
**Metallic materials — Torque-
controlled fatigue testing**

*Matériaux métalliques — Essais de fatigue par couple de torsion
commandé*



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The main changes are as follows:

- addition of the test apparatus and procedure for the elevated temperature testing;
- addition of measurement uncertainty estimation.

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1 Scope

This document specifies the conditions for performing torsional, constant-amplitude, nominally elastic stress fatigue tests on metallic specimens without deliberately introducing stress concentrations. The tests are typically carried out at ambient temperature or an elevated temperature in air by applying a pure couple to the specimen about its longitudinal axis.

While the form, preparation and testing of specimens of circular cross-section and tubular cross-section are described in this document, component and other specialized types of testing are not included. Similarly, low-cycle torsional fatigue tests carried out under constant-amplitude angular displacement control, which lead to failure in a few thousand cycles, are also excluded.

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 554:1976, *Standard atmospheres for conditioning and/or testing — Specifications*

ISO 23788, *Metallic materials — Verification of the alignment of fatigue testing machines*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

maximum stress

τ_{\max}
highest algebraic value of shear stress at the outer diameter in the stress cycle

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).

3.2

minimum stress

τ_{\min}
lowest algebraic value of shear stress in the stress cycle

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).

3.3

mean stress

τ_m
static component of the shear stress

Note 1 to entry: It is one half of the algebraic sum of the maximum shear stress and the minimum shear stress: