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NON-SOLID ELECTROLYTE**

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE

This specification defines the general requirements for the qualification, qualification maintenance, procurement, and delivery of non-solid electrolyte, fixed, tantalum capacitors for space applications. This specification contains the appropriate inspection and test schedules and also specifies the data documentation requirements.

1.2 APPLICABILITY

This specification is primarily applicable to the granting of qualification approval to components qualified in accordance with one of the following ESCC methods:

- Qualification of Standard Components per ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#).
- Technology Flow Qualification per ESCC Basic Specification No. [25400](#).

It is also primarily applicable to the procurement of components so qualified.

This specification may also be applied to the procurement of unqualified components, recommendations for which are given in ESCC Basic Specification No. [23100](#).

2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents form part of, and shall be read in conjunction with, this specification. The relevant issues shall be those in effect on the date of starting qualification or placing the Purchase Order.

2.1 ESCC SPECIFICATIONS

- No. [20100](#), Requirements for the Qualification of Standard Electronic Components for Space Application.
- No. [20500](#), External Visual Inspection.
- No. [20600](#), Preservation, Packaging and Dispatch of ESCC Components.
- No. [21300](#), Terms, Definitions, Abbreviations, Symbols and Units.
- No. [21700](#), General Requirements for the Marking of ESCC Components.
- No. [22600](#), Requirements for the Evaluation of Standard Electronic Components for Space Application.
- No. [22800](#), ESCC Non-Conformance Control System.
- No. [23100](#), Recommendations on the use of the ESCC Specification System for the Evaluation and Procurement of Unqualified Components.
- No. [23500](#), Lead Materials and Finishes for Components for Space Application.
- No. [24600](#), Minimum Quality System Requirements.
- No. [24800](#), Resistance to Solvents of Marking, Materials and Finishes.
- No. [25400](#), Requirements for the Technology Flow Qualification of Electronic Components for Space Application

For qualification and qualification maintenance or procurement of qualified components, with the exception of ESCC Basic Specifications Nos. [20100](#), [21700](#), [22800](#), [24600](#) and [25400](#), where Manufacturers' specifications are equivalent to, or more stringent than, the ESCC Basic Specifications listed above, they may be used in place of the latter, subject to the approval of the ESCC Executive.

Such replacements shall be clearly identified in the applicable Process Identification Document (PID).

For procurement of unqualified components, where Manufacturers' specifications are equivalent to or more stringent than the ESCC Basic Specifications listed above, they may be used in place of the latter subject to the approval of the Orderer.

Such replacements may be listed in an appendix to the appropriate Detail Specification at the request of the Manufacturer or Orderer, subject to the approval of the ESCC Executive.

Unless otherwise stated herein, references within the text of this specification to "the Detail Specification" shall mean the relevant ESCC Detail Specification.

2.2 OTHER (REFERENCE) DOCUMENTS

- IEC Publication No. 60068 Part 2, Basic Environmental Testing Procedures.
- IEC Publication No. 60384-1 Part 1, Generic Specification for Fixed Capacitors for Use in Electronic Equipment.

2.3 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

For the purpose of interpretation and in case of conflict with regard to documentation, the following order of precedence shall apply:

- (a) ESCC Detail Specification.
- (b) ESCC Generic Specification.
- (c) ESCC Basic Specification.
- (d) Other documents, if referenced herein.

3 TERMS, DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND UNITS

The terms, definitions, abbreviations, symbols and units specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [21300](#) shall apply.

4 REQUIREMENTS

4.1 GENERAL

The requirements for the qualification of a component shall be in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#).

The requirements for Technology Flow Qualification and the listing of qualified component types shall be in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [25400](#).

The test requirements for procurement of both qualified and unqualified components (see Chart F1) shall comprise:

- Special In-Process Controls.
- Screening Tests.
- Periodic Testing (for qualified components only).
- Lot Validation Testing if stipulated in the Purchase Order.

4.1.1 Specifications

For qualification, qualification maintenance, procurement and delivery of components in conformity with this specification, the applicable specifications listed in Section 2 of this document shall apply in total unless otherwise specified herein or in the Detail Specification.

4.1.2 Conditions and Methods of Test

The conditions and methods of test shall be in accordance with this specification, the ESCC Basic Specifications referenced herein and the Detail Specification.

4.1.3 Manufacturer's Responsibility for Performance of Tests and Inspections

The Manufacturer shall be responsible for the performance of tests and inspections required by the applicable specifications. These tests and inspections shall be performed at the plant of the Manufacturer of the components unless it is agreed by the ESCC Executive (for qualification, qualification maintenance, or procurement of qualified components) or the Orderer (for procurement of unqualified components), to use an approved external facility.

4.1.4 Inspection Rights

The ESCC Executive (for qualification, qualification maintenance, or procurement of qualified components) or the Orderer (for procurement of unqualified components if stipulated in the Purchase Order) reserves the right to monitor any of the tests and inspections scheduled in the applicable specifications.

4.2 QUALIFICATION AND QUALIFICATION MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS ON A MANUFACTURER

To obtain and maintain the qualification of a component, or family of components, a Manufacturer shall satisfy the requirements of ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#).

To obtain and maintain the qualification of a component produced using a qualified Technology Flow, a Manufacturer shall satisfy the requirements of ESCC Basic Specification No. [25400](#).

4.3 DELIVERABLE COMPONENTS

4.3.1 ESCC Qualified Components

Components delivered to this specification shall be processed and inspected in accordance with the relevant Process Identification Document (PID).

