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Règles de performances des appareils du Groupe I pouvant indiquer jusqu'à 5 % (v/v) de méthane dans l'air

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1 Scope

1.1 This European Standard specifies performance requirements for Group I (as defined in European Standard EN 50054) portable, transportable and fixed apparatus for the detection and measurement of methane concentrations in mine air. The apparatus, or parts thereof, are intended for use in mines susceptible to firedamps and shall meet the general requirements and test methods specified in EN 50054.

1.2 This European Standard is restricted to apparatus intended for the detection and measurement of methane volume ratios in air from 0 % (v/v) up to but not exceeding 5 % (v/v).

2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to the European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

EN 50054 1998 Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases
General requirements and test methods

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the definitions given in EN 50054 apply.

4 General requirements

The apparatus shall comply with the general requirements specified in EN 50054 and with the performance requirements specified in clause 4 of this European Standard.

Compliance shall be determined in accordance with the appropriate test requirements and methods, including initial calibration, specified in EN 50054.

5 Performance requirements

5.1 General

The normal conditions for test are specified in subclause 5.3 of EN 50054. Compliance shall be determined in accordance with the test methods specified in subclause 5.4 of EN 50054.

5.2 Unpowered storage

After being submitted to the conditions specified in subclause 5.4.2 of EN 50054, the apparatus shall meet the requirements specified in 5.3 to 5.25 of this European Standard.

5.3 Calibration curve (not applicable to alarm-only apparatus)

After initial adjustment with the standard test gas, each of the three indications (after correction using the manufacturer's calibration curve, if necessary) obtained for each of four gas volume ratios distributed over the measuring range shall not differ from these volume ratios by more than $\pm 0,1$ % (v/v) methane or ± 5 % of the indication, whichever is the greater.

5.4 Drift (continuous duty apparatus)

The medium term variation shall not exceed $\pm 0,1$ % (v/v) methane or ± 5 % of the indication, whichever is the greater, in air and in the standard test gas.

In addition, the apparatus shall be run in a methane-air mixture (methane volume ratio 1,0 % (v/v) to 1,5 % (v/v)) for 5 days, readings being taken daily in clean air and in the standard test gas and the variation of the indication in the standard test gas shall not exceed $\pm 0,1$ % (v/v) methane.