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Foreword

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ISO 12749 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Nuclear energy, nuclear technologies, and radiological protection — Vocabulary*:

— *Part 2: Radiological protection*

— *Part 3: Nuclear fuel cycle*

— *Part 4: Dosimetry for radiation processing*

The following part is under preparation:

— *Part 5: Nuclear reactors*

The following part is planned:

— *Part 1: General terminology*

Introduction

This part of ISO 12749 provides terms and definitions for concepts for dosimetry related to radiation processing using gamma radiation, X-radiation, or accelerated electrons. Concepts related to the calibration and use of dosimetry systems for operational qualification and performance qualification of commercial radiation processing facilities and for dose monitoring for quality assurance during the routine processing of products are defined. Terminological data are taken from the ISO/ASTM standards developed by ISO TC 85 and ASTM International Committee E61. Care is taken to ensure definitions are consistent with other technically validated documents such as VIM, ICRU and GUM.

Unambiguous communication of nuclear energy concepts is crucial since serious consequences can arise from misunderstandings with regard to standards related to equipment and materials used in nuclear energy activities. Concepts dealing with dosimetry related to radiation processing and procedures for preparation, testing, and using dosimetry systems to determine the absorbed dose are present in all of the ISO/ASTM standards developed by WG3. To avoid misunderstandings, these concepts need to be designated by common terms and described by harmonized definitions.

Conceptual arrangement of terms and definitions is based on concepts systems that show corresponding relationships among nuclear energy concepts. Such arrangement provides users with a structured view of the nuclear energy sector and will facilitate common understanding of all related concepts. Besides, concepts systems and conceptual arrangement of terminological data will be helpful to any kind of user because it will promote clear, accurate and useful communication.

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Part 4: Dosimetry for radiation processing

1 Scope

This part of ISO 12749 lists unambiguous terms and definitions for concepts for dosimetry related to radiation processing using gamma radiation, X-radiation, or accelerated electrons. It is intended to facilitate communication and promote common understanding.

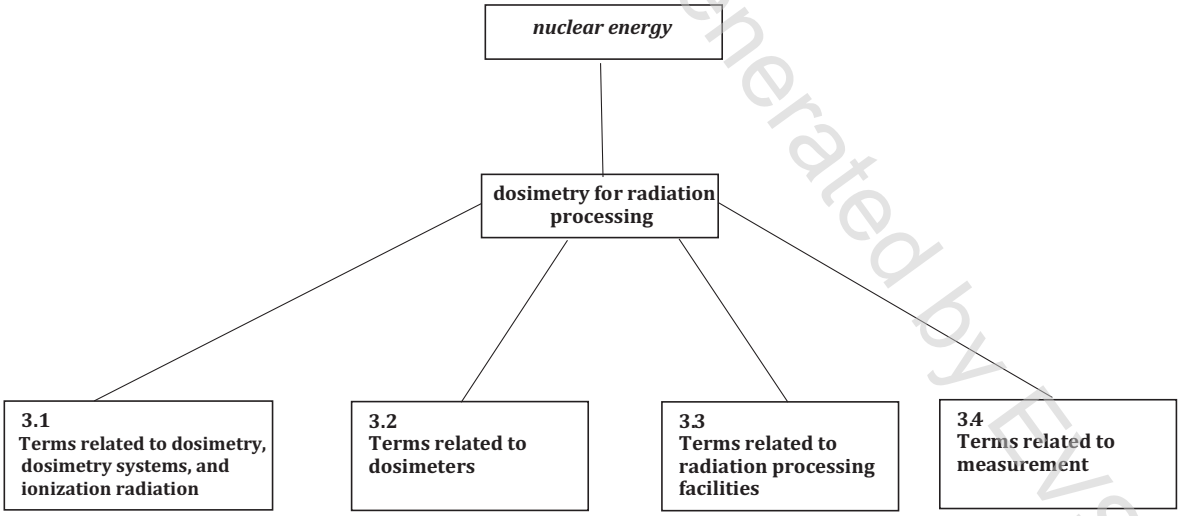
2 Structure of the vocabulary

The terminology entries are presented in the conceptual order of the English preferred terms. Both a systematic index and an alphabetical index are included at the end of the standard. The structure of each entry is in accordance with ISO 10241-1.

All the terms included in this part of ISO 12749 deal exclusively with dosimetry for radiation processing. When selecting terms and definitions, special care has been taken to include the terms that need to be defined, it means, either because the definitions are essential to the correct understanding of the corresponding concepts or because some specific ambiguities need to be addressed.

The notes appended to certain definitions offer clarification or examples to facilitate understanding of the concepts described. In certain cases, miscellaneous information is also included, for example, the units in which a quantity is normally measured, recommended parameter values, references, etc.

According to the title, the vocabulary deals with concepts belonging to the general ***nuclear energy*** field within which concepts in the **dosimetry for radiation processing** subfield are taking into account.



3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.