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- The clause structure has been modified on the view point of a laboratory testing procedure. The new sequence is as follows: test rig specification (Clause 4), general testing procedure (Clause 5), and specific procedure for each operational characteristic (Clauses 6 to 8).
- A new Clause 9 has been added to introduce the black-band test for the characterisation of the brush grades for DC machines.

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# ROTATING ELECTRICAL MACHINES – TEST METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THE MEASUREMENT OF THE OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS OF BRUSHES

## 1 Scope

This document applies to test methods for the measurement of the operational characteristics of brushes designed to operate on commutating and slip ring machines under specified test conditions.

By extension some tests may be relevant for other kinds of sliding electrical contact for electrical appliances.

## 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 60034-19:2014, *Rotating electrical machines – Part 19: Specific test methods for d.c. machines on conventional and rectifier-fed supplies*

IEC 60136, *Dimensions of brushes and brush-holders for electrical machinery*

IEC 60276:2018, *Carbon brushes, brush holders, commutators and slip-rings – Definitions and nomenclature*

IEC 60356, *Dimensions for commutators and slip-rings*

IEC 60584-1:2013, *Thermocouples – Part 1: EMF specifications and tolerances*

IEC 60751:2008, *Industrial platinum resistance thermometers and platinum temperature sensors*

IEC TR 61015, *Brush-holders for electrical machines. Guide to the measurement of the static thrust applied to brushes*

ISO 1190-1:1932, *Copper and copper alloys – code of designation – Part 1: Designation of material*

ISO 3274:1996, *Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) – Surface texture: Profile method – Nominal characteristics of contact (stylus) instruments*

ISO 15510:2014, *Stainless steels – Chemical composition*

## 3 Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviated terms

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