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- Part 5: Example of an Egress model

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1 Scope

ISO 16730-1 describes what the contents of a technical documentation and of a user's manual should be for an assessment, if the application of a calculation method as engineering tool to predict real-world scenarios leads to validate results. The purpose of this part of ISO 16730 is to show how ISO 16730-1 is applied to a calculation method, for a specific example. It demonstrates how technical and users' aspects of the method are properly described in order to enable the assessment of the method in view of verification and validation.

The example in this part of ISO 16730 describes the application of procedures given in ISO 16730-1 for an evacuation model (EXIT89).

The main objective of the specific model treated in this part of ISO 16730 is the simulation of the evacuation of a high-rise building with a large occupant population.

2 Normative references

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ISO 16730-1, *Fire safety engineering — Assessment, verification and validation of calculation methods — Part 1: General*

3 General information on the evacuation model considered

The name given to the evacuation model considered in this document is "EXIT89". EXIT89 is a computer model developed to simulate the evacuation of a high-rise building with a large occupant population. Some of the features of the model include

- the presence of disabled occupants throughout a structure,
- random delay times among occupants to simulate the spread of start times that will occur in large groups of people,
- the choice of using shortest paths or directed routes for evacuation so that the user can demonstrate the impact of a trained staff streamlining evacuation vs. the crowded use of familiar paths by an untrained, unassisted population,
- counterflows, either to simulate the impact of the operations of the fire service or to handle merging flows or the presence of obstructions in the travel path,
- a choice of options affecting travel speed, and
- occupant travel up or down stairs.