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- a) Modification of terms and technical requirements concerning geometrical characteristics to be consistent with IEC 60404-9:2018;
- b) Insertion of Table 3 – Tolerances on nominal thickness;
- c) Change of the length of the test specimen for determination of geometrical characteristics from 2 m to 1 m;
- d) Deletion of Annex A with the European numerical system of designation of steels.

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INTRODUCTION

TC 68 followed the recommendation of the maintenance inquiry, 68/649/INF, to revise this standard in order to maintain consistency with other standard adaptations of the IEC 60404 series. Moreover, the revision is made mainly regarding testing and definitions of geometrical characteristics in accordance with IEC 60404-9. The length of the test specimen for determination of geometrical characteristics is changed from 2 m to 1 m. The term of "flatness" is divided into "edge wave (wave factor)" and "residual curvature". This revision also includes corrections in order to improve consistency with other IEC 60404-8 series. For example, the supply in the form of coils is considered before the supply in sheets, which reflects the current priority.

As the final annealing of cold-rolled non-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet delivered in the semi-processed state is the responsibility of the user, attention is drawn to the importance of this treatment for the properties of the product.

For this reason the magnetic properties in Table 1 and Table 2 are given for a reference condition (see 7.1.1) obtained by a suitable heat treatment. To ensure that the properties in use are equivalent to those specified, it is important that the heat treatment carried out by the user is equivalent to that used to define the reference condition.

It is recognised that these products can be used in the semi-processed state, in which case the magnetic properties are not subject to the specifications of this document.

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60404 defines the grades of cold-rolled non-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet delivered in the semi-processed state in nominal thicknesses of 0,47 mm, 0,50 mm, 0,64 mm, 0,65 mm and 0,79 mm. It gives general requirements, magnetic properties, geometric characteristics, tolerances and technical characteristics as well as inspection procedures. The nominal thicknesses of 0,47 mm, 0,64 mm and 0,79 mm apply to the grades for use at 60 Hz only.

This document applies to cold-rolled non-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet delivered in the semi-processed state, i.e. without final heat treatment, in coils or sheets, and intended for the construction of magnetic circuits. This document does not apply to materials supplied in the fully-processed state.

These materials correspond respectively to classes B2 and C21 of IEC 60404-1.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-121, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 121: Electromagnetism*

IEC 60050-221, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Chapter 221: Magnetic materials and components*

IEC 60404-2, *Magnetic materials – Part 2: Methods of measurement of the magnetic properties of electrical steel sheet and strip by means of an Epstein frame*

IEC 60404-9, *Magnetic materials – Part 9: Methods of determination of the geometrical characteristics of electrical steel strip and sheet*

IEC 60404-13, *Magnetic materials – Part 13: Methods of measurement of resistivity, density and stacking factor of electrical steel strip and sheet*

ISO 404, *Steel and steel products – General technical delivery requirements*

ISO 10474:1991, *Steel and steel products – Inspection documents*

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IEC 60404-8-4, *Magnetic materials – Part 8-4: Specifications for individual materials – Cold-rolled non-oriented electrical steel strip and sheet delivered in the fully-processed state*

ASTM A34/A34M, *Standard Practice for Sampling and Procurement Testing of Magnetic Materials*
