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- b) addition of new tables in Clause 5.

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## INTRODUCTION

According to the wish expressed by the users of miniature fuses, all standards, recommendations and other documents relating to miniature fuses should have the same publication number in order to facilitate reference to fuses in other specifications, for example, equipment specifications.

Furthermore, a single publication number and subdivision into parts would facilitate the establishment of new standards, because clauses containing general requirements need not be repeated.

The IEC 60127 series, under the general heading *Miniature fuses*, is thus subdivided as follows:

IEC 60127-1, *Miniature fuses – Part 1: Definitions for miniature fuses and general requirements for miniature fuse-links*

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IEC 60127-4, *Miniature fuses – Part 4: Universal modular fuse-links (UMF) – Through-hole and surface mount types*

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## MINIATURE FUSES –

### Part 5: Guidelines for quality assessment of miniature fuse-links

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60127 gives a guide for tests for assessing the quality of miniature fuse-links other than type tests, for the case where there is no complete agreement between the user and the manufacturer on what such tests apply.

This document provides guidelines and limits generally acceptable for quality control purposes by large scale users and manufacturers of miniature fuse-links. This document has no validity for large scale series with lot sizes of 10 000 and more. It is also applicable for smaller lot sizes, if necessary.

Periodic inspections by reduced type tests (Clause 5) are intended to be carried out periodically in order to ensure that the level of technical performance previously certified by complete type tests as given in subsequent parts of the IEC 60127 series is maintained.

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IEC 60127-1:2006/AMD1:2011

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IEC 60127-2:2014, *Miniature fuses – Part 2: Cartridge fuse-links*

IEC 60127-3:2015, *Miniature fuses – Part 3: Sub-miniature fuse-links*

IEC 60127-4:2005, *Miniature fuses – Part 4: Universal modular fuse-links (UMF) – Through-hole and surface mount types*

IEC 60127-4:2005/AMD1:2008

IEC 60127-4:2005/AMD2:2012

IEC 60127-7:2015, *Miniature fuses – Part 7: Miniature fuse-links for special applications*

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