Amendments of regulation No. 94 regarding electric safety (clean document)

The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from France in order to extend the scope of the present Regulation to all kinds of power train systems above a certain working voltage level. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation R 94 are based on informal document No. GRSP- 46-04, distributed during the forty sixth session of the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) and discussions made at the 3rd EVPC adhoc group meeting held in Bonn, 11-12 march 2010, respectively. This informal document supersedes document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2010/20 distributed as an official document for the forty-seventh session of the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP). The modifications to the existing text of Regulation No. 94 are originally marked in bold or strikethrough characters and the modifications resulting form the EVPC meeting are highlighted in grey colour.

Additional amendments and corrections were introduced for clarification to take into account remarks received, in order to have one consolidated document. Modifications to the existing text GRSP 47-02/Rev.1 are deleted or marked in italic characters and highlighted in grey colour. Additional justifications are provided at the end of the document.

I. Proposal

Contents, insert a new Annex 11, to read:

"

<u>Annex 11</u> - Test Procedures for the protection of the occupants of vehicles operating on electrical power from high voltage and electrolyte spillage.

Appendix 1 – Jointed Test Finger (IPXXB)"

Paragraph 2.6.4., amend to read:

2.6.4 "The siting (front, rear or centre) and the orientation (transversal or longitudinal) of the engine, in so far as they have a negative effect on the result of the impact test procedure as prescribed in this Regulation."

Insert new paragraph 2.6.7., to read:

"2.6.7. The locations of the RESS, in so far as they have a negative effect on the result of the impact test prescribed in this Regulation,"



Paragraph 2.7., amend to read:

"2.7. Passenger compartment"

Insert a new paragraph 2.7.1., to read:

"2.7.1. "Passenger compartment with regard to occupant protection" means the space for occupant accommodation, bounded by the roof, floor, side walls, doors, outside glazing and front bulkhead and the plane of the rear compartment bulkhead or the plane of the rear-seat back support

Insert a new paragraph 2.7.2., to read:

"2.7.2. "Passenger compartment for electric safety assessment" means the space for occupant accommodation, bounded by the roof, floor, side walls, doors, outside glazing, front bulkhead and rear bulkhead, or rear gate, as well as by the electrical protection barriers and enclosures provided for protecting the power train from direct contact with high voltage live parts."

<u>Insert new paragraphs 2.15. to 2.34.</u>, as renumbered, to read:

- 2.15. "High Voltage" means the classification of an electric component or circuit, if its working voltage is > 60 V and $\leq 1500 \text{ V}$ direct current (DC) or > 30 V and $\leq 1000 \text{ V}$ alternating current (AC) root mean square (rms),
- 2.16. "Rechargeable energy storage system (RESS)" means the rechargeable energy storage system which provides electrical energy for propulsion,
- 2.17. <u>"Electrical Protection Barrier"</u> means the part providing protection against any direct contact to the high voltage live parts,
- 2.18. "<u>Electrical power train</u>" means the electrical circuit which includes the traction motor(s), and may also include the RESS, the electrical energy conversion system, the electronic converters, the associated wiring harness and connectors, and the coupling system for charging the RESS,
- "Live parts" means conductive part(s) intended to be electrically energized in normal use,
- 2.20. "<u>Exposed conductive part</u>" means the conductive part which can be touched under the provisions of the protection IPXXB, and which becomes electrically energized under isolation failure conditions,
- 2.21. "<u>Direct contact</u>" means the contact of persons with high voltage live parts,
- 2.22. "Indirect contact" means the contact of persons with exposed conductive parts,
- 2.23. "Protection IPXXB" means protection from contact with high voltage live parts provided by either an electrical protection barrier or an enclosure and tested using a Jointed Test Finger (IPXXB) as described in paragraph 4 of Annex 11,
- 2.24. <u>"Working voltage"</u> means the highest value of an electrical circuit voltage root-mean-square (rms), specified by the manufacturer, which may occur between any conductive parts in open circuit conditions or under normal operating conditions. If the electrical circuit is divided by galvanic isolation, the working voltage is defined for each divided circuit, respectively,

