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Flameproof joints, General requirements (Documentation clarification and examples of corrosion inhibiting grease)	5.1	X		
Flameproof joints, General requirements (Specific Conditions of Use that joints are not intended to be repaired)	5.1		X	
Flameproof joints, General requirements (Electroplating more than 0,008 mm thick)	5.1		X	
Non-threaded joints, Gap (<i>i</i>) (Intentional gaps between surface for flanged joints)	5.2.2	X		
Serrated joints (Use and test requirements)	5.2.8	X		
Multi-step joints (Not less than 3 adjacent segments and two path changes)	5.2.9		X	
Minimum width of joint and maximum gap for enclosures of groups IIA and IIB (Maximum gaps for flanged, cylindrical or spigot joints of 9,5 mm minimum width and volume greater than 2 000 cm ³)	Table 2		X	
Minimum width of joint and maximum gap for enclosures of groups I, IIA, IIB and IIC (ISO 80000-1 for constructional value rounding)	Table 2, Table 3	X		
Cylindrical threaded joints (ISO 965-1 standard in respect of thread form or quality of fit)	Table 4	X		
Taper threaded joints (External and internal thread construction)	Table 5	X		
Cemented joints (Supplemental mechanical means of securement)	6.1.2			C1
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Thermal tests of breathing and draining devices (Temperature class based on external surface temperature after the 10 min test period)	10.9.3.2	X		
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Fasteners and openings, Property class or yield stress (Certificate specific condition of use)	11.3	X		
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Entries for flameproof enclosures, General (Group I non-threaded joints)	13.1		X	
Entries for flameproof enclosures, Non-threaded holes (Group I application)	13.3		X	
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Cable glands, Conduit sealing devices (Documentation to facilitate mounting)	13.4,13.5	X		
Plugs and sockets and cable couplers (Load requirement for arc-quenching test)	13.6.4			C3
Bushings (Documentation to facilitate mounting)	13.7	X		
Blanking elements (Relocated from Clause 11)	13.8	X		
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Test for non-transmission of an internal ignition <i>(Clarification regarding grease)</i>	15.3	X		
Reduction in length of a threaded joint for non-transmission test <i>(ISO 965-1 and 965-3 standards in respect of thread form and quality of fit)</i>	Table 9	X		
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Test for non-transmission of an internal ignition, Group IIC <i>(Oxygen enrichment of test gases)</i>	15.3.3.4		X	
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Non-metallic enclosures and non-metallic parts of enclosures, Resistance to tracking and creepage distances <i>(Reference to both IEC 60079-7 and or IEC 60079-15)</i>	19.2		X	
Non-metallic enclosures and non-metallic parts of enclosures, Requirements for type tests <i>(Clarification of test sequence)</i>	19.3	X		

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Bushings (Criteria for non-transmission test)	C.2.1.4	X		
Bushings (Evaluation criteria if there is leakage)	C.2.1.4		X	
Flameproof joints, Threaded joints (Requirement options)	C.2.2.1	X		
Flameproof joints, Non-threaded joints (Group I application)	C.2.2.2		X	
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Ex component enclosure requirements (Certificate content)	D.3.10		X	
Utilization of an Ex component enclosure certificate to prepare an equipment certificate, Procedure (Devices that can create significant turbulence)	D.4.1		X	
Acceptable primary cells (Addition of Type B cells)	Table E.1		X	
Acceptable primary cells (Removal of Type T cells)	Table E.1			C5
Acceptable secondary cells (Addition of Lithium type cells)	Table E.2		X	
Prevention of excessive temperature and cell damage (Application of IEC 60079-11 requirement)	E.4.1.2	X		

Explanation of the significance of the changes	Clause	Type		
		Minor and editorial changes	Extension	Major technical changes
Prevention of inadvertent charging of a battery by other voltage sources in the enclosure (Construction not requiring additional protection)	E.4.3		X	
Recharging of secondary cells inside flameproof enclosures (Additional battery options)	E.5.1		X	
Introduction of an alternative risk assessment method encompassing equipment protection levels' for Ex equipment (Removal of previous Informative Annex)	Annex G	X		
Additional requirements for Flameproof enclosures with an internal source of release (containment system) (Addition of new Normative Annex)	Annex G		X	
Requirements for machines with flameproof "d" enclosures fed from converters (Addition of new Normative Annex)	Annex H		X	

NOTE The technical changes referred to include the significance of technical changes in the revised IEC Standard, but they do not form an exhaustive list of all modifications from the previous version. More guidance can be found by referring to the Redline Version of the standard.

Explanations:

A) Definitions

Minor and editorial changes

Clarification
decrease of technical requirements
minor technical change
editorial corrections

These are changes which modify requirements in an editorial or a minor technical way. They include changes of the wording to clarify technical requirements without any technical change, or a reduction in level of existing requirement.

Extension

addition of technical options

These are changes which add new or modify existing technical requirements, in a way that new options are given, but without increasing requirements for equipment that was fully compliant with the previous standard. Therefore, these will not have to be considered for products in conformity with the preceding edition.

Major technical changes

addition of technical requirements
increase of technical requirements

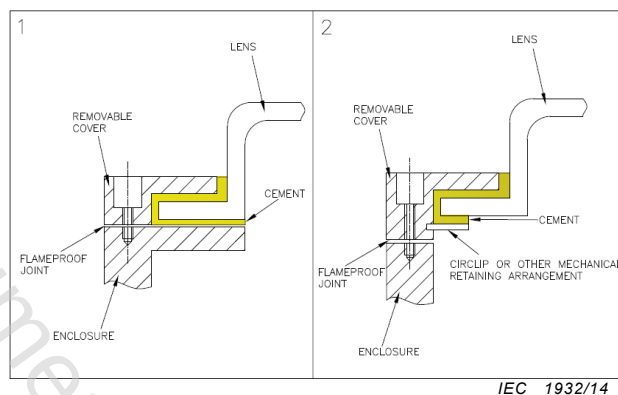
These are changes to technical requirements (addition, increase of the level or removal) made in a way that a product in conformity with the preceding edition will not always be able to fulfil the requirements given in the later edition. These changes have to be considered for products in conformity with the preceding edition. For these changes additional information is provided in clause B) below.

NOTE These changes represent current technological knowledge. However, these changes should not normally have an influence on equipment already placed on the market.

B) Information about the background of 'Major Technical Changes'

C1 – Supplemental mechanical means of securing the cemented joint shall not be defeated by the opening of doors or covers that are intended to be opened during

installation or maintenance. For example, in the images below for a luminaire incorporating a cemented joint between the lens and the enclosure cover, the construction shown in the second image would be in accordance with this requirement, while the construction shown in the first image would not.



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- C2 – Addition of material limitations of enclosures of equipment and enclosures of Ex components for external mounting, if constructed of copper or copper alloys, when used in explosive gas atmospheres containing acetylene (12.8).
- C3 – Addition of power factor requirement for evaluating the ability of a plug and socket to remain flameproof during the arc-quenching period while opening a test circuit (13.6.4).
- C4 – Addition of marking requirements for Ex component enclosures, in addition to the requirements for marking of Ex components given in IEC 60079-0 (D.3.8).
- C5 – Removal of Type T cells as acceptable primary cells (Table E.1).

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EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES –

Part 1: Equipment protection by flameproof enclosures “d”

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60079 contains specific requirements for the construction and testing of electrical equipment with the type of protection flameproof enclosure “d”, intended for use in explosive gas atmospheres.

This standard supplements and modifies the general requirements of IEC 60079-0. Where a requirement of this standard conflicts with a requirement of IEC 60079-0, the requirement of this standard will take precedence.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60061 (all parts), *Lamp caps and holders together with gauges for the control of interchangeability and safety*

IEC 60079-0, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 0: Equipment – General requirements*

IEC 60079-7, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety “e”*

IEC 60079-11, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety “i”*

IEC 60079-15, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 15: Equipment protection by type of protection “n”*

IEC 60127 (all parts), *Miniature fuses*

ISO 965-1, *ISO general-purpose metric screw threads – Tolerances – Part 1: Principles and basic data*

ISO 965-3, *ISO general-purpose metric screw threads – Tolerances – Part 3: Deviations for constructional screw threads*

ISO 2738, *Sintered metal materials, excluding hardmetals – Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of density, oil content and open porosity*

ISO 4003, *Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of bubble test pore size*

ISO 4022, *Permeable sintered metal materials – Determination of fluid permeability*

ANSI/ASME B1.20.1, *Pipe threads, general purpose (inch)*