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## INTRODUCTION

The blades of a wind turbine rotor are generally regarded as one of the most critical components of the wind turbine system. In this International Standard, a minimum set of requirements for the design and manufacturing of wind turbine blades are defined.

An approach to a structural design process for the blade is set forth in the general areas of blade characteristics, aerodynamic design, material requirements and structural design. Furthermore, in order to efficiently facilitate the transfer of a blade design to the production environment, this document includes demands for designing for manufacturing.

The requirements for structural design of the wind turbine blade have been developed in a manner to reward innovation, validation, quality and testing. Specifically, the designer will be able claim lower partial safety factors based on, among other items, the diligence of the validation of models and the correlation to testing results.

To ensure a production environment that can facilitate the manufacturing of a blade in accordance with the design, the manufacturing requirements included in this document provide a minimum basis for a quality management system and workshop requirements. In addition, requirements for blade handling, operation and maintenance are described in the close of this document.

## WIND ENERGY GENERATION SYSTEMS –

### Part 5: Wind turbine blades

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61400 specifies requirements to ensure the engineering integrity of wind turbine blades as well as an appropriate level of operational safety throughout the design lifetime. It includes requirements for:

- aerodynamic and structural design,
- material selection, evaluation and testing,
- manufacture (including associated quality management),
- transportation, installation, operation and maintenance of the blades.

The purpose of this document is to provide a technical reference for designers, manufacturers, purchasers, operators, third party organizations and material suppliers, as well as to define requirements for certification.

With respect to certification, this document provides the detailed basis for fulfilling the current requirements of the IECRE system, as well as other IEC standards relevant to wind turbine blades. When used for certification, the applicability of each portion of this document should be determined based on the extent of certification, and associated certification modules per the IECRE system.

The rotor blade is defined as all components integrated in the blade design, excluding removable bolts in the blade root connection and support structures for installation.

This document is intended to be applied to rotor blades for all wind turbines. For rotor blades used on small wind turbines according to IEC 61400-2, the requirements in that document are applicable.

At the time this document was written, most blades were produced for horizontal axis wind turbines. The blades were mostly made of fiber reinforced plastics. However, most principles given in this document would be applicable to any rotor blade configuration, size and material.

#### 2 Normative references

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