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Photovoltaische Einrichtungen - Teil 3: Messgrundsätze für terrestrische photovoltaische (PV) Einrichtungen mit Angaben über die spektrale Strahlungsverteilung (IEC 60904-3:2016)

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IEC 60904-9	NOTE	Harmonized as EN 60904-9.

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Normative references to international publications with their corresponding European publications

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NOTE 1 When an International Publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

NOTE 2 Up-to-date information on the latest versions of the European Standards listed in this annex is available here: www.cenelec.eu

Publication	Year	Title	EN/HD	Year
IEC 60891	-	Photovoltaic devices - Procedures for temperature and irradiance corrections to measured I-V characteristics	EN 60891	-
IEC 60904-1	-	Photovoltaic devices - Part 1: Measurement of photovoltaic current-voltage characteristics	EN 60904-1	-
IEC 60904-2	-	Photovoltaic devices - Part 2: Requirements for photovoltaic reference devices	EN 60904-2	-
IEC 60904-5	-	Photovoltaic devices - Part 5: Determination of the equivalent cell temperature (ECT) of photovoltaic (PV) devices by the open-circuit voltage method	EN 60904-5	-
IEC 60904-7	-	Photovoltaic devices - Part 7: Computation of the spectral mismatch correction for measurements of photovoltaic devices	EN 60904-7	-
IEC 60904-8	-	Photovoltaic devices - Part 8: Measurement of spectral responsivity of a photovoltaic (PV) device	EN 60904-8	-

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1 Scope and object

This part of IEC 60904 applies to the following photovoltaic devices for terrestrial applications:

– solar cells with or without a protective cover;
– sub-assemblies of solar cells;
– modules; and
– systems.

NOTE The term “test specimen” is used to denote any of these devices.

The principles contained in this standard cover testing in both natural and simulated sunlight.

Photovoltaic conversion is spectrally selective due to the nature of the semiconductor materials used in PV solar cells and modules. To compare the relative performance of different PV devices and materials a reference standard solar spectral distribution is necessary. This standard includes such a reference solar spectral irradiance distribution.

This standard also describes basic measurement principles for determining the electrical output of PV devices. The principles given in this standard are designed to relate the performance rating of PV devices to a common reference terrestrial solar spectral irradiance distribution.

The reference terrestrial solar spectral irradiance distribution is given in this standard in order to classify solar simulators according to the spectral performance requirements contained in IEC 60904-9.

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IEC 60904-7, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 7: Computation of the spectral mismatch correction for measurements of photovoltaic* devices