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#### **Foreword**

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EN 14255 Measurement and assessment of personal exposures to incoherent optical radiation is published in four parts:

- Part 1: Ultraviolet radiation emitted by artificial sources in the workplace
- Part 2: Visible and infrared radiation emitted by artificial sources in the workplace
- Part 3: UV-Radiation emitted by the sun (in preparation)

Part 4 (this part): Terminology and quantities used in UV-, visible and IR-exposure measurements

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#### Introduction

People may be exposed to adversely high levels of optical radiation (ultraviolet, visible and infrared radiation) from strong optical radiation sources in the workplace and elsewhere. In order to protect people from harm their optical radiation exposures should be determined in these cases and compared with limit values which are set by national authorities or recommended by international organisations (e.g. ICNIRP<sup>1)</sup>, see [5], [6], [7], [8], [11]). Part 1 of this standard describes methods to determine ultraviolet (UV) radiation exposures in the workplace, part 2 of this standard describes methods to determine visible (VIS) and infrared (IR) radiation exposures in the workplace and part 3 of this standard describes methods to determine ultraviolet radiation exposures by the sun.

There are several quantities in which optical radiation exposures are expressed. Unfortunately some of these quantities are defined and named in different ways by different reference sources, such as standards and limit value recommendations. Additionally, some of the quantities are not always very well defined in a strong physical and mathematical sense. Hence there is a need for clarification and uniform definition of these quantities.

In this part 4 of the standard a uniform terminology for quantities is specified and the quantities are defined in a way which makes them reasonably applicable in practical use. The terminology and quantities defined may be used when parts 1, 2 and 3 of this standard are applied or when relevant standards or limit value recommendations are to be revised.

In this standard, terms which are often expressed elsewhere as summations have been reformulated and expressed mathematically as integrals. Cumbersome terms in current use, such as time integrated radiance, have been replaced by newly defined terms which clarify the relationship between, for example, radiance and radiance dose.

In order to specify and define quantities more clearly, some of the quantities have been renamed. In this standard the names of these quantities differ from the names used in other reference sources. The reason is that within the referred sources the names of these quantities are not sufficiently descriptive, e.g. "effective irradiance  $E_{\rm eff}$ " and "effective radiant exposure  $H_{\rm eff}$ " are very general expressions (see CIE<sup>2)</sup> 17.4) but are used in some references in very specific meanings. In the definition of ICNIRP [5] "effective irradiance" is a quantity which describes the effect of UV radiation as well on the skin as on the eyes. So the quantity is mainly used for prevention purposes when it is often not known which part of the body will be exposed. So this useful quantity has a very specific meaning and it is named in this standard with the specific name "ultraviolet hazard irradiance E<sub>s</sub>".

Another reason for renaming the quantity "effective irradiance" is that it is used in some applications to indicate a net effect such as the difference between incident and emitted heat radiation. In order to avoid misunderstandings the term "effective irradiance" is not used in this standard. The more specific term "ultraviolet hazard irradiance" is used instead.

Terms and quantities which are not covered by this part of the standard can be found in other reference NOTE sources like CIE 17.4, CIE S 007 or CIE S 009.

<sup>1)</sup> ICNIRP International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection.

<sup>2)</sup> CIE Commission Internationale de l'Éclairage.

#### 1 Scope

This standard specifies the terminology and the quantities that are used in UV-, VIS- and IR-exposure measurements according to parts 1, 2 and 3 of EN 14255.

NOTE Parts 1 and 2 were published in 2005, while part 3 is under preparation.

This standard can also be applied to the terminology and quantities used in international recommendations from, e.g. ICNIRP, CIE, etc. The purpose of this standard is to unify the definitions of quantities for optical radiation measurements since inconsistencies occur between existing publications from different origins.

#### 2 Normative references

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

Not applicable.

#### 3 Terms and definitions

#### 3.1 Symbols, terms and units

Within the field of applications of parts 1, 2 and 3 of EN 14255 the symbols, terms and units listed in Table 1 are used.