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PREFACE

This standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-002- Safety of Household and Similar Electrical Appliances and Small Power Transformers, to supersede the general glow-wire test methods contained in AS/NZS 4695.2.13, two years from publication.

The objective of this Standard is to provide a small-scale laboratory screening procedure that allows manufacturers and designers to pre-select materials based on the ignition of specimens made from non-metallic materials using a glowing wire ignition source.

This Standard forms the first edition of AS/NZS 60695.2.13, *Fire hazard testing* - Part 2.13: *Glowing/hot wire based test methods - Glow-wire ignitability test method for materials*.

This Standard is identical to and is reproduced from IEC 60695-2-13:2000, *Fire hazard testing* - Part 2-13: *Glowing/hot wire based test methods - Glow-wire ignitability test method for materials*.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60695 specifies the details of the glow-wire test to be applied to test specimens of solid electrical insulating materials or other solid materials for ignitability testing to determine the glow-wire ignition temperature (GWIT).

The test results make it possible to provide a relative comparison of various materials according to the temperature at which the test specimen ignites during the application of the electrically heated glow-wire used as an ignition source.

The test method is not valid for determining the ignition behaviour of complete items of equipment, since the dimensions of the insulating systems or combustible parts, the design and heat transfer to adjacent metallic or non-metallic parts, etc., greatly influence the ignitability of the materials used therein. In addition to this, it is not valid for determining fire behaviour and fire hazard of equipment.

One of the responsibilities of a technical committee is, wherever applicable, to make use of basic safety publications in the preparation of its publications.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of IEC 60695. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of IEC 60695 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC standard	Year	Title	AU/NZ standard	Year
IEC 60695-2-10	2000	*Fire hazard testing – Part 2-10: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods – Glow-wire apparatus and common test procedure*	AS/NZS 606952.10	2001
ISO/IEC 13943	2000	*Fire safety – Vocabulary*		