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- a) the materials available for use within this series of standards have been updated;
- b) a framework has been created to allow test methods beyond those used for quality control specifications to allow for testing for qualification purposes.

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## INTRODUCTION

This document is one of a series which deals with combined flexible materials consisting of two or more different insulating materials laminated together. The components of the combined materials are plastic films and/or fibrous materials such as papers, woven or non-woven fabrics, impregnated or not impregnated. This document does not include mica papers used as primary component, which are covered by the IEC 60371 series, but insulation materials based on mica can be used as component of a combined flexible material.

This series consist of three parts describing:

Part 1: Definitions and general requirements (IEC 60626-1);

Part 2: Methods of test (IEC 60626-2);

Part 3: Specifications for individual materials (IEC 60626-3).

# COMBINED FLEXIBLE MATERIALS FOR ELECTRICAL INSULATION –

## Part 1: Definitions and general requirements

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60626 contains the definitions related to and the general requirements to be fulfilled by combined flexible materials for electrical insulation. This document does not include mica papers used as a primary component, which are covered by the IEC 60371 series, but insulation materials based on mica paper can be used as component of a combined flexible material. Materials which conform to this specification meet established levels of performance. However, the selection of material by a user for a specific application is based on the actual requirements necessary for adequate performance in that application and not based on this specification alone.

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IEC 60371-3-5, *Insulating materials based on mica – Part 3: Specifications for individual materials – Sheet 5: Glass-backed mica paper with and epoxy resin binder for post-impregnation (VPI)*

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IEC 60554-3-1, *Specification for cellulosic papers for electrical purposes – Part 3-1: Specifications for individual materials – General purpose electrical paper*

IEC 60626-3, *Combined flexible materials for electrical insulation – Part 3: Specifications for individual materials*

IEC 60641-3-2:2007, *Pressboard and presspaper for electrical purposes – Part 3: Specifications for individual materials – Sheet 2: Requirements for presspaper types P.2.1, P4.1, P4.2, P4.3 and P6.1*

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