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**Freight containers — Electronic  
seals —**

**Part 3:  
Environmental characteristics**

*Réipients de fret — Joints électroniques —*

*Partie 3: Caractéristiques environnementales*



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## Foreword

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- *Part 1: Communication protocol*
- *Part 2: Application requirements*
- *Part 3: Environmental characteristics*
- *Part 4: Data protection*
- *Part 5: Physical layer*

## Introduction

This part of ISO 18185 defines the environmental characteristics for compliant electronic seals.

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# Freight containers — Electronic seals —

## Part 3: Environmental characteristics

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 18185 specifies test methods and conditions for environmental characteristics of electronic seals.

This part of ISO 18185 describes the environmental requirements for the ISO 18185 series, for ISO 10374 and for ISO 17363 and for ISO 10891 since it is expected that the implementation of these International Standards will face the same international conditions. However, each of these International Standards has its own unique requirements other than environmental conditions.

### 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.

ISO 17712, *Freight containers — Mechanical seals*

IEC 61000-4-2, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques — Electrostatic discharge immunity test*

IEC 61000-4-3, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-3: Testing and measurement techniques — Radiated, radio-frequency, electromagnetic field immunity test*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

#### 3.1

##### **electronic seal** **e-seal**

read-only, non-reusable freight container seal conforming to the high-security seal defined in ISO 17712 and to this International Standard that electronically provides evidence of tampering or intrusion through the container doors

#### 3.2

##### **equipment under testing** **EUT**

any type of device that will undergo the tests described in this part of ISO 18185

#### 3.3

##### **interrogator identification** **interrogator ID**

code used to identify the source address during every communication session originated by the interrogator