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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62862 specifies the requirements and the test methods for the characterization of a large-size parabolic-trough collector.

This document covers the determination of optical and thermal performance of parabolic-trough collectors, and the tracking accuracy of the collector one-axis tracking system. This test method is for outdoor testing only.

This document applies to parabolic-trough collectors equipped with the manufacturer-supplied sun tracking mechanism.

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