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This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition, published in 2008. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

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

- order rearrangement and review of terms and definitions;
- abolition as a standard of the infrared absorbance coefficient $\alpha_{3\ 410}$;
- addition of the α value measurement explanation by FT-IR equipment in annex;
- addition of the synthetic quartz crystal standards for optical applications.

The text of this standard is based on the following documents:

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INTRODUCTION

The reason for adding synthetic quartz crystal for optical application to this International Standard is as follows.

Quartz crystal produced for optical applications is produced by many of the same suppliers manufacturing quartz for electronic applications. The equipment and methods to produce optical quartz are similar to those used in the production of electronic quartz. Also, with a few exceptions the characterization methods of electronic and optical material are similar. Therefore, IEC 60758 serves as the proper basis for including addenda related to quartz crystal for optical applications.

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This International Standard applies to synthetic quartz single crystals intended for manufacturing piezoelectric elements for frequency control, selection and optical applications.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60068-1:2013, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

IEC 60122-1:2002, *Quartz crystal units of assessed quality – Part 1: Generic specification*

IEC 60410, *Sampling plans and procedures for inspection by attributes*

IEC 61994 (all parts), *Piezoelectric and dielectric devices for frequency control and selection – Glossary*

3 Terms and definitions

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3.1

hydrothermal crystal growth

crystal growth in the presence of water, elevated temperatures and pressures by a crystal growth process believed to proceed geologically within the earth's crust

Note 1 to entry: The industrial synthetic quartz growth processes utilize alkaline water solutions confined within autoclaves at supercritical temperatures (330 °C to 400 °C) and pressures (700 to 2 000 atmospheres).

Note 2 to entry: The autoclave is divided into two chambers: the dissolving chamber, containing raw quartz chips at the higher temperature; the growing chamber, containing cut seeds at the lower temperature (see 7.1.2).

3.2

synthetic quartz crystal

single crystal of α quartz grown by the hydrothermal method

Note 1 to entry: Cultured quartz has the same meaning as synthetic quartz crystal.

3.3

as-grown synthetic quartz crystal

state of synthetic quartz crystal prior to grinding or cutting

3.4

as-grown Y-bar

crystals which are grown by using long stick seed in the Y-direction