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Conformity assessment



In this presentation we give some basic informations on topics related to compliance Questions:
What is Compliance?
What does it mean to comply?
Different types of compliance regimes?



Definitions



- Conformity assessment is the name given to processes that are used to demonstrate that a product or a service or a management system or a person meets specified requirements.
- The specified requirements may be contained in a technical standard, a regulation or a contract
- "conformity marking" means a marking by which the manufacturer indicates that the radio equipment is in conformity with the applicable requirements providing for its affixing.
- Market surveillance: "Measures by public authorities to ensure that a product made available on the market comply with existing requirements"



Definitions



CONFORMANCE TESTING – a way to determine directly or indirectly that relevant requirements are fulfilled.

- Serves as a communication between buyer and sellers
 - Buyers increased confidence
 - Sellers substantiate claims
- Necessary, but not sufficient, for interoperability



Terms & Definitions



European Directive

- Legal Document adopted by EC Council of Ministers
- Must be adopted into National Law by each EC member state
- European standards (EN)
 - Harmonized Standards: Common Standards used for determining conformity
 - Committee process
 - ENs based on existing standards (CISPR, IEC, ETSI)
 - Application of standards is not mandatory
 - Must be adopted into National Standards by each EC Member state



Terms & Definitions



Notified Body

"Notified" means that the organization has been "officially announced" to the EC and other states by National Authority

IEC

International Electrotechnical Commission

CENELEC

European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization

• ETSI

European Telecommunications Standards Institute



CERTIFICATION



CERTIFICATION - acknowledgement that a validation was completed and the criteria established for issuing certificates (brands) was met.





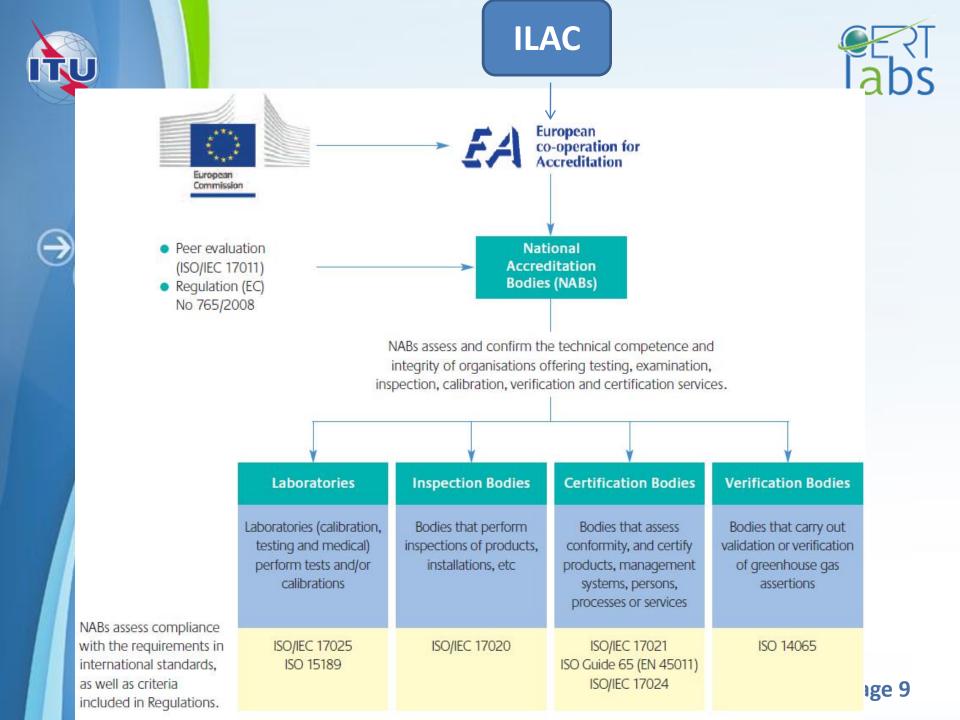
Accreditation



The accreditation process determines, in the public interest, the technical competence and integrity of organisations offering testing, examination, inspection, calibration, verification and certification services.

