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

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This publication has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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## INTRODUCTION

The technical content of this part of IEC 60086 provides fundamental requirements and information on primary cells and batteries. In this sense, IEC 60086-1 is the main component of the IEC 60086 series and forms the basis for the subsequent parts. For example, this part includes elementary information on definitions, nomenclature, dimensions and marking. While specific requirements are included, the content of this part tends to explain methodology (how) and justification (why).

Over the years, this part has been changed to improve its content and remains under continual scrutiny to ensure that the publication is kept up to date with the advances in both battery and battery-powered device technologies.

NOTE Safety information is available in IEC 60086-4, IEC 60086-5 and IEC 62281.

# PRIMARY BATTERIES –

## Part 1: General

### 1 Scope

The purpose of this part of IEC 60086 is to standardize primary batteries with respect to their electrochemical system, dimensions, nomenclature, terminal configurations, markings, test methods, typical performance, safety and environmental aspects.

NOTE The requirements justifying the inclusion or the ongoing retention of batteries in the IEC 60086 series are given in Annex A.

The objective of IEC 60086-1 is to benefit primary battery users, device designers and battery manufacturers by ensuring that batteries from different manufacturers are interchangeable according to standard form, fit and function. Furthermore, to ensure compliance with the above, this part specifies standard test methods for testing primary cells and batteries.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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 60086-2, *Primary batteries – Part 2: Physical and electrical specifications*

IEC 60086-3, *Primary batteries – Part 3: Watch batteries*

IEC 60086-4, *Primary batteries – Part 4: Safety of lithium batteries*

IEC 60086-5, *Primary batteries – Part 5: Safety of batteries with aqueous electrolyte*

IEC 60410, *Sampling plans and procedures for inspection by attributes*

IEC 61429, *Marking of secondary cells and batteries with the international recycling symbol*  
ISO 7000-1135

ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1: *Procedures for the technical work*

ISO 3951 (all parts as applicable), *Sampling procedures for inspection by variables*