- 2.25. "Coupling system for charging the rechargeable energy storage system (RESS)" means the electrical circuit used for charging the RESS from an external electrical power supply including the vehicle inlet,
- 2.26. "<u>Electrical chassis</u>" means a set made of conductive parts electrically linked together, whose electrical potential is taken as reference,
- 2.27. "<u>Electrical circuit</u>" means an assembly of connected high voltage live parts which is designed to be electrically energized in normal operation,
- 2.28. "<u>Electrical energy conversion system</u>" means a system (e.g. fuel cell) that generates and provides electrical energy for electrical propulsion,
- 2.29. "<u>Electronic converter</u>" means a device capable of controlling and/or converting electrical power for electrical propulsion,
- 2.30. "<u>Enclosure</u>" means the part enclosing the internal units and providing protection against any direct contact,
- 2.31. "<u>High Voltage Bus</u>" means the electrical circuit, including the coupling system for charging the RESS that operates on a high voltage,
- 2.32. "Solid insulator" means the insulating coating of wiring harnesses, provided in order to cover and prevent the high voltage live parts from any direct contact. This includes covers for insulating the high voltage live parts of connectors; and varnish or paint for the purpose of insulation,
- 2.33. "<u>Automatic disconnect</u>" means a device that when triggered, galvanically separates the electrical energy sources from the rest of the high voltage circuit of the electrical power train,"
- 2.34. "Open type traction battery" means a type of battery requiring liquid and generating hydrogen gas released to the atmosphere."

<u>Insert a new paragraph 3.2.6.</u>, to read:

"3.2.6. A general description of the electrical power source type, location and the electrical power train (e.g. hybrid, electric)."

Paragraph 5.2., amend to read:

"5.2. Specifications

The test...at the same time.

Additionally, vehicles equipped with electric power train shall meet the requirements of paragraph 5.2.8. This can be met by a separate impact test at the request of the manufacturer and after validation by the Technical Service, provided that the electrical components do not influence the occupant protection performance of the vehicle type as defined in paragraphs 5.2.1. to 5.2.5. of this Regulation. In case of this condition the requirements of paragraph 5.2.8 shall be checked in accordance with the methods set out in annex 3 to this Regulation, except paragraphs 2., 5. and 6. in Annex 3. But a dummy corresponding to the specifications for Hybrid III 1/ fitted with a 45° ankle and meeting the specifications for its adjustment shall be installed in each of the front outboard seats"

Insert new paragraphs 5.2.8. to 5.2.8.3., to read:

"5.2.8. Following the test conducted in accordance with the procedure defined in Annex 3 to this Regulation, the electrical power train operating on high voltage, and the high voltage components and systems, which are galvanically connected to the high voltage bus of the electric power train, shall meet the following requirements:

5.2.8.1. Protection against electrical shock

After the impact at least one of the four criteria specified in paragraph 5.2.8.1.1. through paragraph 5.2.8.1.4.2. shall be met.

If the vehicle has an automatic disconnect function, or device(s) that galvanically divide the electric power train circuit during driving condition, at least one of the following criteria shall apply to the disconnected circuit or to each divided circuit individually after the disconnect function is activated.

However criteria defined in 5.2.8.1.4. shall not apply if more than a single potential of a part of the high voltage bus is not protected under the conditions of protection IPXXB.

In the case that the test is performed under the condition that part(s) of the high voltage system are not energized, the protection against electrical shock shall be proved by either 5.2.8.1.3. or 5.2.8.1.4. for the relevant part(s).

5.2.8.1.1. Absence of high voltage

The voltages Vb, V1 and V2 of the high voltage buses shall be equal or less than 30 VAC or 60 VDC as specified in Annex 11 paragraph 2.

5.2.8.1.2. Low electrical energy

The total energy (TE) on the high voltage buses shall be less than 2.0 Joules when measured according to the test procedure as specified in paragraph 3 of Annex 11 with the formula (a). Alternatively the total energy (TE) may be calculated by the measured voltage Vb of the high voltage bus and the capacitance of the X-capacitors (C_x) specified by the manufacturer according to 3 formula (b) of paragraph 3 of Annex.

The energy stored in the Y-capacitors (TE_{y1} , TE_{y2}) shall also be less than 2.0 Joules. This shall be calculated by measuring the voltages V1 and V2 of the high voltage buses and the electrical chassis, and the capacitance of the Y-capacitors specified by the manufacturer according to formulas (c) of paragraph 3 of Annex 11.

5.2.8.1.3. Physical protection

For protection against direct contact with high voltage live parts, the protection IPXXB shall be provided.

In addition, for protection against electrical shock which could arise from indirect contact, the resistance between all exposed conductive parts and the electrical chassis shall be lower than 0.1 ohm when there is current flow of at least 0.2 amperes.

This requirement is satisfied if the galvanic connection has been made by welding.

5.2.8.1.4. Isolation resistance

The criteria specified in the paragraphs 5.2.8.1.4.1. and 5.2.8.1.4.2. below shall be met.

The measurement shall be conducted in accordance with paragraph 5 of Annex 11

5.2.8.1.4.1. Electrical power train consisting of separate DC- or AC-buses

If the AC high voltage buses and the DC high voltage buses are galvanically isolated from each other, isolation resistance between the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (Ri, as defined in paragraph 5 of Annex 11) shall have a minimum value of 100 Ω /volt of the working voltage for DC buses, and a minimum value of 500 Ω /volt of the working voltage for AC buses.

5.2.8.1.4.2. Electrical power train consisting of combined DC- and AC-buses

If the AC high voltage buses and the DC high voltage buses are galvanically connected isolation resistance between the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (Ri, as defined in paragraph 5 of Annex 11) shall have a minimum value of $500~\Omega/\text{volt}$ of the working voltage.

However, if the protection IPXXB is satisfied for all AC high voltage buses or the AC voltage is equal or less than 30 V after the vehicle impact, the isolation resistance between the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (Ri, as defined in paragraph 5 of Annex 11) shall have a minimum value of $100 \Omega/volt$ of the working voltage.

5.2.8.2. Electrolyte spillage

In the period from the impact until 30 minutes after no electrolyte from the RESS shall spill into the passenger compartment and no more than 7 per cent of electrolyte shall spill from the RESS except open type traction batteries outside the passenger compartment. For open type traction batteries no more than 7 per cent with a maximum of 5.0 liters shall spill outside the passenger compartment.

The manufacturer shall demonstrate compliance in accordance with paragraph 6 of Annex 11.

5.2.8.3. RESS retention

RESS located inside the passenger compartment shall remain in the location in which they are installed and RESS components shall remain inside RESS boundaries.

No part of any RESS that is located outside the passenger compartment for electric safety assessment shall enter the passenger compartment during or after the impact test.

The manufacturer shall demonstrate compliance in accordance with paragraph 7 of Annex 11."

Insert new paragraphs 11.4. to 11.8., to read:

- "[11.4. As from the official date of entry into force of the 02 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant ECE approval under this Regulation as amended by the 02 series of amendments.
- 11.5. As from [24] months after the entry into force, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant ECE approvals only to those types of vehicle which comply with the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the 02 series of amendments.

Notwithstanding the above, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may [continue to] grant ECE approvals to the 01 series of amendments for an additional [12] months provided that the manufacturer demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the Technical Service, that the vehicle provides equivalent levels of safety to those required by this Regulation as amended by the 02 series of amendments.

- 11.6. As from the date of entry into force, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions to approvals issued to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation. However, as from [24] months after the entry into force of the 02 series of amendments extensions to approvals issued to the previous series of amendments shall not be granted in respect of vehicles having an electrical power train operating on high voltage.
- 11.7. By way of derogation to the obligations of Contracting Parties applying this Regulation, where at the time of entry into force of the 02 series of amendments to this Regulation national requirements exist to address the safety provisions detailed in these amendments, those Contracting Parties may continue to permit the entry into service of vehicles approved to the preceding series of amendments and complying with the specific national requirements applying at that time. This derogation shall cease to be valid [24] months after the entry into force of the 02 series of amendments to this Regulation.
- 11.8. As from [48] months after the entry into force of the 02 series of amendments to this Regulation, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may refuse national or regional type approval and may refuse first national or regional registration (first entry into service) of a vehicle having an electrical power train operating on high voltage which does not meet the requirements of the 02 series of amendments to this Regulation.]"

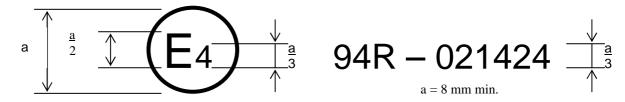
Annex 1, Communication, Insert a new paragraph 5.3., to read:

"5.3. Location of the electrical power source...."