The assessment – documentary and on site - includes

- quality systems
- administrative procedures
- working methods
- technical competence





Compliance scheme



New product to be certified Technical procedure & standards Testing in lab (test report)

- Issuing a certificate of conformity (in case of certification scheme or autodeclaration)
- Product homologation
- Suspension or withdrawal of homologation certificate
- Monitoring, enforcement, sanction and post market surveillance



Testing Ingredients



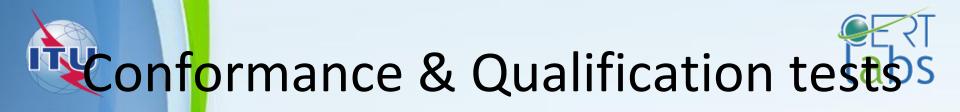
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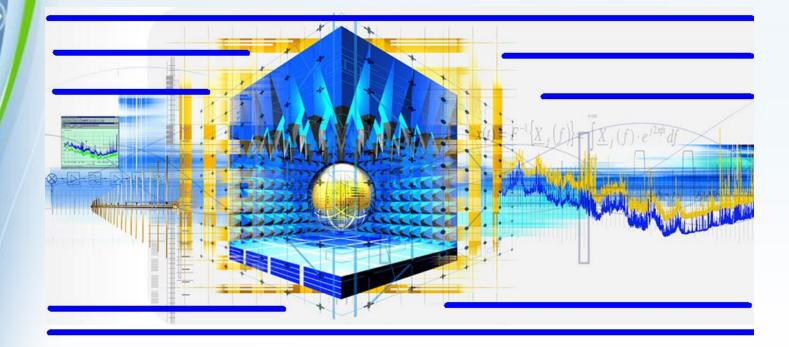
qualified bodies to do the testing and certification control board

Conformance Testing Test suite

Standard Conformance clause



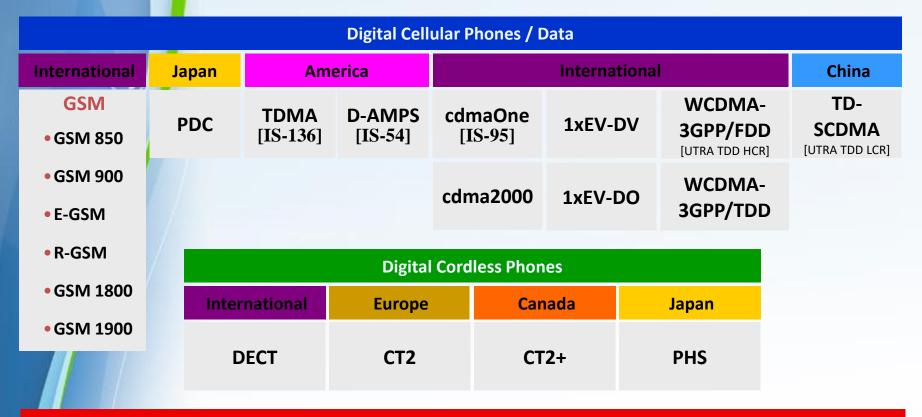






Example of Worldwide Wireless Standards





Wireless LAN & Broadband Wireless Access

International								
Bluetooth	IEEE 802.11a/e/h/i	IEEE 802.11b/e/i	IEEE 802.11g	IEEE 802.15.3a [UWB]	IEEE 802.15.4 [ZIGBEE]	IEEE 802.16 [Wireless MAN]	IEEE 802.16a [WIMAX]	
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Wireless Product Test Requirements



"Qualification" (3GPP) requirements

Safety CE / LVD Requirements

Product Conformance **Spectrum**

Radio

Requirements



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Conformance Standards



EMC (Radio ETSI)

EN 301 489-1 "radio multipart standard"

