
**Road vehicles — Test methods for
electrical disturbances from electrostatic
discharge**

*Véhicules routiers — Méthodes d'essai des perturbations électriques
provenant de décharges électrostatiques*



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Foreword

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Introduction

The familiar electrostatic discharge, due to former charge build-ups generated, for example, when moving about inside a vehicle or getting out of it, has assumed greater significance with the increase of vehicle electronic modules. Tests simulating the electrostatic discharge of humans, in common use by various industries, were examined and it was determined that they were not fully applicable to the automotive environment. As a consequence, tests tailored to the automotive environment were developed.

Tests that simulate an electrostatic discharge (ESD) into a vehicle electrical system are based on the human ESD model. Sensitive electrical devices can be adversely affected by energy either coupled or radiated from electrostatic discharges. This International Standard describes ESD tests that are applicable to both automotive electronic modules and vehicles.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the electrostatic discharge (ESD) test methods necessary to evaluate electronic modules intended for vehicle use. It applies to discharges in the following cases:

- ESD in assembly;
- ESD caused by service staff;
- ESD caused by occupants.

ESD applied to the device under test (DUT) can directly influence the DUT. ESD applied to neighbouring parts can couple into supply and signal lines of the DUT in the vehicle and/or directly into the DUT.

This International Standard describes test procedures for evaluating both electronic modules on the bench and complete vehicles. This International Standard applies to all types of road vehicles regardless of the propulsion system (e.g. spark-ignition engine, diesel engine, electric motor).

This International Standard is based in part on IEC 61000-4-2 and describes vehicle-specific requirements.

This International Standard does not apply to pyrotechnic modules.

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.

ISO 7637-1, *Road vehicles — Electrical disturbances from conduction and coupling — Part 1: Definitions and general considerations*

ISO 11452-1, *Road vehicles — Component test methods for electrical disturbances from narrowband radiated electromagnetic energy — Part 1: General principles and terminology*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 7637-1 and ISO 11452-1 and the following apply.

3.1

air discharge

test method characterized by bringing the test generator electrode close to the device under test (DUT); the discharge is by arcing on the DUT