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**Part 1: General procedures for all types of transmitters**

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## INTRODUCTION

Most of the current IEC standards on industrial and process measurement transmitters are rather old and were developed having in mind devices based on analogue technologies. Today's digital industrial and process measurement transmitters are quite different from those analogue transmitters: they include more functions and newer interfaces, both towards the computing section (mostly digital electronic) and towards the measuring section (mostly mechanical). Even if some standards dealing with digital process measurement transmitters already exist, they are not sufficient, since some aspects of the performance are not covered by appropriate test methods.

In addition, existing IEC test standards for industrial and process measurement transmitters are spread over many documents, so that for manufacturers and users it is difficult, impractical and time-consuming to identify and select all the standards to be applied to a device measuring a specific process quantity (pressure, temperature, flow, level, etc.).

To help manufacturers and users, it was decided to review, complete and reorganize the relevant IEC standards and to create a more suitable, effective and comprehensive standard series that provides in a systematic way all the necessary specifications and tests required for different industrial and process measurement transmitters.

To solve the issues mentioned above and to provide an added value to the stakeholders, the new standard series on industrial and process measurement transmitters covers the following main aspects:

- Applicable normative references
- Specific terms and definitions
- Typical configurations and architectures for the various types of industrial and process measurement transmitters
- Hardware and software aspects
- Interfaces (to the process, to the operator, to the other measurement and control devices)
- Physical, mechanical and electrical requirements and relevant tests; clear definition of the test categories: type tests, acceptance tests and routine tests
- Performance (its specification, tests and verification)
- Environmental protection, hazardous areas application, functional safety, etc.
- Structure of the technical documentation.

To cover in a systematic way all the topics to be addressed, the standard series is organized in several parts. At the moment of the publication of this document, IEC 62828 consists of the following parts:

- *Part 1: General procedures for all types of transmitters*
- *Part 2: Specific procedures for pressure transmitters*
- *Part 3: Specific procedures for temperature transmitters*
- *Part 4: Specific procedures for level transmitters*
- *Part 5: Specific procedures for flow transmitters*

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# REFERENCE CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR TESTING INDUSTRIAL AND PROCESS MEASUREMENT TRANSMITTERS –

## Part 1: General procedures for all types of transmitters

### 1 Scope

This Part of IEC 62828 establishes a general framework for defining reference conditions and test procedures applicable to all types of industrial and process measurement transmitters (PMTs) used in measuring and control systems for industrial process and machinery. These reference test conditions are divided into “standard reference conditions”, which apply when determining the accuracy of measurement, and “ambient and process reference conditions”, which are used to assess the influence of external quantities on the measurement.

For the purpose of this document, an analogue PMT is a process measurement transmitter with an analogue current or voltage output, irrespective of the technology adopted and the complexity of the circuitry. All the other process measurement transmitters, with digital output only or with hybrid analogue and digital output (e.g. HART<sup>®</sup>), are considered to be digital PMTs.

For general test procedures, reference is made to IEC 62828-1, which is applicable to all types of industrial and process measurement transmitters.

Additional specific test procedures for given types of PMTs (pressure, temperature, level, flow) are covered by other parts of this series.

NOTE 1 In industrial and process applications, to indicate the process measurement transmitters it is common also to use the terms “industrial transmitters”, or “process transmitters”.

NOTE 2 For better clarity, when the complete definition “industrial and process measurement transmitter” makes the sentence too long in this document, the short term “transmitter” is used instead.

Proximity devices with analogue output are excluded from the scope of this document.

### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60068-2-6, *Environmental testing – Part 2-6: Tests – Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)*

IEC 60068-2-27, *Environmental testing – Part 2-27: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock*

IEC 60068-2-31, *Environmental testing – Part 2-31: Tests – Test Ec: Rough handling shocks, primarily for equipment-type specimens*

IEC 60068-2-78, *Environmental testing – Part 2-78: Tests – Test Cab: Damp heat, steady state*