- EN 301 489-23 BS
- EN 301 489-24 UE
 - Spectrum (R&TTE ETSI)
 - EN 301 908-1 ("spectrum standard")
 - EN 301 908-3 UTRA FDD BS
 - 🔷 EN 301 908-7 UTRA TDD BS
 - ITU-R SM329-8 (spurious emissions)

Safety

- IEC 60950 (electrical safety)
- EN 60950 (LVD)
- EN 50360 (human exposure EM fields, PMS) 15

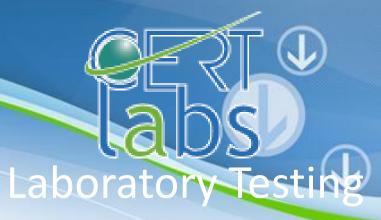
Technical Specifications "Qualification" (3GPP)

Conformance/Spectrum/EMC

- T<mark>S</mark> 25 serie<mark>s (B</mark>ase Stations BS)
- TS 34 series (User Equipment UE)
- TR 34.926 (EMC User Equipmen<mark>t)</mark>

Safety

- **TR 34.907 (3GPP)**
- TR 34.925 (Safety radiation hazard)



Radio Laboratory



Some Radio measurements

- Maximum output power
- Transmitter Spurious
- Receiver Spurious
- Occupied bandwidth
- Out-of-Band Spurious Emissions



Methods of Measurements



T ransmitter	Receiver			
Effective radiated power	Spurious emissions			
conducted <u>and</u> radiated, normal and extreme test conditions	 conducted <u>and</u> radiated, normal test conditions 			
Peak power density	◆			
 conducted or radiated, normal test conditions 				
 Frequency range 				
conducted or radiated, normal and extreme test conditions				
Spurious emissions				
 conducted <u>and</u> radiated, normal test conditions 				
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Test Site Requirements



Open air test sites (OATS)/SAC

- Ground plane
 - measurement distance: 3m (up to 1GHz), any suitable distance (> 1GHz)
- equipment size < 20% of measuring distance
 - EUT / substitution antenna 1,5 m height
 - test antenna height vary between 1 and 4 m

Fully Anechoic Chamber (FAC)

- test setup similar to open air test site
- fully anechoic chamber with floor absorbers allowed
- no height variation -> simplifies method of measurement

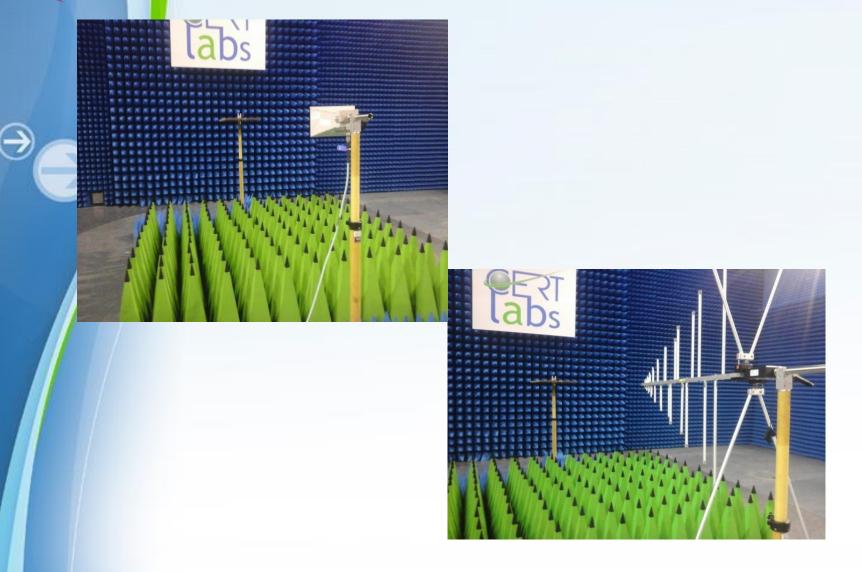
Antenna Requirements

- > Test antenna: size shall not exceed 20% of measurement Distance
- substitution antenna: dipole (tuned, or shortened) and horn radiator



Some Radio setup testing

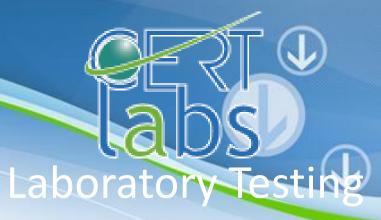






Some Radio Measurementslabs





EMC Laboratory



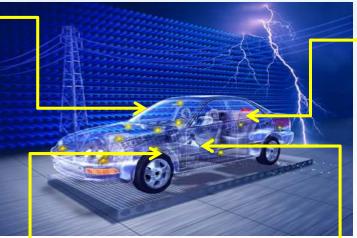
Sources of perturbation





RF transmitters





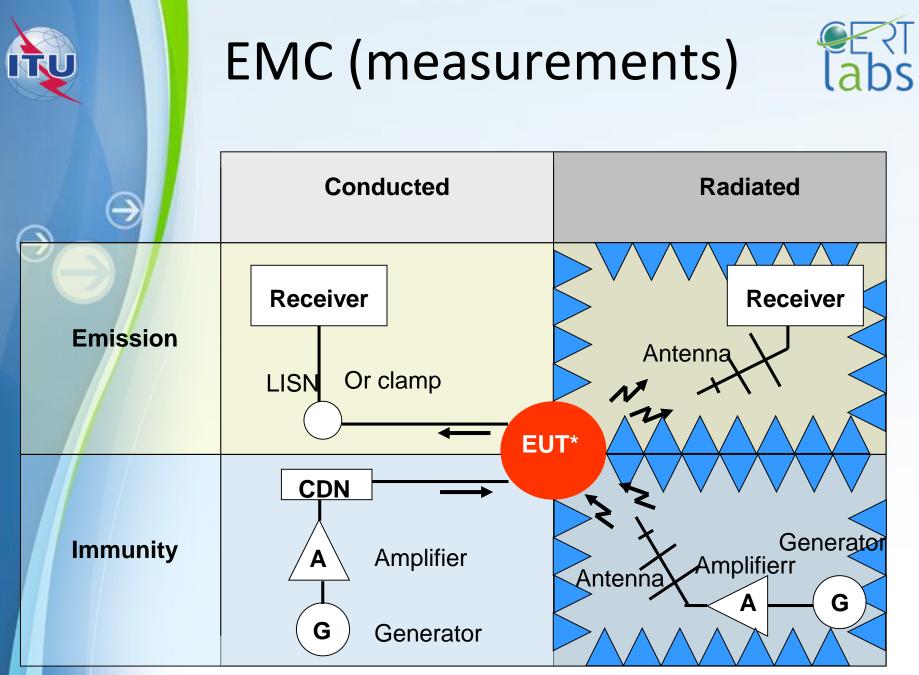
- External Impacts
- Internal Impacts
- Human Impacts



Mobile phones



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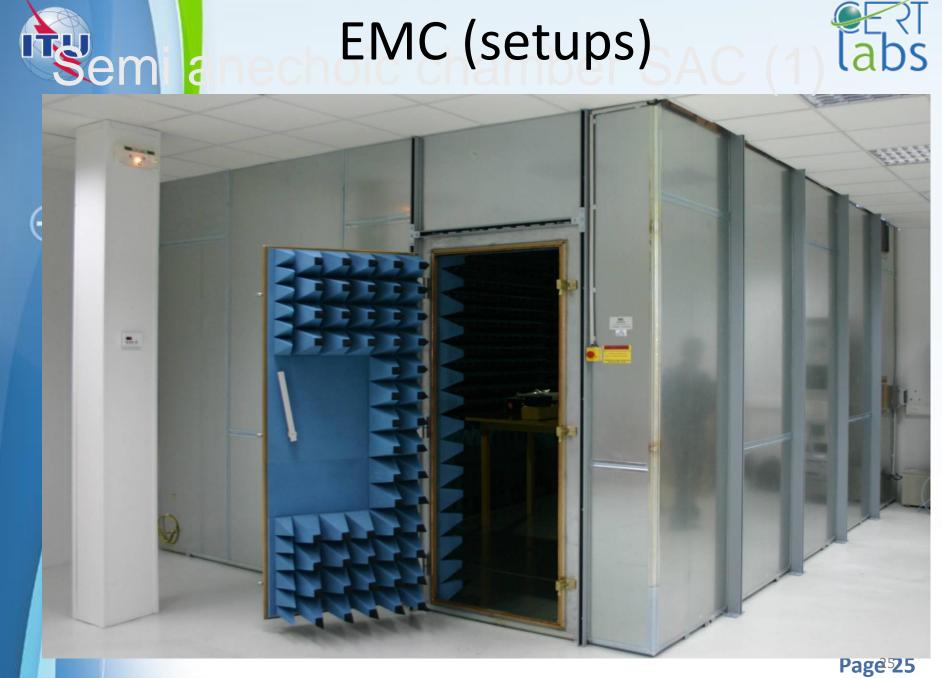


