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- Part 11-2: Test flames – 1 kW nominal pre-mixed flame – Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance
- Part 11-3: Test flames – 500 W flames – Apparatus and confirmational test methods
- Part 11-4: Test flames – 50 W flame – Apparatus and confirmational test method
- Part 11-5: Test flames – Needle-flame test method – Apparatus, confirmatory test arrangement and guidance
- Part 11-10: Test flames – 50 W horizontal and vertical flame test methods
- Part 11-11: Test flames – Determination of the characteristic heat flux for ignition from non-contacting flame source
- Part 11-20: Test flames – 500 W flame test methods
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INTRODUCTION

In the design of any electrotechnical product, the risk of fire and the potential hazards associated with fire need to be considered. In this respect the objective of component, circuit and equipment design as well as the choice of materials is to reduce, to acceptable levels, the potential risks of fire even in the event of foreseeable abnormal use, malfunction or failure. IEC 60695-1-10, IEC 60695-1-11 and IEC 60695-1-12 provide guidance on how this is to be accomplished.

Fires involving electrotechnical products can be initiated from external non-electrical sources. Considerations of this nature are dealt with in an overall fire hazard assessment.

The aim of the IEC 60695 series of standards is to save lives and property by reducing the number of fires or reducing the consequences of the fire. This can be accomplished by

- trying to prevent ignition caused by an electrically energised component part and, in the event of ignition, to confine any resulting fire within the bounds of the enclosure of the electrotechnical product.
- trying to minimise flame spread beyond the product's enclosure and to minimise the harmful effects of fire effluents including heat, smoke and toxic or corrosive combustion products.

This international standard is to be used to measure and describe the properties of materials used for electrotechnical products and sub-assemblies in response to heat from a non-contacting flame source or heat source under controlled laboratory conditions which is characterized by quantitative heat input (heat flux) to the materials. Results of this test may be used as elements of a fire risk assessment which takes into account all of the factors which are pertinent to an assessment of the fire hazard of a particular end use. A test specimen cut from an end-product or sub-assembly can be tested by this test method.

This international standard may involve hazardous materials, operations, and equipment. It does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

Test methods to determine flammability by contact of flame have been developed and standardized already, such as IEC 60695-11-5 [1]¹, IEC 60695-11-10 [2], IEC 60695-11-20 [3] and ISO 4589-2 [4].

This is the first test method to determine the characteristic heat flux for ignition (CHF_I) of materials used for electrotechnical products, sub-assemblies or parts from a non-contacting flame source. CHF_I characterizes ignition behaviour in terms of incident heat flux. This test method simulates the fire behaviour of materials used for electrotechnical products where a flame source or heat source exists close to, but does not contact with, these items. An example is a candle flame near an electrotechnical product.

¹ Numbers in square brackets refer to the bibliography.