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Part 20-1: Visual inspection – Monochrome liquid crystal display cells  
(excluding all active matrix liquid crystal display cells)**

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- b) The document number was changed to align with the new numbering structure of the IEC 61747 series.

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## INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61747 facilitates the visual inspection of image defects of monochrome LCD cells by human eyes subjectively. Visual inspection is performed at specified conditions and criteria. The objective measurement method of visual image defect with an instrument will be studied and standardized.

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61747 gives the details of testing and provides general rules for visual inspection of the non-active and active area of monochrome liquid crystal display cells by the human eye, if necessary, through an optical microscope. Furthermore this standard includes defect definitions and the methods for visual defect inspection.

NOTE Restrictions on defect types, number, and sizes are specified in the quality contract (customer acceptance specification and incoming inspection specification).

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61747-1-2:2014, *Liquid crystal display devices – Part 1-2: Generic – Terminology and letter symbols*

IEC 61747-10-2:2014, *Liquid crystal display devices – Part 10-2: Environmental, endurance and mechanical test methods – Environmental and endurance*