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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to IEC/PAS 62612.

- a) The standard explicitly states that real life time tests are not part of the test regime. Instead, a period of up to 6 000 h is chosen in order to assess manufacturers' claims of maintenance.
- b) Technical features have been adapted to IEC/PAS 62717 (performance of LED modules) as far as possible. Examples are the family approach and the temperature measuring point.
- c) Marking requirements are shifted from the product to the packaging.
- d) The number of lamps to be tested is made test specific, not general.
- e) First requirements are given for setting the colour for colour adjustable lamps and the luminous flux level of dimmable lamps.
- f) The structure of tests is clearly divided between requirement and compliance.
- g) Statistical compliance is separated into individual and average.
- h) Light output requirements are extended to luminous intensity distribution, peak intensity, beam angle and efficacy.
- i) The use of the terms "correlated colour temperature" and "chromaticity coordinates" is corrected.
- j) The number of tolerance categories is reduced from 5 to 4, and split between initial and maintained values.
- k) Colour rendering is differently assessed at initial and maintained state.
- l) Three lumen maintenance categories are given instead of five.
- m) The endurance tests are completely re-established.
- n) The verification (formerly: assessment) clause is completed.
- o) Information for luminaire design is added.
- p) Stabilisation is more precise (Annex A on the method of measuring lamp characteristics) and extension is made for the additional photometric and colorimetric parameters.
- q) Annex B on measuring luminous flux is contained in Annex A. New Annex B provides the photometric code.
- r) Further annexes are added: Annex C and D for displacement factor, Annex E for life time metrics/reliability, and Annex F for examples of LED dies and LED packages.

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## INTRODUCTION

This International Standard is the first edition of a performance standard (precursor: IEC/PAS 62612) for self-ballasted LED lamps for general lighting applications and acknowledges the need for relevant tests for this new source of electrical light, sometimes called “solid state lighting”.

The provisions in this standard represent the technical knowledge of experts from the fields of the semiconductor (LED chip) industry and of those of the traditional electrical light sources.

## SELF-BALLASTED LED LAMPS FOR GENERAL LIGHTING SERVICES WITH SUPPLY VOLTAGES > 50 V – PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

### 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the performance requirements, together with the test methods and conditions, required to show compliance of LED lamps with integral means for stable operation, intended for domestic and similar general lighting purposes, having:

- a rated power up to 60 W;
- a rated voltage of > 50 V a.c. up to 250 V a.c.;
- a lamp cap as listed in IEC 62560.

These performance requirements are additional to the safety requirements in IEC 62560.

The only feature provided by this standard, when applied for replacement purposes, is information on maximum lamp outlines.

The requirements of this standard relate to type testing. This standard covers LED lamps that intentionally produce white light, based on inorganic LEDs.

Recommendations for whole product testing or batch testing are under consideration.

The life time of LED lamps is in most cases much longer than the practical test times. Consequently, verification of manufacturer's life time claims cannot be made in a sufficiently confident way, because projecting test data further in time is not standardised. For that reason the acceptance or rejection of a manufacturer's life time claim, past an operational time as stated in 7.1, is out of the scope of this standard.

Instead of life time validation, this standard has opted for lumen maintenance codes at a defined finite test time. Therefore, the code number does not imply a prediction of achievable life time. The categories, represented by the code, are lumen-depreciation character categories showing behaviour in agreement with manufacturer's information, provided before the test is started.

In order to validate a life time claim, several methods of test data extrapolation exist. A general method of projecting measurement data beyond limited test time is under consideration.

The pass/fail criterion of the life time test as defined in this standard is different from the life time metrics claimed by manufacturers. For explanation of recommended life time metrics, see Annex E.

NOTE When lamps are operated in a luminaire the claimed performance data can deviate from the values established via this standard due to e.g. luminaire components that impact the performance of the lamp.

It can be expected that self-ballasted LED lamps, which comply with this standard will start and operate satisfactorily at voltages between 92 % and 106 % of rated supply voltage and at an ambient air temperature between –20 °C and 40 °C and in a luminaire complying with IEC 60598-1.

If a supplier claims suitability for operation at different conditions (for instance, at higher voltage, temperature or humidity) then: