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Foreword

ISO (the International Organization for Standardization) is a worldwide federation of national standards bodies (ISO member bodies). The work of preparing International Standards is normally carried out through ISO technical committees. Each member body interested in a subject for which a technical committee has been established has the right to be represented on that committee. International organizations, governmental and non-governmental, in liaison with ISO, also take part in the work. ISO collaborates closely with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on all matters of electrotechnical standardization.

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 92, *Fire safety*, Subcommittee SC 4, *Fire safety engineering*.

This first edition cancels and replaces ISO 16736:2006, which has been technically revised.

The main changes are as follows:

— the main body has been simplified by making reference to ISO 24678-1;

— a formula for time-mean temperature rise of a ceiling jet in a smoke layer, Formula (A.8), has been added in Annex A;

— comparisons with experimental data have been added in Annex A.

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Introduction

The ISO 24678 series is intended to be used by fire safety practitioners involved with fire safety engineering calculation methods. It is expected that the users of this document are appropriately qualified and competent in the field of fire safety engineering. It is particularly important that users understand the parameters within which particular methodologies may be used.

Algebraic formulae conforming to the requirements of this document are used with other engineering calculation methods during a fire safety design. Such a design is preceded by the establishment of a context, including the fire safety goals and objectives to be met, as well as performance criteria when a trial fire safety design is subject to specified design fire scenarios. Engineering calculation methods are used to determine if these performance criteria are met by a particular design and if not, how the design needs to be modified.

The subjects of engineering calculations include the fire-safe design of entirely new built environments, such as buildings, ships or vehicles, as well as the assessment of the fire safety of existing built environments.

The algebraic formulae discussed in this document can be useful for estimating the consequences of design fire scenarios. Such formulae are valuable for allowing the practitioner to quickly determine how a proposed fire safety design needs to be modified to meet performance criteria and to compare among multiple trial designs. Detailed numerical calculations can be carried out up until the final design documentation. Examples of areas where algebraic formulae have been applicable include determination of convective and radiative heat transfer from fire plumes, prediction of ceiling jet flow properties governing detector response times, calculation of smoke transport through vent openings, and analysis of compartment fire hazards such as smoke filling and flashover. However, the simple models often have stringent limitations and are less likely to include the effects of multiple phenomena occurring in the design scenarios.

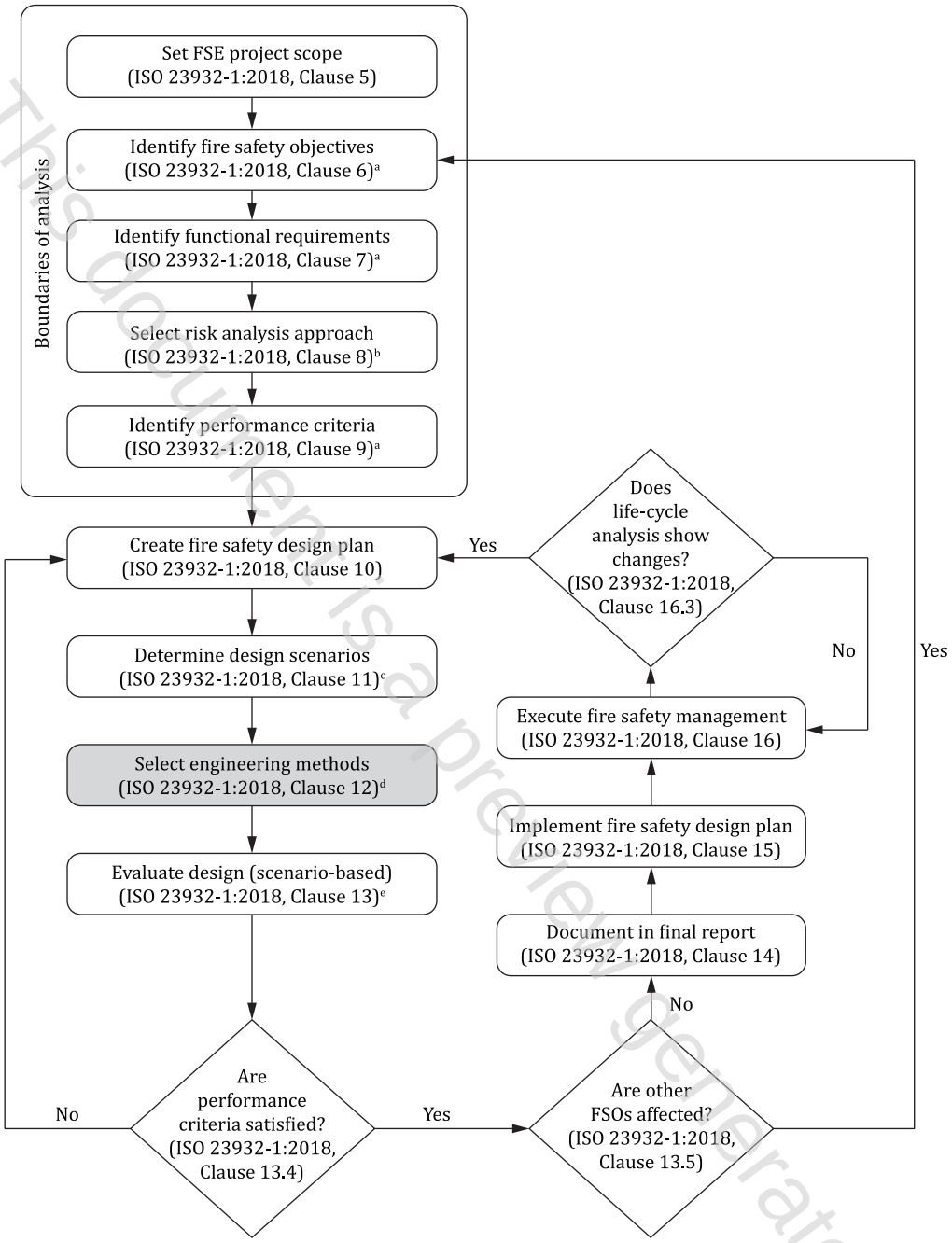
The general principles of fire safety engineering are described in ISO 23932-1, which provides a performance-based methodology for engineers to assess the level of fire safety for new or existing built environments. Fire safety is evaluated through an engineered approach based on the quantification of the behaviour of fire and based on knowledge of the consequences of such behaviour on life safety, property and the environment. ISO 23932-1 provides the process (i.e. necessary steps) and essential elements for conducting a robust performance-based fire safety design.

