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## MAGNETIC MATERIALS –

### Part 8-6: Specifications for individual materials – Soft magnetic metallic materials

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60404 specifies the general requirements, magnetic properties, geometric characteristics and tolerances as well as inspection procedures for pure iron, silicon-iron, nickel-iron and cobalt-iron. The materials are in the form of bar, billet, sheet, strip or wire. The alloys covered correspond to those defined by classes A, C1, C2, E1 to E4 and F1 to F3 in IEC 60404-1.

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Non-oriented and oriented silicon steels (C21 and C22) for industrial power frequency applications, classified by specific total loss, are covered in IEC 60404-8-3, IEC 60404-8-4 and IEC 60404-8-7.

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