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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EL-014, Equipment for Explosive Atmospheres, to supersede AS/NZS 60079.1:2007.

The objective of this Standard is to set out the requirements for electrical equipment protection by flameproof enclosures ‘d’ for use in explosive gas atmospheres. It specifies requirements for design, construction and testing of electrical equipment and Ex components.

This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from IEC 60079-1 Ed.7.0 (2014), *Explosive atmospheres,* Part 1*: Equipment protection by flameproof enclosures "d".* Changes to the Standard introduced by this edition are listed in the IEC Foreword.

This Standard is to be read in conjunction with AS/NZS 60079.0, *Explosive atmospheres*, Part 0: *Equipment—General requirements*.

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(a) In the source text ‘this part of IEC 60079’ should read ‘this Australian/New Zealand Standard’.

(b) A full point substitutes for a comma when referring to a decimal marker.

References to International Standards should be replaced by references to Australian or Australian/New Zealand Standards, as follows:

Reference to International Standard		*Australian/New Zealand Standard*	
IEC		AS/NZS	
60079	Explosive atmospheres	60079	Explosive atmospheres
60079-0	Part 0: Equipment—General requirements	60079.0	Part 0: Equipment—General requirements
60079-7	Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety “e”	60079.7	Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety ‘e’
60079-11	Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety “i”	60079.11	Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety ‘i’
60079-15	Part 15: Equipment protection by type of protection “n”	60079.15	Part 15: Equipment protection by type of protection ‘n’

Only normative references that have been adopted as Australian or Australian/New Zealand Standard have been listed.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the annex to which they apply. A ‘normative’ annex is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ annex is only for information and guidance.

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IEC FOREWORD

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		Type		
Explanation of the significance of the changes	**Clause**	**Minor and editorial changes**	**Extension**	**Major technical changes**
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Explanation of the significance of the changes	**Clause**	**Minor and editorial changes**	**Extension**	**Major technical changes**
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Explanation of the significance of the changes	**Clause**	**Minor and editorial changes**	**Extension**	**Major technical changes**
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		Type		
Explanation of the significance of the changes	**Clause**	**Minor and editorial changes**	**Extension**	**Major technical changes**
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NOTE The technical changes referred to include the significance of technical changes in the revised IEC Standard, but they do not form an exhaustive list of all modifications from the previous version. More guidance can be found by referring to the Redline Version of the standard.

Explanations:

A) Definitions

Minor and editorial changes

Clarification
decrease of technical requirements
minor technical change
editorial corrections

These are changes which modify requirements in an editorial or a minor technical way. They include changes of the wording to clarify technical requirements without any technical change, or a reduction in level of existing requirement.

Extension

addition of technical options

These are changes which add new or modify existing technical requirements, in a way that new options are given, but without increasing requirements for equipment that was fully compliant with the previous standard. Therefore, these will not have to be considered for products in conformity with the preceding edition.

Major technical changes

addition of technical requirements
increase of technical requirements

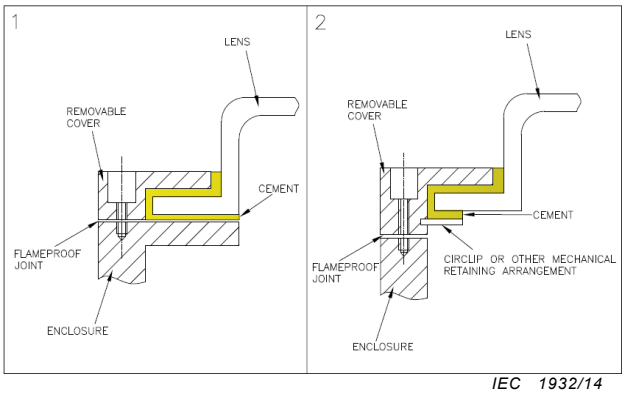
These are changes to technical requirements (addition, increase of the level or removal) made in a way that a product in conformity with the preceding edition will not always be able to fulfil the requirements given in the later edition. These changes have to be considered for products in conformity with the preceding edition. For these changes additional information is provided in clause B) below.

NOTE These changes represent current technological knowledge. However, these changes should not normally have an influence on equipment already placed on the market.

B) Information about the background of 'Major Technical Changes'

C1 – Supplemental mechanical means of securing the cemented joint shall not be defeated by the opening of doors or covers that are intended to be opened during

installation or maintenance. For example, in the images below for a luminaire incorporating a cemented joint between the lens and the enclosure cover, the construction shown in the second image would be in accordance with this requirement, while the construction shown in the first image would not.



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C2 – Addition of material limitations of enclosures of equipment and enclosures of Ex components for external mounting, if constructed of copper or copper alloys, when used in explosive gas atmospheres containing acetylene (12.8).

C3 – Addition of power factor requirement for evaluating the ability of a plug and socket to remain flameproof during the arc-quenching period while opening a test circuit (13.6.4).

C4 – Addition of marking requirements for Ex component enclosures, in addition to the requirements for marking of Ex components given in IEC 60079-0 (D.3.8).

C5 – Removal of Type T cells as acceptable primary cells (Table E.1).

AUSTRALIAN/NEW ZEALAND STANDARD

Explosive atmospheres

Part 1:
Equipment protection by flameproof enclosures ‘d’

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60079 contains specific requirements for the construction and testing of electrical equipment with the type of protection flameproof enclosure “d”, intended for use in explosive gas atmospheres.

This standard supplements and modifies the general requirements of IEC 60079-0. Where a requirement of this standard conflicts with a requirement of IEC 60079-0, the requirement of this standard will take precedence.

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 60061 (all parts), *Lamp caps and holders together with gauges for the control of interchangeability and safety*

IEC 60079-0, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 0: Equipment – General requirements*

IEC 60079-7, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety “e”*

IEC 60079-11, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety “i”*

IEC 60079-15, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 15: Equipment protection by type of protection "n"*

IEC 60127 (all parts), *Miniature fuses*

ISO 965-1, *ISO general-purpose metric screw threads – Tolerances – Part 1: Principles and basic data*

ISO 965-3, *ISO general-purpose metric screw threads – Tolerances – Part 3: Deviations for constructional screw threads*

ISO 2738, *Sintered metal materials, excluding hardmetals – Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of density, oil content and open porosity*

ISO 4003, *Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of bubble test pore size*

ISO 4022, *Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of fluid permeability*

ANSI/ASME B1.20.1, *Pipe threads, general purpose (inch)*