Annex 2, amend to read:

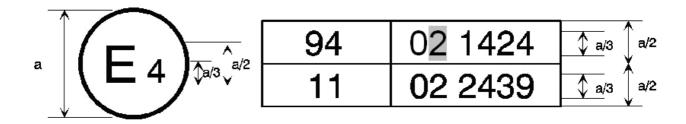
"ARRANGEMENTS OF THE APPROVAL MARK

Model A
(See paragraph 4.4. of this Regulation)



The above approval mark affixed to a vehicle shows that the vehicle type concerned has, with regard to the protection of the occupants in the event of a frontal collision, been approved in the Netherlands (E4) pursuant to Regulation No. 94 under approval number 021424. The approval number indicates that the approval was granted in accordance with the requirements of Regulation No. 94 as amended by the 02 series of amendments.

Model B
(See paragraph 4.5. of this Regulation)



a = 8 mm min.

The above approval mark affixed to a vehicle shows that the vehicle type concerned has been approved in the Netherlands (E4) pursuant to Regulations Nos. 94 and $11. \frac{1}{2}$ The first two digits of the approval numbers indicate that, at the dates when the respective approvals were granted, Regulation No. 94 incorporated the 02 series of amendments and Regulation No. 11 incorporated the 02 series of amendments."

 $[\]frac{1}{2}$ The latter number is given only as an example.

Annex 3, Paragraph 1.4.1., amend to read:

"1.4.1. General specification

The test vehicle...under paragraph 6.

It shall be allowed by agreement between manufacturer and Technical Service to modify the fuel system so that an appropriate amount of fuel can be used to run the engine or the electrical energy conversion system."

Paragraph 1.4.2.2., amend to read:

"1.4.2.2. The fuel tank shall be filled with water to mass equal to 90 per cent of the mass of a full load of fuel as specified by the manufacturer with a tolerance of ± 1 per cent;

This requirement does not apply to Hydrogen fuel tanks."

Insert new paragraphs 1.4.4. to 1.4.4.2.2., to read:

- "1.4.4. Electrical power train adjustment
- 1.4.4.1. The RESS shall be at any state of charge, which allows the normal operation of the power train as recommended by the manufacturer.
- 1.4.4.2. The electrical power train shall be energized with or without the operation of the original electrical energy sources (e.g. engine-generator, RESS or electric energy conversion system), however:
- 1.4.4.2.1. by the agreement between Technical Service and manufacturer it shall be permissible to perform the test with all or parts of the electrical power train not being energized insofar as there is no negative influence on the test result. For parts of the electrical power train not energized, the protection against electrical shock shall be proved by either physical protection or isolation resistance and appropriate additional evidence.
- 1.4.4.2.2. in the case where an automatic disconnect is provided, at the request of the manufacturer it shall be permissible to perform the test with the automatic disconnect being triggered. In this case it shall be demonstrated that the automatic disconnect would have operated during the impact test. This includes the automatic activation signal as well as the galvanic separation considering the conditions as seen during the impact."

Insert a new Annex 11 and Appendix 1, to read:

"Annex 11

Test Procedures for the protection of the occupants of vehicles operating on electrical power from high voltage and electrolyte spillage

This section describes test procedures to demonstrate compliance to the electrical safety requirements of paragraph 5.2.8. For example, megohmmeter or oscilloscope measurements are an appropriate alternative to the procedure described below for measuring isolation resistance. In this case it may be necessary to deactivate the on-board isolation resistance monitoring system.

Before the vehicle impact test conducted, the high voltage bus voltage (Vb) (see figure 1) shall be measured and recorded to confirm that it is within the operating voltage of the vehicle as specified by the vehicle manufacturer.

1. Test setup and equipment

If a high voltage disconnect function is used, measurements are to be taken from both sides of the device performing the disconnect function.

However, if the high voltage disconnect is integral to the RESS or the energy conversion system and the high-voltage bus of the RESS or the energy conversion system is protected according to protection IPXXB following the impact test, measurements may only be taken between the device performing the disconnect function and electrical loads.

The voltmeter used in this test shall measure DC values and have an internal resistance of at least 10 M Ω .

