
**Corrosion of metals and alloys —
Classification of low corrosivity of
indoor atmospheres —**

**Part 3:
Measurement of environmental
parameters affecting indoor
corrosivity**

*Corrosion des métaux et alliages — Classification de la corrosivité
faible des atmosphères d'intérieur —*

*Partie 3: Mesurage des paramètres environnementaux affectant la
corrosivité des atmosphères d'intérieur*



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Foreword

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- the normative references have been updated;
- a reference to ISO 16000 in [Clause 5](#) has been added;
- the detection limits in [7.3.1](#) and [7.3.2](#) have been updated;
- a new [Clause 9](#) has been added.

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Introduction

This document deals with environmental parameters for the characterization of indoor atmospheres and methods of measurement.

The environmental parameters for the characterization of indoor atmospheres include more airborne contaminants than are normally used for the characterization of the outdoor environment.

Measurement of environmental parameters is a way of characterizing the corrosivity of the indoor atmosphere and will always be required if it is necessary to consider measures for reducing the corrosivity.

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Part 3: Measurement of environmental parameters affecting indoor corrosivity

1 Scope

This document specifies methods for measuring the environmental parameters used to classify the corrosivity of indoor atmospheres on metals and alloys.

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.

ISO 7708, *Air quality — Particle size fraction definitions for health-related sampling*

EN 12341, *Ambient air — Standard gravimetric measurement method for the determination of the PM₁₀ or PM_{2,5} mass concentration of suspended particulate matter*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Principle

Different combinations of parameters affect the corrosivity of indoor atmospheres. Knowledge about possible sources of environmental effects shall be obtained before decisions regarding the type of measurements needed are taken. The characterization of indoor atmospheric corrosivity using environmental parameters is more complicated than measuring the corrosivity with metal specimens. However, in many cases, the measurement of environmental parameters can give a good indication of how to establish the corrosivity of an environment and will, in combination with the information given in ISO 11844-1, give a good indication of the corrosivity categories for the materials in the selected environment.

5 Environmental parameters

In indoor atmospheres, corrosion processes are characterized by a more complex group of parameters than in outdoor atmospheres. In general, three groups of parameters should be measured:

- a) humidity and temperature;