from deposits generated during pyrolysis or smouldering.

2 Normative references

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| EN 50281-1-1 | Electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust
Part 1-1: Electrical apparatus protected by enclosures - Construction and testing |
| EN 50281-1-2 | Electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust
Part 1-2: Electrical apparatus protected by enclosures - Selection, installation and maintenance |
| ISO 565 | Test sieves - Metal wire cloth, perforated metal plate and electroformed sheet - Nominal sizes of openings |
| ISO 4225 | Air Quality - General aspects - Vocabulary. |

