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The object of this test standard is to determine the electrical, mechanical, and thermal characteristics of the CPV modules and assemblies and to show, as far as possible within reasonable constraints of cost and time, that the CPV modules and assemblies are capable of withstanding prolonged exposure in climates described in the scope. The actual life of CPV modules and assemblies so qualified will depend on their design, production, environment, and the conditions under which they are operated.

This standard shall be used in conjunction with the retest guidelines described in Annex B.

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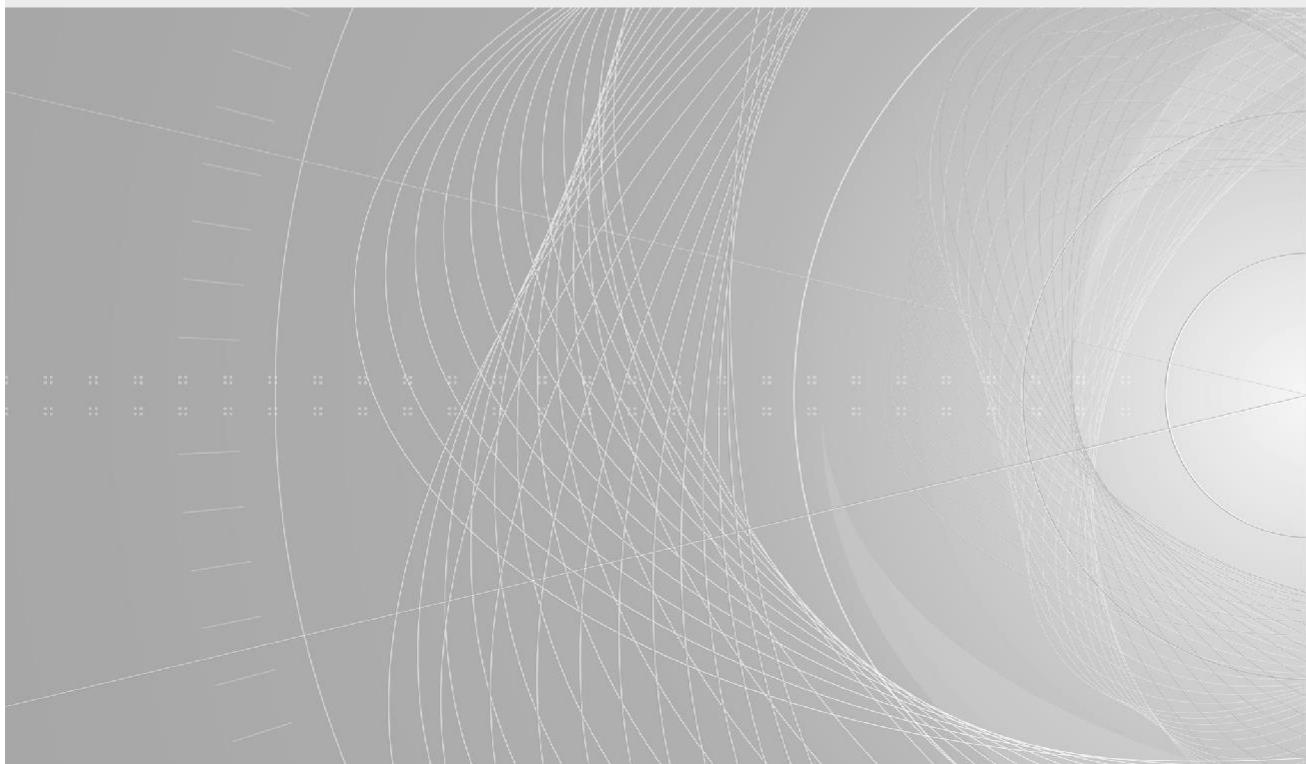
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3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply. See also Table 1.

3.1 **concentrator**

term associated with photovoltaic devices that use concentrated sunlight

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- b) Modifications des cycles de courant pendant l'essai de cyclage thermique.
- c) Ajout de l'essai relatif à la pénétration de poussière.
- d) Suppression du cyclage thermique associé à l'essai de chaleur humide.
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1 Domaine d'application et objet

La présente Norme internationale spécifie les exigences minimales pour la qualification de la conception et l'homologation des modules et ensembles photovoltaïques à concentration (CPV, *Concentrator PhotoVoltaic*) pour une utilisation de longue durée dans les climats généraux d'air libre, comme défini dans l'IEC 60721-2-1. La séquence d'essais est partiellement issue de celle spécifiée dans l'IEC 61215-1 pour la qualification de la conception et l'homologation des modules PV au silicium cristallin pour application terrestre à plaque plane. Certaines modifications ont cependant été effectuées pour tenir compte des particularités des récepteurs et modules CPV, en particulier en ce qui concerne la séparation des essais sur site et en laboratoire, les effets de la répartition, de la densité de courant élevée et des variations rapides de température, qui ont entraîné la formulation de certaines nouvelles procédures d'essai ou exigences.

L'objet de la présente norme d'essai est de déterminer les caractéristiques électriques, mécaniques et thermiques des modules et ensembles CPV et de montrer, autant que possible avec des contraintes de coût et de temps raisonnables, que les modules et ensembles CPV peuvent supporter une exposition prolongée aux climats définis dans le domaine d'application. La durée de vie réelle des modules et ensembles CPV ainsi qualifiés dépendra de leur conception, de leur production ainsi que de l'environnement et des conditions dans lesquelles ils fonctionneront.

La présente norme doit être utilisée conjointement avec les directives de contre-essai décrites à l'Annexe B.

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IEC 60068- 2-21:2006, *Essais d'environnement – Partie 2-21: Essais – Essai U: Robustesse des sorties et des dispositifs de montage incorporés*

IEC 60529, *Degrés de protection procurés par les enveloppes (Code IP)*

IEC 61215-2:2016, *Modules photovoltaïques (PV) pour applications terrestres – Qualification de la conception et homologation – Partie 2: Procédures d'essai*

IEC 62670-1, *Concentrateurs photovoltaïques (CPV) – Essai de performances – Partie 1: Conditions normales*

ANSI/UL 1703:2002, *Standard for Safety: Flat-Plate Photovoltaic Modules and Panels*

3 Termes et définitions

Pour les besoins du présent document, les termes et définitions suivants s'appliquent. Voir également le Tableau 1.