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- a) sustainable development aspects of EU legislation are taken into account, including features such as smart control,  $V_{40}$  modification and measuring procedures for multi-tank appliances.

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# METHODS FOR MEASURING THE PERFORMANCE OF ELECTRIC STORAGE WATER HEATERS FOR HOUSEHOLD PURPOSES

## 1 Scope

This document specifies methods for measuring the performance of electric storage water heaters to produce domestic potable or non-potable hot water for household and similar use.

The object is to state and define the principal performance characteristics of electric storage water heaters and to describe the test methods for measuring these characteristics.

NOTE 1 This document does not apply to:

- storage water heaters that use electricity as a secondary source of heating the water;
- storage water heaters that do not use a tank to store hot water;
- electric storage water heaters that do not meet the minimum (or maximum) output performance of the smallest (or biggest) load profile, as defined in Table 3;
- water-heaters without thermal insulation.

NOTE 2 This document does not specify safety requirements. For safety requirements, see IEC 60335-1 in conjunction with IEC 60335-2-21.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

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### 3.1

#### **storage water heater**

water heater that uses electric heating elements as the means of heating water for long-term storage in a thermally insulated container and provided with a device to control the water temperature

### 3.2

#### **primary function**

production of hot water for household and similar needs

### 3.3

#### **energized storage water heater**

storage water heater that is designed to supply hot water and be energized for 24 h per day