ISO 23932-1 is supported by a set of fire safety engineering documents on the methods and data needed for all the steps in a fire safety engineering design as summarized in Figure 1 (taken from ISO 23932-1:2018, Clause 4). This set of documents is referred to as the Global fire safety engineering analysis and information system. This global approach and system of standards provides an awareness of the interrelationships between fire evaluations when using the set of fire safety engineering documents. The set of documents includes ISO/TS 13447, ISO 16730-1, ISO 16732-1, ISO 16733-1, ISO/TS 16733-2, ISO 16734, ISO 16735, ISO 16737, ISO/TR 16738, ISO 24678-1, ISO 24679-1, ISO/TS 29761 and other supporting Technical Reports that provide examples of and guidance on the application of these documents.

Each document supporting the global fire safety engineering analysis and information system includes language in the introduction to tie that document to the steps in the fire safety engineering design process outlined in ISO 23932-1. ISO 23932-1 requires that engineering methods be selected properly to predict the fire consequences of specific scenarios and scenario elements (ISO 23932-1:2018, Clause 12). Pursuant to the requirements of ISO 23932-1, this document provides the requirements governing algebraic formulae for fire safety engineering. This step in the fire safety engineering process is shown as a highlighted box in Figure 1 and described in ISO 23932-1.

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a See also ISO/TR 16576 (Examples).

b See also ISO 16732-1, ISO 16733-1, ISO/TS 16733-2, ISO/TS 29761.

c See also ISO 16732-1, ISO 16733-1, ISO/TS 16733-2, ISO/TS 29761.

d See also ISO/TS 13447, ISO 16730-1, ISO/TR 16730-2 to ISO/TR 16730-5 (Examples), ISO 16735, ISO 16736, ISO 16737, ISO/TR 16738, ISO 24678-1, ISO 24678-2, ISO 24678-6 and ISO 24678-7.

e See also ISO/TR 16738, ISO 16733-1, ISO/TS 16733-2.

NOTE Documents linked to large parts of the fire safety engineering process: ISO 16732-1, ISO 16733-1, ISO 24679-1, ISO/TS 29761, ISO/TR 16732-2 to ISO/TR 16732-3 (Examples), ISO/TR 24679-2 to ISO/TR 24679-4 and ISO/TR 24679-6 (Examples).

Figure 1 — Flow chart illustrating the fire safety engineering design process (from ISO 23932-1:2018)

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1 Scope

This document specifies the requirements governing the application of a set of explicit algebraic formulae for the calculation of specific characteristics of ceiling jet flows.

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 13943, *Fire safety — Vocabulary*

ISO 24678-1, *Fire safety engineering — Requirements governing algebraic formulae — Part 1: General requirements*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 13943 and the following 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
axisymmetric
in a state in which mean motion and properties, such as mean temperature rise, are symmetric with respect to a vertical centreline

3.2
ceiling
highest elevation boundary of the enclosed space in any built environment, such as a room in a building or a cabin in a vehicle

3.3
characteristic depth of ceiling jet temperature profile
depth below the ceiling surface, at a given radius, at which the time-mean temperature rise above ambient in the ceiling jet flow becomes a factor of e^{-1} times the time-mean maximum temperature rise at that radius

3.4
characteristic depth of ceiling jet velocity profile
depth below the ceiling surface, at a given radius, at which the time-mean gas velocity in the ceiling jet flow becomes a factor of e^{-1} times the time-mean maximum gas velocity at that radius

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