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## Foreword

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- reference to the latest version of EN 60068-2-47: Mounting;
- simplification of the layout of the standard by replacing some tables with text;
- addition of the test report requirements (see Clause 13).

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with their corresponding European publications**

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.

NOTE When an international publication has been modified by common modifications, indicated by (mod), the relevant EN/HD applies.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>EN/HD</u>	<u>Year</u>
IEC 60068-1	- <sup>1)</sup>	Environmental testing - Part 1: General and guidance	EN 60068-1	1994 <sup>2)</sup>
IEC 60068-2-47	- <sup>1)</sup>	Environmental testing - Part 2-47: Tests - Mounting of specimens for vibration, impact and similar dynamic tests	EN 60068-2-47	2005 <sup>2)</sup>
IEC 60721-3	Series	Classification of environmental conditions - Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities	EN 60721-3	Series
ISO 2041	- <sup>1)</sup>	Vibration and shock - Vocabulary	-	-
ISO/IEC 17025	2005	General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories	EN ISO/IEC 17025	2005

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<sup>1)</sup> Undated reference.

<sup>2)</sup> Valid edition at date of issue.

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## INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 60068 gives a method of test applicable to components, equipment and other articles which, during transportation or in service, may be subjected to conditions involving vibration of a harmonic pattern, generated primarily by rotating, pulsating or oscillating forces, such as occur in ships, aircraft, land vehicles, rotorcraft and space applications or are caused by machinery and seismic phenomena.

This standard consists basically of subjecting a specimen to sinusoidal vibration over a given frequency range or at discrete frequencies, for a given period of time. A vibration response investigation may be specified which aims at determining critical frequencies of the specimen.

The relevant specification shall indicate whether the specimen shall function during vibration or whether it suffices that it still works after having been submitted to vibration.

It is emphasized that vibration testing always demands a certain degree of engineering judgement, and both the supplier and purchaser should be fully aware of this fact. However, sinusoidal testing is deterministic and, therefore, relatively simple to perform. Thus it is readily applicable to both diagnostic and service life testing.

The main part of this standard deals primarily with the methods of controlling the test at specified points using either analogue or digital techniques, and gives, in detail, the testing procedure. The requirements for the vibration motion, choice of severities including frequency ranges, amplitudes and endurance times are also specified, these severities representing a rationalized series of parameters. The relevant specification writer is expected to choose the testing procedure and values appropriate to the specimen and its use.

Certain terms have been defined to facilitate a proper understanding of the text. These definitions are given in Clause 3.

Annex A gives general guidance for the test and Annexes B and C provide guidance on the selection of severities for components and equipment.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING –

### Part 2: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60068 gives a method of test which provides a standard procedure to determine the ability of components, equipment and other articles, hereinafter referred to as specimens, to withstand specified severities of sinusoidal vibration. If an item is to be tested in an unpackaged form, that is without its packaging, it is referred to as a test specimen. However, if the item is packaged then the item itself is referred to as a product and the item and its packaging together are referred to as a test specimen.

The purpose of this test is to determine any mechanical weakness and/or degradation in the specified performance of specimens and to use this information, in conjunction with the relevant specification, to decide upon the acceptability of the specimens. In some cases, the test method may also be used to demonstrate the mechanical robustness of specimens and/or to study their dynamic behaviour. Categorization of components can also be made on the basis of a selection from within the severities quoted in the test.

#### 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.

IEC 60068-1, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 60068-2-47, *Environmental testing – Part 2-47: Tests – Mounting of specimens for vibration, impact and similar dynamic tests*

IEC 60721-3 (all parts), *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities*

ISO 2041, *Vibration and shock – Vocabulary*

ISO/IEC 17025:2005, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*

#### 3 Terms and definitions

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

NOTE 1 The terms used are generally taken from ISO 2041 and IEC 60068-1. However, “sweep cycle” (3.4) and “signal tolerance” (3.5) have specific meanings in this standard.

Definitions in alphabetical order:

Actual motion	3.7
Basic motion	3.6
Centred resonance frequency	3.10
Check point	3.2.1