*EUT = Equipement Under Test

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EMC (setups)







Semi anechoic chamber SAC



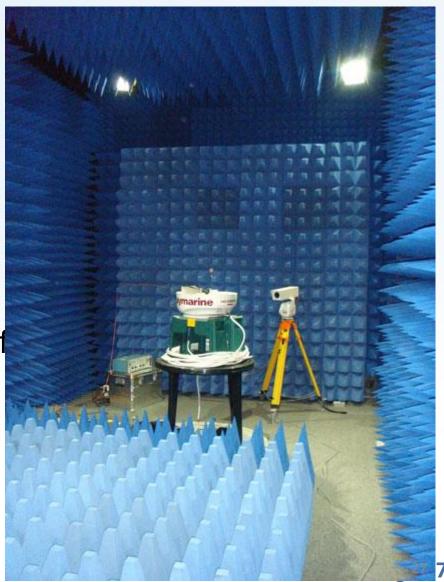




Fully anechoic chamber (FAC)



 Fully anechoic shielded enclosure Provided with radio frequency absorbent on its entire inner surface **Emission** measurements of direct radiation of radio frequency transmitters. Complies with ETSI standards

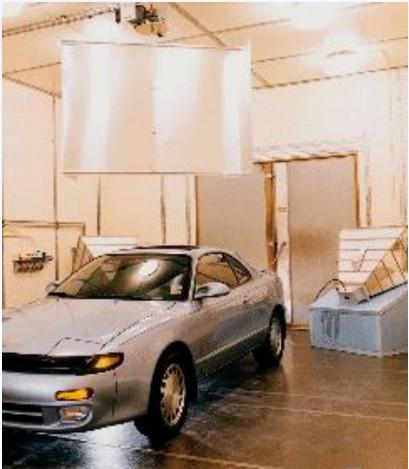


Mode stirred reverberation chambers labs

•Shielded enclosure, single or double wall, with metal stirrer

 Measures of radiated immunity and emission

•EN 61000-4-21.





TEM Cells



Closed cell loaded onto a characteristic impedance
 Measures radiated emission and immunity.
 EN61000-4-20





Open Area test sites



The reference CISPR test site
Radiated fields measures
Great distance measures (10m – 30m).









