

INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION

**IEC SCHEME FOR CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS FOR ELECTRICAL
EQUIPMENT FOR EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEX SCHEME)**

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Introduction

This document contains updated details relating to the IECEX Working Groups and IECEX Adhoc Working Group. This document supersedes ExMC/06B/Inf.

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Technical Revision of IECEX Scheme Rules

Working Group 1 is involved in the ongoing technical revision of the IECEX Scheme rules. The revision of these rules can now be based on the experience gained during the early operational stages of the scheme. Working Group 1 will report back to the ExMC at the next annual meeting.

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Working Group 2

Development of Technical Guidance Documents (TGD)

WG 2 performs the role of a maintenance team revising TGDs as new standards, and new editions of the standards, are issued. This being in line with decisions made at previous ExMC Meetings The following target dates having been assigned:

- *Ex q FR by end 1999
- *Ex o FR by end 1999
- *Ex m AU by end 1999 (awaiting TC 31 mtg outcome)
- *Dusts 61241-1-1 AU Draft completed and passed to WG 2 Convenor
- *Ex p GB by end 1999 (await TC 31 mtg outcome)
- *Ex n GB by end 1999 (await TC 31 mtg outcome)
- *Gas Detector 1779 1-5 DE to confirm thru ExMC Secretary
- *Ex i (Revision) WG 2 Convenor to consider

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Technical Reference Group for Assessment of ACBs and ExTLs

Working Group 4 is a reference group set up to assist Assessment teams during the course of their assessment work. The WG acts under the direction of the Chairman of the Assessing Panel, Mr W Shao. The work is ongoing. Working Group 4 will report back to the ExMC at the next annual meeting.

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Assessment and Audit of Manufacturer's Quality systems

Working Group 5 has been set up to prepare a document and related check list to be used by ACBs in the assessment and audit of manufacturer's quality systems. Guidance for manufacturers on the content of the quality plan will be a further output of this WG

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Design for an IECEX Certificate of Conformity

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