

Environmental testing —

Part 5: Guide to drafting of test methods —

Section 5.1 General principles

This Part should be read in conjunction with Part 1.1 General and guidance

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National foreword

This Section of BS 2011 has been prepared under the direction of the General Electrotechnical Standards Policy Committee. It is identical with IEC Publication 68-5-1:1991 “*Environmental testing — Part 5: Guide to drafting of test methods — General principles*”, published by the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC).

Most Parts of IEC Publication 68 are endorsed by CENELEC Harmonization Document HD 323 as a general rule, although in some cases an enquiry is made before endorsement.

The title of BS 2011 has been changed to “Environmental testing” to correspond with the change of title of IEC Publication 68. This change reflects the fact that IEC Publication 68 and BS 2011 are concerned with the whole subject of testing, and avoids any possible confusion over whether it is the “procedures” or the “testing” that are basic. Amendments are not being issued to the other Parts of BS 2011, but their titles are being changed when these Parts are revised.

Cross-references

International standard ^a	Corresponding British Standard
	BS 2011 <i>Environmental testing</i>
IEC 68-1:1988	Part 1.1:1989 <i>General and guidance</i> (Identical)
IEC 68-2	Part 2.1 <i>Tests</i> (Most tests identical)
IEC 68-3	Part 3 <i>Background information</i> (All tests identical)
IEC 721	BS 7527 <i>Classification of environmental conditions</i> (All Parts identical)
IEC 31	BS 5775 <i>Specifications for quantities, units and symbols</i> (Identical)
ISO 1000:1981	BS 5555:1981 <i>Specification for SI units and recommendations for the use of their multiples and of certain other units</i> (Identical)
ISO 2041:1990	BS 3015:1991 <i>Glossary of terms relating to mechanical vibration and shock</i> (Identical)

^a Undated in the text.

The Technical Committee has reviewed the provisions of IEC 27, IEC 68-4, the International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (published as IEC 50), the IEC/ISO Directives, Part 3:1989, and the ISO/IEC Guide 2:1986, to which reference is made in the text, and has decided that they are acceptable for use in conjunction with this standard.

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