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# Foreword

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ISO 834 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Fire-resistance tests* — *Elements of building construction*:

- Part 1: General requirements
- Part 3: Commentary on test method and test data application
- Part 4: Specific requirements for loadbearing vertical servariating elements
- Part 5: Specific requirements for loadbearing horizontal separating elements
- Part 6: Specific requirements for beams
- Part 7: Specific requirements for columns
- Part 8: Specific requirements for non-loadbearing vertical separatin
- Part 9: Specific requirements for non-loadbearing ceiling elements

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### Introduction

This part of ISO 834 contains specific requirements for fire resistance testing which are unique to the elements of building construction described as non-loadbearing elements. The requirements for these non-loadbearing elements are intended to be applied in appropriate conjunction with the detailed and general requirements contained in ISO 834-1.



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# Fire-resistance tests — Elements of building construction —

# Part 9: Specific requirements for non-loadbearing ceiling elements

CAUTION — The attention of all persons concerned with managing and carrying out this fire resistance test is drawn to the fact that fire testing may be hazardous and that there is a possibility that toxic and/or harmful smoke and gases may be evolved during the test. Mechanical and operational hazards may also arise during the construction of the test elements or structures, their testing and disposal of test residues.

An assessment of all potential hazards and risks to health shall be made and safety precautions shall be identified and provided. Written safety instructions shall be issued. Appropriate training shall be given to relevant personnel. Laboratory personnel shall ensure that they follow written safety instructions at all times.

#### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 834 specifies test procedures for determining the fire resistance of non-loadbearing ceiling elements which possess fire resistance independent of any building element above them, when exposed to heating from below the ceiling. It is applicable to self-supporting ceilings approximate to ceilings suspended from, or fixed directly to, a supporting construction.

The application of this test to other untested forms of construction is acceptable when the construction complies with the direct field of application as given in this part of ISO 834 or when subjected to an extended application analysis in accordance with ISO/TR 12470<sup>[1]</sup>. Since ISO/TR 12470 gives only general guidelines, specific extended application analyses are to be performed only by persons expert Gire-resistant constructions.

This part of ISO 834 is not applicable to ceilings used as a horizontative barrier for the protection of a loadbearing element above, in which case performance is assessed as an integral part of the complete assembly using ISO 834-5.

#### 2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 834. 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 834 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 834-1, Fire-resistance tests — Elements of building construction — Part 1: General requirements

ISO 13943, Fire safety — Vocabulary

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this part of ISO 834, the terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviations given in ISO 834-1, the terms and definitions given in ISO 13943 and the following apply.