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- b) recommended test severities from IEC 61753-1;
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## Part 2-38: Tests – Sealing for fibre optic sealed closures and hardened connectors using air pressure

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61300 presents two methods for testing the sealing performance of a fibre optic sealed closure and hardened connector using air pressure.

### 2 Normative references

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#### 3.1

**hardened fibre optic connector**  
water and dust tight connector

Note 1 to entry: A hardened fibre optic connector is typically used for a connection in outside plant.

[SOURCE: IEC 61753-1:2018, 3.8]

#### 3.2

**sealed closure**

water-tight and dust-tight housing that can hold a varying overpressure or underpressure caused by temperature changes or atmospheric pressure changes

Note 1 to entry: There is no exchange of air with the outside environment when exposed to temperatures over the specified operating temperature range.

Note 2 to entry: Although often referred to as hermetic sealed closures, humidity can enter the inner closure by diffusion.

Note 3 to entry: Sealed boxes or sealed wall outlets shall be treated as sealed closures.

[SOURCE: IEC 61753-1:2018, 3.17, modified – Note 4 to entry has been deleted.]