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Foreword

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International Standard ISO 14644-4 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 209, *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments*.

ISO 14644 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments*:

— *Part 1: Classification of air cleanliness*

— *Part 2: Specifications for testing and monitoring to prove continued compliance with ISO 14644-1*

— *Part 3: Metrology and test methods*

— *Part 4: Design, construction and start-up*

— *Part 5: Operations*

— *Part 6: Vocabulary*

— *Part 7: Separative enclosures (clean air hoods, glove boxes, isolators, mini-environments)*

Users should note that the titles listed for parts 3 and 5 to 7 are working titles at the time of the release of part 4. In the event that one or more of these parts are deleted from the work programme, the remaining parts may be renumbered.

Annexes A to H of this part of ISO 14644 are for information only.

Introduction

Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments provide for the control of airborne particulate contamination to levels appropriate for accomplishing contamination-sensitive activities. Products and processes that benefit from the control of airborne contamination include those in such industries as aerospace, microelectronics, pharmaceuticals, medical devices and healthcare.

This part of ISO 14644 specifies the requirements for the design and construction of cleanroom facilities. It is intended for use by purchasers, suppliers and designers of cleanroom installations and provides a check list of important parameters of performance. Construction guidance is provided, including requirements for start-up and qualification. Basic elements of design and construction needed to ensure continued satisfactory operation are identified through the consideration of relevant aspects of operation and maintenance.

This part of ISO 14644 is one of a series of standards concerned with cleanrooms and associated subjects. Many factors besides design, construction and start-up should be considered in the operation and control of cleanrooms and other controlled environments. These are covered in some detail in other International Standards prepared by ISO/TC 209.

Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments

Part 4:
Design, construction and start-up

1 Scope

This part of ISO 14644 specifies requirements for the design and construction of cleanroom installations but does not prescribe specific technological or contractual means to meet these requirements. It is intended for use by purchasers, suppliers and designers of cleanroom installations and provides a checklist of important parameters of performance. Construction guidance is provided, including requirements for start-up and qualification. Basic elements of design and construction needed to ensure continued satisfactory operation are identified through the consideration of relevant aspects of operation and maintenance.

NOTE Further guidance in respect of the above requirements is given in annexes A to H. Other parts of ISO 14644 may provide complementary information.

Application of this part of ISO 14644 is restricted in the following:

— user requirements are represented by purchaser or specifier;

— specific processes to be accommodated in the cleanroom installation are not specified;

— fire and safety regulations are not considered specifically; the appropriate national and local requirements should be respected;

— process media and utility services are only considered with respect to their routing between and in the different zones of cleanliness;

— regarding initial operation and maintenance, only cleanroom construction-specific requirements are considered.

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 14644. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of ISO 14644 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 14644-1:1999, *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Part 1: Classification of air cleanliness.*

ISO 14644-2:2000, *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Part 2: Specifications for testing and monitoring to prove continued compliance with ISO 14644-1.*

ISO 14644-3:— [1], *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Part 3: Metrology and test methods.*

ISO 14698-1:— [1], *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Biocontamination control — Part 1: General principles*

ISO 14698-2:— [1], *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Biocontamination control — Part 2: Evaluation and interpretation of biocontamination data.*

ISO 14698-3:— [1], *Cleanrooms and associated controlled environements — Biocontamination control — Part 3: Measurement of the efficiency of processes of cleaning and/or disinfection of inert surfaces bearing biocontaminated wet soiling or biofilms.*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 14644, the terms and definitions given in ISO 14644-1 and the following apply.

3.1
changing room
room where people using a cleanroom may change into, or out of, cleanroom apparel

3.2
clean air device
stand-alone equipment for treating and distributing clean air to achieve defined environmental conditions

3.3
cleanliness
condition of a product, surface, device, gas, fluid, etc. with a defined level of contamination

NOTE Contamination can be particulate, non-particulate, biological, molecular or of other consistency.

3.4
commissioning
planned and documented series of inspections, adjustments and tests carried out systematically to set the installation into correct technical operation as specified

3.5
contaminant
any particulate, molecular, non-particulate and biological entity that can adversely affect the product or process

3.6
non-unidirectional airflow
air distribution where the supply air entering the clean zone mixes with the internal air by means of induction

3.7
particle
minute piece of matter with defined physical boundaries

NOTE For classification purposes refer to ISO 14644-1.

3.8
pre-filter
air filter fitted upstream of another filter to reduce the challenge on that filter

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[1] To be published.