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- in Clause 6 (Test), test procedure follows IEC 60068-1.

This standard shall be used in conjunction with IEC 60512-1-101 and relevant part(s) of series IEC 60512. Part 60512-1-100 provides the list of the existing test and measuring methods published within series IEC 60512.

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# CONNECTORS FOR ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT – TESTS AND MEASUREMENTS –

## Part 1: **General** Generic specification

### **1** ~~General~~

#### **1** ~~Scope and object~~

~~This part of IEC 60512 is intended to be used as a basic specification. It contains basic test methods and procedures which, when required by the detail specification, are used for testing connectors within the scope of technical committee 48. They may also be used for similar devices when specified in a detail specification.~~

~~The object of this standard is to establish test methods and measurement procedures for use in specifications for connectors.~~

~~This standard is to be used in conjunction with the generic, sectional and detail specification which will select and prescribe the tests to be used, the required degree of severity for each of them and the permissible performance limits. The detail specification will also specify the deviations in procedure, which may be inevitable when applying a test to the type of component under consideration, and it will further specify any special procedures which may be required.~~

~~In the event of conflict between this basic specification and any individual component specification, the requirements of the component specification will apply.~~

~~NOTE 1—RF connectors will not be dealt with by this technical committee as they will be covered by technical committee 46, together with r.f. cables.~~

~~NOTE 2—Sockets for components such as crystals or electronic tubes will be considered in co-operation with the relevant technical committee.~~

~~NOTE 3—Safety requirements for switches will not be developed by this technical committee as they are covered by subcommittee 23J.~~

This part of IEC 60512 is intended to be used as a basis for tests and measurements specifications for electrical connectors. It provides guidance and reference for tests and measurements within the IEC 60512 series.

It includes the description and the practice of the various phases of tests and measurements (preparation, tests and measurements, requirements, documentation), in addition to basic terms and definitions applicable to any part of the IEC 60512 series.

This document is used in conjunction with IEC 60512-1-101 to establish uniform detail tests and measurements specifications.

Detail tests and measurements specifications are applicable to electrical connectors and their components (e.g. connector inserts, connector housings, locking mechanisms, contacts and terminations) within the scope of technical committee 48. They may also be used for similar devices when specified in a detail product specification.

Detail tests and measurements specifications are used in conjunction with detail product specifications which prescribe the tests to be used, the required degree of severity for each of them and the permissible performance limits. The detail product specification also specifies

the deviations in procedures, which may be required when applying a test to the type of connector or its component under consideration, and it further specifies any special procedures which may be required.

NOTE RF and fibre optical connectors are not dealt with by subcommittee 48B, however, hybrid connectors which additionally employ RF and/or fibre optic contacts, are handled by SC 48B in cooperation with TC 46 and/or TC 86.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 60068-1:~~1988~~ 2013, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

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IEC 60512-1-100, *Connectors for electronic equipment – Tests and measurements – Part 1-100: General – Applicable publications*

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IEC 61076-1, *Connectors for electronic equipment – Product requirements – Part 1: Generic specification*

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**Connecteurs pour équipements électriques et électroniques –  
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## Part 1: Generic specification

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#### Partie 1: Spécification générique

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Cette cinquième édition annule et remplace la quatrième édition, parue en 2001. Elle constitue une révision technique.

Cette édition inclut les modifications techniques majeures suivantes par rapport à l'édition précédente:

- dans l'Article 3, définition uniquement des termes relatifs aux essais, et référence à l'IEC 61076-1 pour les termes relatifs aux connecteurs;

- ajout de l'Article 4 (Numérotation des essais et spécification de mesure);
- ajout du paragraphe 5.1.2 (Etalonnage);
- dans l'Article 6 (Essais), mode opératoire calqué sur l'IEC 60068-1.

La présente norme doit être utilisée conjointement avec l'IEC 60512-1-101 et la ou les parties pertinentes de la série IEC 60512. La Partie 60512-1-100 donne la liste des méthodes d'essai et de mesure existantes, publiées dans la série IEC 60512.

Le texte de cette Norme internationale est issu des documents suivants:

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Le rapport de vote indiqué dans le tableau ci-dessus donne toute information sur le vote ayant abouti à l'approbation de cette norme.

Ce document a été rédigé selon les Directives ISO/IEC, Partie 2.

Les futures normes de cette série porteront dorénavant le nouveau titre général cité ci-dessus. Le titre des normes existant déjà dans cette série sera mis à jour lors de la prochaine édition.

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# CONNECTEURS POUR ÉQUIPEMENTS ÉLECTRIQUES ET ÉLECTRONIQUES – ESSAIS ET MESURES –

## Partie 1: Spécification générique

### 1 Domaine d'application

La présente partie de l'IEC 60512 est destinée à être utilisée comme une base pour les spécifications des essais et mesures relatifs aux connecteurs électriques. Elle donne des recommandations et des références pour les essais et mesures au sein de la série IEC 60512.

Elle inclut la description et l'organisation des différentes phases des essais et mesures (préparation, essais et mesures, exigences, documentation), ainsi que les termes et définitions de base applicables à une quelconque partie de la série IEC 60512.

Le présent document est utilisé conjointement avec l'IEC 60512-1-101 pour déterminer des spécifications particulières uniformes des essais et mesures.

Les spécifications particulières des essais et mesures s'appliquent aux connecteurs électriques et à leurs composants, relevant du domaine d'application du comité d'études 48 (par exemple isolants de connecteurs, boîtiers de connecteurs, mécanismes de verrouillage, contacts et sorties). Elles peuvent également être utilisées pour des dispositifs similaires, lorsque cela est spécifié dans la spécification particulière d'un produit.

Les spécifications particulières des essais et mesures sont utilisées conjointement avec les spécifications particulières de produit qui prescrivent les essais à utiliser, le degré de sévérité exigé pour chacun d'eux et les limites de performance admises. La spécification particulière du produit spécifie aussi les écarts dans les modes opératoires, qui peuvent être exigés lors de la réalisation d'un essai sur le type de connecteur à l'étude, ou sur l'un de ses composants. Elle spécifie en outre un quelconque mode opératoire spécifique qui peut être exigé.

NOTE Les connecteurs RF et à fibres optiques ne relèvent pas du domaine d'application du sous-comité 48B. Cependant, les connecteurs hybrides qui comprennent entre autres des contacts RF et/ou à fibres optiques relèvent du domaine d'application du SC 48B, en coopération avec le TC 46 et/ou le TC 86.

### 2 Références normatives

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IEC 60068-1:2013, *Essais d'environnement – Partie 1: Généralités et lignes directrices*

IEC 60352-1:1997, *Connexions sans soudure – Partie 1: Connexions enroulées – Règles générales, méthodes d'essai et guide pratique*

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