Open Area test sites

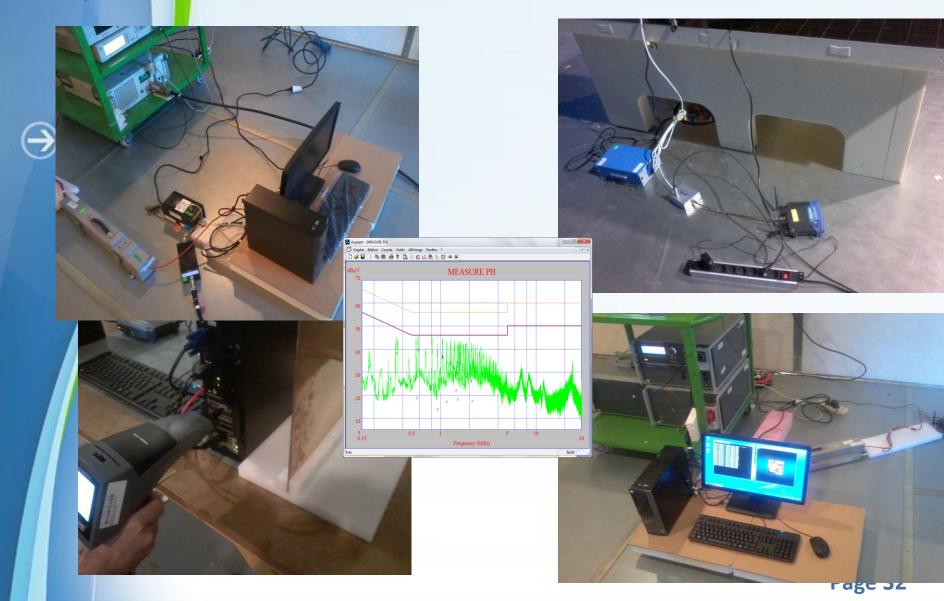






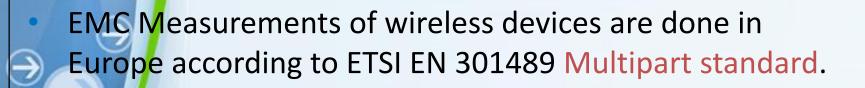
EMC setups







Summary of EMC Measurements for e



 ETSI/standards are product family standards, if not they refer to generic standards (e.g. EN 61000-6-X), basic standards
 (e.g. CISPR 32, CISPR 16) and fundamental standards EN61000-4-

Conformance tests - which are not typically EMC tests are required e.g. radiated / conducted Spurious Emission, Power density, Adjacent Channels and those under normal and extreme conditions.



Standard for Tests of Wireless Products



Content of EN 301 489					
Part 1: Common technical requirements	Part 13: CB radio				
Part 2: Radio Paging Equipment	Part 15: Amateur Radio Equipment				
Part 3: Short Range Devices	Part 16: Analogue Cellular Radio				
Part 4: Fixed Radio Links	Part 17: Wideband data and HIPERLAN				
Part 5: Private land Mobile Radio	Part 18: TETRA				
Part 6: DECT	Part 19: ROMES				
Part 7: GSM and DCS	Part 20: MES and MSS				
Part 8: GSM base stations	Part 22: VHF aeronautical radios				
Part 9: Wireless Microphones	 Part 23: UMTS (BS) 				
Part 10: CT1, CT1+, CT2	Part 24: UMTS (MS)				
Part 11: FM BC Transmitter	Part 25: CDMA MC (MS)				
 Part 12: Earth Stationary 4 GHz to 30 GHz, Fixed Satellite Service 	Part 26: CDMA MC (BS)				



Electrical Safety Laboratory



Introduction



The "Low Voltage" tests are used to check whether the electrical and electronic devices comply with the essential requirements set out in European Directives.

These tests are based on national and European standards and are essential for:

Ensure the safety of users and consumers of these products,

Ensure the free movement of products within the market,

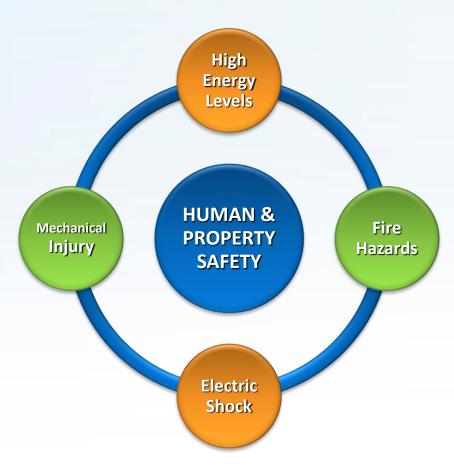
Limit the environmental impact of products on the market.



