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This document specifies the minimum requirements for the design qualification and type approval of concentrator photovoltaic (CPV) modules and assemblies suitable for long-term operation in general open-air climates as defined in IEC 60721-2-1. The test sequence is partially based on that specified in IEC 61215-1 for the design qualification and type approval of flat-plate terrestrial crystalline silicon PV modules. However, some changes have been made to account for the special features of CPV receivers and modules, particularly with regard to the separation of on-site and in-lab tests, effects of tracking alignment, high current density, and rapid temperature changes, which have resulted in the formulation of some new test procedures or new requirements.

The object of this test document is to determine the electrical, mechanical, and thermal characteristics of the CPV modules and assemblies and to show, as far as possible within reasonable constraints of cost and time, that the CPV modules and assemblies are capable of withstanding prolonged exposure in climates described in the scope. The actual life of CPV modules and assemblies so qualified will depend on their design, production, environment, and the conditions under which they are operated.

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1 Domaine d'application

Le présent document spécifie les exigences minimales relatives à la qualification de la conception et l'homologation des modules et ensembles photovoltaïques à concentration (CPV - *concentrator photovoltaic*) pour une utilisation de longue durée dans les climats généraux d'air libre, comme cela est défini dans l'IEC 60721-2-1. La séquence d'essais est partiellement issue de celle spécifiée dans l'IEC 61215-1 pour la qualification de la conception et l'homologation des modules PV au silicium cristallin pour application terrestre à plaque plane. Certaines modifications ont cependant été effectuées pour tenir compte des particularités des récepteurs et modules CPV, en particulier en ce qui concerne la séparation des essais sur site et en laboratoire, les effets de la répartition, de la densité de courant élevée et des variations rapides de température, qui ont entraîné la formulation de certaines nouvelles procédures d'essai ou exigences.

Le présent document d'essai a pour objet de déterminer les caractéristiques électriques, mécaniques et thermiques des modules et ensembles CPV et de montrer, autant que possible avec des contraintes de coût et de temps raisonnables, que les modules et ensembles CPV peuvent supporter une exposition prolongée aux climats définis dans le domaine d'application. La durée de vie réelle des modules et ensembles CPV ainsi qualifiés dépend de leur conception, de leur production ainsi que de l'environnement et des conditions dans lesquelles ils fonctionnent.

Le présent document doit être utilisé conjointement avec les lignes directrices de contre-essai décrites à l'Annexe B.

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IEC 61210:2010, *Dispositifs de connexion – Bornes plates à connexion rapide pour conducteurs électriques en cuivre – Exigences de sécurité*

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