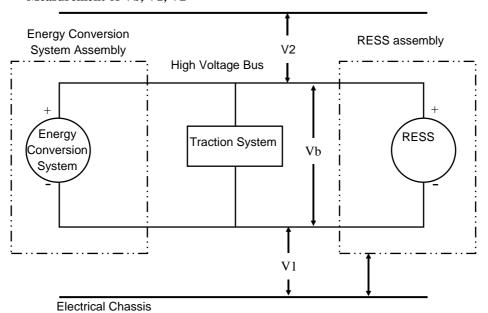
2. The following instructions may be used if voltage is measured.

After the impact test, determine the high voltage bus voltages (Vb, V1, V2) (see figure 1).

The voltage measurement shall be made not earlier than 5 seconds, but, not later than 60 seconds after the impact.

This procedure is not applicable if the test is performed under the condition where the electric power train is not energized.

Figure 1
Measurement of Vb, V1, V2



3. Assessment procedure for low electrical Energy

Prior to the impact a switch S1 and a known discharge resistor Re is connected in parallel to the relevant capacitance (ref. figure 2).

Not earlier than 5 seconds and not later than 60 seconds after the impact the switch S1 shall be closed while the voltage Vb and the current Ie are measured and recorded. The product of the voltage Vb and the current Ie shall be integrated over the period of time, starting from the moment when the switch S1 is closed (t_c) until the voltage Vb falls below the high voltage threshold of 60 V DC (t_h) . The resulting integration equals the total energy (TE) in joules.

(a)
$$TE = \int_{tc}^{th} V_b \times I_e dt$$

When Vb is measured at a point in time between 5 seconds and 60 seconds after the impact and the capacitance of the X-capacitors (C_x) is specified by the manufacturer, total energy (TE) shall be calculated according to the following formula:

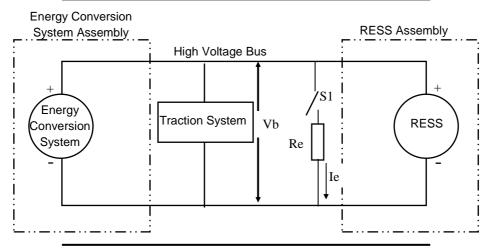
(b)
$$TE = 0.5 \times C_x \times (V_b^2 - 3600)$$

When V1, V2 (see figure 1) are measured at a point in time between 5 seconds and 60 seconds after the impact and the capacitances of the Y-capacitors (C_{y1} , C_{y2}) are specified by the manufacturer, total energy (TE_{y1} , TE_{y2}) shall be calculated according to the following formulas:

(c)
$$TE_{y1} = 0.5 \times C_{y1} \times (V_1^2 - 3600)$$
$$TE_{y2} = 0.5 \times C_{y2} \times (V_2^2 - 3600)$$

This procedure is not applicable if the test is performed under the condition where the electric power train is not energized.

Electrical Chassis



Electrical Chassis

<u>Figure 2</u>: E.g. measurement of high voltage bus energy stored in X-capacitors

4. Physical Protection

Following the vehicle impact test any parts surrounding the high voltage components shall be, without the use of tools, opened, disassembled or removed. All remaining surrounding parts shall be considered part of the physical protection.

The Jointed Test Finger described in Appendix 1 figure 1 shall be inserted into any gaps or openings of the physical protection with a test force of $10 \text{ N} \pm 10$ per cent for electrical safety assessment. If partial or full penetration into the physical protection by the Jointed Test Finger occurs, the Jointed Test Finger shall be placed in every position as specified below.

Starting from the straight position, both joints of the test finger shall be rotated progressively through an angle of up to 90 degrees with respect to the axis of the adjoining section of the finger and shall be placed in every possible position.

Internal electrical protection barriers are considered part of the enclosure

If appropriate a low-voltage supply (of not less than 40 V and not more than 50 V) in series with a suitable lamp should be connected, between the Jointed Test Finger and high voltage live parts inside the electrical protection barrier or enclosure

4.1. Acceptance conditions

The requirements of paragraph 5.2.8.1.3 shall be considered to be met if the Jointed Test Finger described in Appendix 1, figure 1 is unable to contact high voltage live parts. If necessary a mirror or a fiberscope may be used in order to inspect whether the Jointed Test Finger touches the high voltage buses.

If this requirement is verified by a signal circuit between the Jointed Test Finger and high voltage live parts, the lamp shall not light.

5. Isolation resistance

The isolation resistance between the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis may be demonstrated either by measurement or by a combination of measurement and calculation.

