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# ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS – VIBRATION AND SHOCK OF ELECTROTECHNICAL EQUIPMENT –

## Part 5: Equipment during storage and handling

### 1 Scope

IEC TR 62131-5, which is a technical report, reviews the available dynamic data relating to the handling of electrotechnical equipment. The intention is that from all the available data an environmental description will be generated and compared to that set out in the IEC 60021 series.

For each of the sources identified, the quality of the data is reviewed and checked for self consistency. The process used to undertake this check of data quality and that used to intrinsically categorize the various data sources is set out in IEC TR 62131-5.

This technical report primarily addresses data extracted from a number of different sources for which reasonable confidence exist in its quality and validity. The report also reviews some data for which the quality and validity cannot realistically be verified. These data are included to facilitate validation of information from other sources. The report clearly indicates when utilising information in this latter category.

This technical report addresses data from a number of data gathering exercises. The quantity and quality of data in these exercises varies considerably as does the range of conditions encompassed.

Not all of the data reviewed were made available in electronic form. To permit comparison to be made, in this assessment, a quantity of the original (non-electronic) data has been manually digitized.

### 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.

IEC 60068 (all parts), *Environmental testing*

IEC 60068-2-27, *Environmental testing – Part 2-27: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock*

IEC 60068-2-291, *Environmental testing – Part 2-29: Tests – Test Eb Bump*

IEC 60068-2-64, *Environmental testing – Part 2-64: Tests – Test Fh: Vibration, broadband random and guidance*

IEC 60721 (all parts), *Classification of environmental conditions*

IEC 60721-3-2:1997, *Classification of environmental conditions – Part 3: Classification of groups of environmental parameters and their severities – Section 2: Transportation*

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<sup>1</sup> Withdrawn and now incorporated into IEC 60068-2-27.