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Foreword

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Introduction

This European Standard does not give guidance on installation of a gas detection system.

This European Standard specifies unique ranges and alarm levels for type testing, specifying minimum requirements. All alarm levels are variable and may be adapted to national and/or local regulations.

Separate type testing of remote gas sensors and control units is permitted. It is common practice to use an integrated tunnel control system that includes processing of toxic gas measurement along with other monitoring functions. When remote gas detectors and control units are type tested separately, it is the responsibility of the manufacturer to ensure that the assembled system complies with the requirements of this European Standard. The maximum capacity of the assembled system should not exceed the capacity of the system that has been type tested.

Engineering companies or installers who buy equipment from different manufacturers are responsible for the proper integration of the system.

1 Scope

This European Standard applies to apparatus for the detection and/or the measurement of carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen monoxide (NO) and nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) intended to control a ventilation system and/or to give an indication, alarm or any other signal to warn of a toxic hazard. These three gases are generically called “target gases” for the purpose of this European Standard.

National and local regulations might not require detection of NO or NO₂ and might require detection of other gases or vapours.

This European Standard includes requirements for remote gas sensors (RGS) to be used in car parks and tunnels and requirements for the control unit (CU) to be used in car parks.

This European Standard specifies general requirements for construction and testing and describes the test methods that apply to fixed apparatus for the detection and/or the measurement of the concentration of the target gases in car parks and tunnels. This European Standard may also be applied to similar applications where the concentration of the target gases could lead to a risk to health, for example loading areas for trucks and underground bus stations.

This European Standard also applies when an apparatus manufacturer makes any claims regarding superior performance that exceeds these minimum requirements.

This European Standard applies to apparatus, including the sampling system if applicable.

This European Standard does not specify requirements for apparatus to be installed in hazardous areas.

This European Standard does not apply for applications already covered by the following standards:

- domestic premises, covered by EN 50291-1;
- boats, craft, caravans or mobile homes, covered by EN 50291-2;
- workplace atmospheres, covered by EN 45544 series;
- emissions of heaters, covered by EN 50379 series;
- motor vehicles emissions, covered by ISO/PAS 3930;
- monitoring of the LEL level of combustible gases, covered by EN 60079-29-1.

This European Standard does not apply for the following applications and technologies:

- confined spaces not accessible to people;
- laboratory or analytical equipment;
- apparatus used to control industrial processes;
- portable and transportable apparatus;
- open path gas detection;
- tunnel construction;
- monitoring of particulates and dust;
- monitoring of combustible gases;
- CO monitoring for fire detection.

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.

EN 50270, *Electromagnetic compatibility – Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen*

EN 50271, *Electrical apparatus for the detection and measurement of combustible gases, toxic gases or oxygen – Requirements and tests for apparatus using software and/or digital technologies*

EN 60073, *Basic and safety principles for man-machine interface, marking and identification – Coding principles for indicators and actuators* (IEC 60073)

EN 60335-1:2002 + corr. Jul.2009 + corr. May.2010 + A1:2004 + corr. Jan.2007 + A2:2006 + A11:2004 + A12:2006 + corr. Feb.2007 + A13:2008 + A14:2010, *Household and similar electrical appliances – Safety – Part 1: General requirements* (IEC 60335-1:2001 + A1:2004 + A2:2006 + corrigendum Aug. 2006)

EN 60529, *Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)* (IEC 60529)

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1 Gas properties

3.1.1

clean air

air that is free of target gas, interfering gases or contaminating substances

3.1.2

hazardous area (potentially explosive atmosphere)

an atmosphere which could become explosive due to local and operational conditions

NOTE Operation in hazardous areas may require legislative measures for the approval, installation and construction requirements of the apparatus.

3.1.3

ppm.min

gas concentration multiplied by the time, in minutes, of gas application

NOTE Used for testing Time-weighted Average (TWA).

3.1.4

volume ratio

V/V

ratio of one component in a mixture divided by the sum of the volumes of all the components before they are mixed at specified temperature and pressure conditions

[ISO 7504]

NOTE 1 This is also known as concentration.

NOTE 2 Assuming ideal behaviour of gases, the volume ratio coincides with the molar ratio (mol/mol). The ppm units are equivalent to the International System units 10^{-6} vol/vol.