The following instructions should be used if the isolation resistance is demonstrated by measurement.

Measure and record the voltage (Vb) between the negative and the positive side of the high voltage bus (see figure 1);

Measure and record the voltage (V1) between the negative side of the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (see figure 1);

Measure and record the voltage (V2) between the positive side of the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (see figure 1);

If V1 is greater than or equal to V2, insert a standard known resistance (Ro) between the negative side of the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis. With Ro installed, measure the voltage (V1') between the negative side of the high voltage bus and the vehicle electrical chassis (see figure 3). Calculate the isolation resistance (Ri) according to the formula shown below.

$$Ri = Ro*(Vb/V1' - Vb/V1)$$
 or $Ri = Ro*Vb*(1/V1' - 1/V1)$

Divide the result Ri, which is the electrical isolation resistance value (in Ω), by the working voltage of the high voltage bus in volt (V).

 $Ri \Omega / V = Ri \Omega / Working voltage (V)$

Electrical Chassis

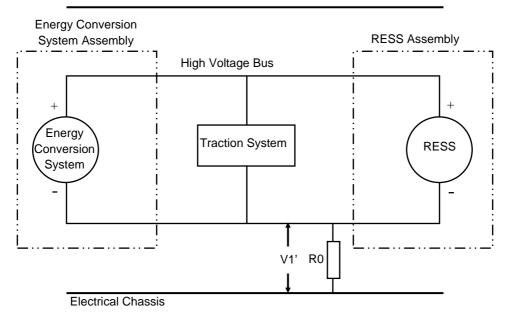


Figure 3: Measurement of V1'

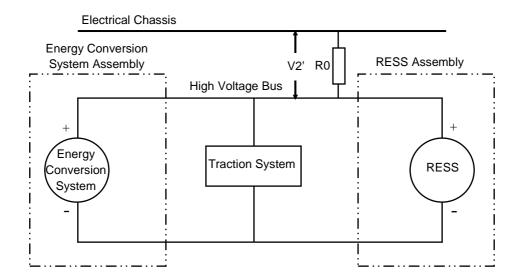
If V2 is greater than V1, insert a standard known resistance (Ro) between the positive side of the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis. With Ro installed, measure the voltage (V2') between the positive side of the high voltage bus and the electrical chassis (see figure 4).

Calculate the isolation resistance (Ri) according to the formula shown below.

$$Ri = Ro*(Vb/V2' - Vb/V2)$$
 or $Ri = Ro*Vb*(1/V2' - 1/V2)$

Divide the result Ri, which is the electrical isolation resistance value (in Ω), by the working voltage of the high voltage bus in volt (V).

 $Ri \Omega / V = Ri \Omega / Working voltage V$



Electrical Chassis

Figure 4: Measurement of V2'

Note 1: The standard known resistance Ro (in Ω) should be the value of the minimum required isolation resistance (in Ω /V) multiplied by the working voltage of the vehicle plus/minus 20 per cent (Volt). Ro is not required to be precisely this value since the equations are valid for any Ro; however, an Ro value in this range should provide a good resolution for the voltage measurements.

6. Electrolyte spillage

Appropriate coating shall be applied, if necessary, to the physical protection in order to confirm any electrolyte leakage from the RESS after the impact test.

Unless the manufacturer provides means to differentiate between the leakage of different liquids, all liquid leakage shall be considered as the electrolyte.

7. RESS retention

Compliance shall be determined by visual inspection

<u>Appendix 1</u> JOINTED TEST FINGER (IPXXB)

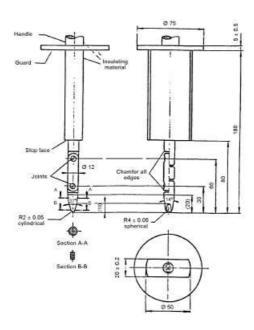


Figure 1: Jointed test finger

Material: metal, except where otherwise specified

Linear dimensions in millimeters

Tolerances on dimensions without specific tolerance:

- (a) on angles: $0/-10^{\circ}$
- (b) on linear dimensions: up to 25 mm: 0/-0.05 mm over 25 mm: \pm 0.2 mm

Both joints shall permit movement in the same plane and the same direction through an angle of 90° with a 0 to $+10^\circ$ tolerance."