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TESTS AND MEASUREMENTS –****Part 8-3: Static load tests (fixed connectors) –  
Test 8c: Robustness of actuating lever**

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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) This edition reflects IEC 60512-1-101, Blank detail specification.
- b) Subclause 4.2 (Preparation of specimen) is improved.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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Full information on the voting for the approval of this International Standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

This document has been drafted in accordance with the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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## CONNECTORS FOR ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT – TESTS AND MEASUREMENTS –

### Part 8-3: Static load tests (fixed connectors) – Test 8c: Robustness of actuating lever

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60512, when required by the detail (product) specification, is used for testing connectors within the scope of IEC technical committee 48. It may also be used for similar devices, when specified in a detail (product) specification.

The object of this document is to detail a standard test method to assess the robustness of the actuating lever of a connector mating or release mechanism.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 60512-1, *Connectors for electrical and electronic equipment – Tests and measurements – Part 1: General*

IEC 60512-1-1, *Connectors for electrical and electronic equipment – Tests and measurements – Part 1-1: General Examination – Test 1a: Visual examination*

#### 3 Terms and definitions

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#### 4 Preparations

##### 4.1 Test equipment

A suitable test device and appropriate fixture shall be used.

##### 4.2 Preparation of specimen

A specimen of connector or similar device shall be equipped with a mating/release mechanism (latching/unlatching) including an actuating lever.

The number of specimens to prepare shall be as specified in the detail (product) specification