Introduction



- All products placed on the market must be safe !
 - The product must comply with the design and test requirements of the proper safety standard
 - General Product Safety Directive 2006/95/ CE for Electrical equipment designed for us with a voltage rating [50 – 1000] Volt AC or [75 – 1500] Volt DC



Standardisation

- Large system of European electro technical standards based on international st andards (> 600)
 - Example : EN 60950-1 "Information technology equipment Safety Part I : General requirements"
- Reduction of risk of injury or damage due to
 - Electric shock
 - Energy related hazards
 - **Fire**
 - Heat related hazards
 - Mechanical hazards
 - Radiation
 - Chemical hazards







Tests and requirements

- Measure of ground resistance,
- Verification of resistance to moisture,
- Testing of electrical insulation and dielectric strength,
- Measure of leakage/ touch currents,
 - Checking screw connections
 - Measurement of creepage distances and isolation,
 - Endurance tests,
 - Measuring the temperature rise of the apparatus,
 - Abnormal operating and fault conditions analysis,
 - Test of the resistance to heat, fire and tracking currents,
 - Connection to telecommunication networks





So these tests called "electrical safety" is not only limited to electrical testing, but also cover thermal and mechanical aspects.

Some of the "low voltage" tests are destructive, at the end of testing the device under test "DUT" may no longer be operational.

Access to energized parts: Used Equipments



Rigid Test finger (2A)



Jointed Test finger (2A)





2C – Test probe





Resistance of earthing conductors Used Equipments



DC power supply,
Multimeter,
Milliohmmeter.









Humidity conditioning Used test equipements



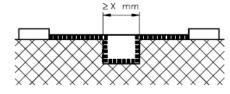
Climatic chamber





Clearances, creepage distances and distances through insulation





Candition: Path under consideration includes a parallel-sided groave of any depth, and equal to or more than X mm wide.

Rule: CLEARANCE is the "line of sight" distance. CREEPAGE DISTANCE path follows the contour of the groove.

Clearance Clearance distance

calipers

Micrometer

optical comparator

games chocks

test finger







Electric strength Used Equipements



- dielectric strength tester
- With accessories:

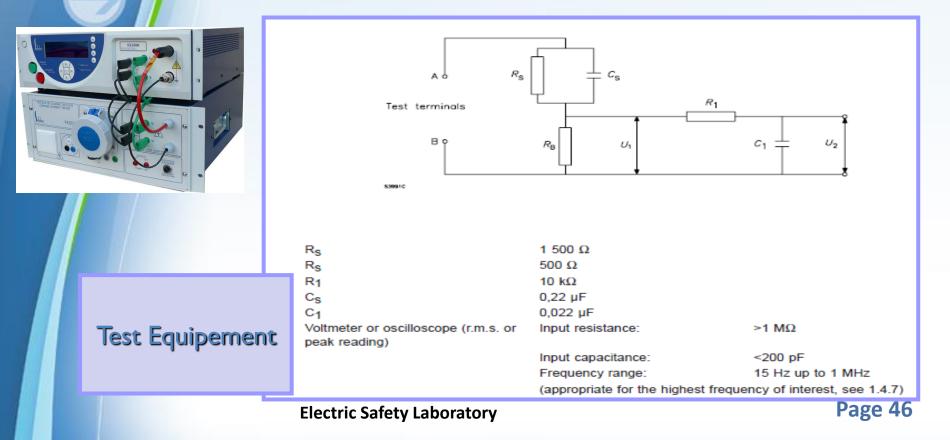






Touch current and protective conductor current

None of the values measured shall exceed the relevant limits in table 5A of this standard,





