
Thermal insulation — Heat transfer by radiation — Vocabulary

*Isolation thermique — Transfert de chaleur par rayonnement —
Vocabulaire*



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- deleted the unit where two units existed ([4.5](#), [4.6](#), [4.8](#), [4.9](#), [4.10](#), [5.3](#), [5.6](#), [6.2](#), [6.4](#));
- added the mean of d and d_{∞} ([7.15](#));

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Introduction

This document is intended to be used in conjunction with other vocabularies related to thermal insulation. These include:

- ISO 7345
- ISO 9229
- ISO 9251
- ISO 9346

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1 Scope

This document defines physical quantities and other terms in the field of thermal insulation relating to heat transfer by radiation.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions (General terms)

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/>

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thermal radiation

electromagnetic radiation emitted at the surface of an opaque body or inside an element of a semi-transparent volume

Note 1 to entry: The thermal radiation is governed by the temperature of the emitting body and its radiative characteristics. It is interesting from a thermal viewpoint when the wavelength range falls between 0,1 μm and 100 μm (see [Figure 1](#)).