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International Standard IEC 60404-8-7 has been prepared by IEC technical committee 68: Magnetic alloys and steels.

This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition published in 2017. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- insertion of a third class of grain-oriented electrical steels for magnetic domain refined high permeability grades;
- introduction of the single sheet tester (SST) method as reference measurement method for this third class of material together with a conversion factor for transposition of the SST measurement results to equivalent Epstein values;
- update of the electrical steel range to take account of the current offers and demands of grades.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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## INTRODUCTION

This revision of International Standard IEC 60404-8-7 has been prepared by the experts of the Working Group 1 of the IEC technical committee 68: Magnetic alloys and steels.

The insertion of a third class of electrical steels for magnetic domain refined high permeability grades is the main reason of this revision. Most of the technologies of magnetic domain refinement result in material that does not withstand the stress relief annealing after cutting without changing the magnetic properties (i.e. the specific total loss). In the case of this material, the Epstein method according to IEC 60404-2, requiring the annealing of the Epstein test specimens, is not suitable. Therefore, the single sheet tester (SST) method specified in IEC 60404-3 is employed for such non-heatproof magnetic material.

The introduction of the SST as the reference measurement method for these magnetic domain refined high permeability grades was preceded by intense discussions within IEC/TC 68.

The specific total loss measured by use of the SST specified in IEC 60404-3 tends to be larger than the value measured by the use of the Epstein frame in accordance with IEC 60404-2. The magnetic polarization at  $H = 800$  A/m measured by use of the SST tends to be a little lower than the value measured by the use of the Epstein frame.

The significant difference between Epstein and SST loss results made it necessary to introduce a conversion factor,  $F_c$ , applied to the SST results. This conversion factor is to create continuity in the quality characteristics ratio of conventional grain-oriented electrical steel grades and of high permeability grades (Epstein related loss values) to the magnetic domain refined high permeability grades (SST related loss values), particularly over the transition zone between these grades. Otherwise, it could be confusing to the users of this document that the higher quality materials assessed by the SST method would be listed with seemingly higher values of the specific total loss, compared with the lower values obtained by the Epstein method on the lower quality materials.

Considerations of the widely spread grades of domain refined high permeability grain-oriented electrical steel led to the consented value of  $F_c = 0,925$  to be applied to the specific total loss values at 1,7 T measured by the SST method.

The magnetic polarization of magnetic domain refined high permeability grades at  $H = 800$  A/m is the value taken from the SST measurement without conversion to an equivalent Epstein value.

Consequently, the magnetic domain refined high permeability grades will be listed in a new Table 3 as a new class of grain-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet.

## MAGNETIC MATERIALS –

### Part 8-7: Specifications for individual materials – Cold-rolled grain-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet delivered in the fully-processed state

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60404 defines the grades of cold-rolled grain-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet in nominal thicknesses of 0,20 mm, 0,23 mm, 0,27 mm, 0,30 mm and 0,35 mm. In particular, it gives general requirements, magnetic properties, geometric characteristics, tolerances and technological characteristics, as well as inspection procedures.

This document applies to Goss textured grain-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet supplied in the final annealed condition in coils or sheets, and intended for the construction of magnetic circuits.

The grades are grouped into three classes:

- conventional grades;
- high permeability grades;
- magnetic domain refined high permeability grades.

They correspond to Class C22 of IEC 60404-1.

#### 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 60050-121, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Part 121: Electromagnetism*

IEC 60050-221, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 221: Magnetic materials and components*

IEC 60404-1, *Magnetic materials – Part 1: Classification*

IEC 60404-1-1, *Magnetic materials – Part 1-1: Classification – Surface insulations of electrical steel sheet, strip and laminations*

IEC 60404-2, *Magnetic materials – Part 2: Methods of measurement of the magnetic properties of electrical steel strip and sheet by means of an Epstein frame*

IEC 60404-3, *Magnetic materials – Part 3: Methods of measurement of the magnetic properties of electrical steel strip and sheet by means of a single sheet tester*

IEC 60404-9, *Magnetic materials – Part 9: Methods of determination of the geometrical characteristics of electrical steel strip and sheet*

IEC 60404-11, *Magnetic materials – Part 11: Method of test for the determination of surface insulation resistance of magnetic sheet and strip*

IEC 60404-13, *Magnetic materials – Part 13: Methods of measurement of resistivity, density, and stacking factor of electrical steel strip and sheet*

ISO 404, *Steel and steel products – General technical delivery requirements*