Steady force tests- Used equipements



Dynamometer,
 Test finger,





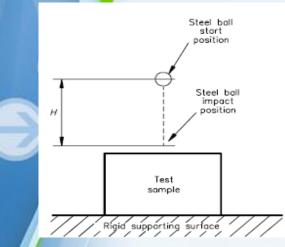
Circular flat surface of 30mm diameter,

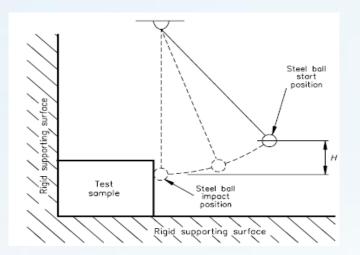


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Impact test









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Prescriptions thermiques Matériels utilisés

Recording thermomet

Rhermocouples,

Oven or climatic chamber,

Multimeter,

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Electric Safety Laboratory







To declare the conformance of a wireless product, the requirements of R&TTE-, EMC- and Low Voltage-Directive needed to be tested.

To follow this requirements an combination of Testsystems are required.

New Approach – necessary infrastructure

- Metrology
- Standardization
- Accreditation
- Authority to designate notified bodies
- Notified bodies
- Conformity assessment
- Sector authorities
- Market surveillance



JAPAN



		Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
€	EMC Requirement	The Voluntary Control Council for Interference by Information Technology Equipment (VCCI)	VCCI V-3 report required	Product dependent some madatory certification some via Declaration of Conformity (DoC)
	Safety (Electrical) Requirement	Product Safety Electrical Appliance & Material (PSE)	IEC report with Japanese deviations (under CB Scheme)	DoC based on report and Construction File (CF)
	Radio Requirement	Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MiC)	Report required proving conformity to Japanese Radio Law and ordinances	MiC Conformity Assessment Body (CAB) review, leading to certification
	Telecoms Requirement	MiC	Report required to prove conformity to Japanese Telecoms	MiC CAB review leading to certification



SOUTH KOREA



	Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
EMC Requirement	Radio Research Agency (RRA)	Required	For non-radio or non- telecoms products, the Korean Certification (KC) Mark certification can be obtained using ILAC accredited EU EMC Reports
Safety (Electrical) Requirement	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy (MOCIE)	A CB Scheme report is accepted but only part covers eK requirement so samples will need to be provided	Most AC powered and some DC powered products require eK Mark Certification
Radio Requirement	RRA	Mandatory In Country Testing	KC Certification
Telecoms Requirement	RRA	Mandatory In Country Testing	KC Certification



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		Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
e	EMC Requirement	Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações (ANATEL)	In Country Testing	ANATEL Certification
	Safety (Electrical) Requirement	The National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality (INMETRO)	Product Dependent, CB Reports can be used	INMETRO Certification
	Radio Requirement	ANATEL	In Country Testing	ANATEL Certification
	Telecoms Requirement	ANATEL	In Country Testing	ANATEL Certification



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SAUDIA ARABIA



		Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
e	Safety (Electrical) Requirement	MB Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organisation (SASO)	CB Scheme	
	Radio Requirement	Communications and Information Technology Commission (CITC)	EU Test Reports	CITC Certification
	Telecoms Requirement	CITC	EU Test Reports	CITC Certification



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Australia



		Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
)(EMC Requirement	AustralianCommunications and Media Authority (ACMA)	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	Declaration of Comformity (DoC) for Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM). Supported by Technical Construction File
	Safety (Electrical) Requirement	Electrical Regulatory Authorities Council (ERAC)	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	For most products DoC, but please check with us
	Radio Requirement	ACMA	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	Doc for RCM. Supported by Technical Construction File
	Telecoms Requirement	ACMA	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	Doc for RCM. Supported by Technical Construction File

Please be aware you will need a representative in Australia



New Zeland



	Regulator	Mandatory Testing	Accepted Route
EMC Requirement	Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	Declaration of Comformity (DoC) for Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM). Supported by Technical Construction File
Safety (Electrical) Requirement	Electrical Regulatory Authorities Council (ERAC)	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	For most products DOC (please check with our approvals experts)
Radio Requirement	ACMA	AS/NZS (or equivalent) Report	Doc for RCM. Supported by Technical Construction File
Telecoms Requirement	Telecoms NZ	For the majority of products PTC (or equivalent)	Telepermit Certification

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