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- a) revision of the requirements for the test chamber;
- b) revision of the severities and including the dew point temperatures;
- c) change of the temperature tolerances of the test to limits;
- d) inclusion of a specified preconditioning procedure;
- e) inclusion of a new figure for clarification purposes;

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## INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 60068 provides a test method of high humidity at constant temperature without condensation on the specimen over a specified period. This test is performed to evaluate the specimen as it is influenced by the absorption and diffusion of moisture and moisture vapour.

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## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60068 establishes a test method for determining the ability of components or equipment to withstand transportation, storage and use under conditions of high humidity.

The object of this document is to investigate the effect of high humidity at constant temperature without condensation on a specimen over a specified period.

It is applicable to small equipment or components as well as large equipment and can be applied to both heat-dissipating and non-heat-dissipating specimens.

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