4.3.2 ESCC Components

Each component, irrespective of qualification status, identified with an ESCC component number and delivered to this specification shall:

- be traceable to its production lot.
- have satisfactorily completed all the tests required by the relevant issues of the applicable specifications.
- be produced from lots that are considered by the Manufacturer to be capable of passing all applicable tests, and sequences of tests, that are defined in Chart F4. The Manufacturer shall not knowingly supply components that cannot meet this requirement. In the event that, subsequent to delivery and prior to operational use, a component is found to be in a condition such that, demonstrably, it could not have passed these tests at the time of manufacture, this shall be grounds for rejection of the delivered lot.

4.3.3 Lot Failure

Lot failure may occur during, Screening Tests (Chart F3), or Qualification, Periodic Testing and Lot Validation Testing (Chart F4).

Should such failure occur during qualification, qualification maintenance or procurement of qualified components the Manufacturer shall initiate the non-conformance procedure in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [22800](#). The Manufacturer shall notify the Orderer and the ESCC Executive by any appropriate written means, within 5 working days, giving details of the number and mode of failure and the suspected cause. No further testing or analysis shall be performed on the failed components until so instructed by the ESCC Executive.

Should such failure occur during procurement of unqualified components the Manufacturer shall notify the Orderer by any appropriate written means within 5 working days, giving details of the number and mode of failure and the suspected cause. No further testing or analysis shall be performed on the failed components until so instructed by the Orderer. The Orderer shall inform the Manufacturer within 5 working days of receipt of notification what action shall be taken.

4.4 MARKING

All components procured and delivered to this specification shall be marked in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [21700](#).

4.5 MATERIALS AND FINISHES

Specific requirements for materials and finishes are specified in the Detail Specification. Where a definite material or finish is not specified a material or finish shall be used so as to ensure that the component meets the performance requirements of this specification and the Detail Specification. Acceptance or approval of any constituent material or finish does not guarantee acceptance of the finished product.

All materials and finishes of the components specified in the Detail Specification shall comply with the restrictions on materials specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [22600](#).

5 PRODUCTION CONTROL

5.1 GENERAL

Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Detail Specification all lots of components used for qualification and qualification maintenance, Lot Validation Testing and for delivery shall be subject to tests and inspections in accordance with Chart F2 in the sequence shown.

Any components which do not meet these requirements shall be removed from the lot and at no future time be resubmitted to the requirements of this specification.

The applicable test requirements are detailed in the paragraphs referenced in Chart F2.

For qualified components the full production control provisions are defined in the PID.

In the case of lot failure, the Manufacturer shall act in accordance with Para. 4.3.3.

5.2 SPECIAL IN-PROCESS CONTROLS

5.2.1 Dimension Check

Dimension Check shall be performed in accordance with Para. 8.4 on 3 samples.

In the event of any failure a 100% Dimension Check shall be performed.

5.2.2 Weight

The maximum weight of the component specified in the Detail Specification shall be guaranteed but not tested.

5.2.3 Documentation

Documentation of Special In-Process Controls shall be in accordance with Para. 9.5.

6 SCREENING TESTS

6.1 GENERAL

Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Detail Specification, all lots of components used for qualification and qualification maintenance, Lot Validation Testing, and for delivery, shall be subjected to tests and inspections in accordance with Chart F3 in the sequence shown.

Any components which do not meet these requirements shall be removed from the lot and at no future time be resubmitted to the requirements of this specification.

The applicable test methods and conditions are specified in the paragraphs referenced in Chart F3.

6.2 FAILURE CRITERIA

6.2.1 Environmental and Mechanical Test Failure

The following shall be counted as component failures:

- Components which fail during tests for which the pass/fail criteria are inherent in the test method, e.g. External Visual Inspection, Seal.

6.2.2 Parameter Limit Failure

A component shall be counted as a limit failure if one or more parameters exceed the limits shown in Room Temperature Electrical Measurements or High and Low Temperatures Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

Any component which exhibits a limit failure prior to the submission to Burn-in shall be rejected and not counted when determining lot rejection.

6.2.3 Other Failures

A component shall be counted as a failure in any of the following cases:

- Visual failure.
- Mechanical failure.
- Handling failure.
- Lost component.

6.3 FAILED COMPONENTS

A component shall be considered as a failed component if it exhibits one or more of the failure modes described in Para. 6.2.

6.4 LOT FAILURE

In the case of lot failure, the Manufacturer shall act in accordance with Para. 4.3.3.

6.4.1 Lot Failure during 100% Testing

If the number of components failed on the basis of the failure criteria specified in Para. 6.2.2 exceeds 5% (rounded upwards to the nearest whole number) of the components submitted to Burn-in of Chart F3, the lot shall be considered as failed.

If a lot is composed of groups of components of one family defined in one ESCC Detail Specification, but separately identifiable for any reason, then the lot failure criteria shall apply separately to each identifiable group.

6.4.2 Lot Failure during Sample Testing

A lot shall be considered as failed if the number of allowable failures during sample testing as specified herein or in the Detail Specification, is exceeded.

Unless otherwise specified, if a lot failure occurs, a 100% testing may be performed but the cumulative percent defective shall not exceed that specified in Para. 6.4.1.

6.5 DOCUMENTATION

Documentation of Screening Tests shall be in accordance with Para. 9.6.

7 QUALIFICATION, QUALIFICATION MAINTENANCE AND LOT VALIDATION TESTING

The requirements of this paragraph are applicable to the tests performed on components or test structures as part of qualification or qualification maintenance in accordance with either ESCC Basic Specification No. 20100 or 25400 as applicable. They are also applicable to Lot Validation Testing as part of the procurement of qualified or unqualified components.

All components shall be serialised prior to the tests and inspections.

7.1 QUALIFICATION TESTING

7.1.1 General

Qualification testing shall be in accordance with the requirements specified in Chart F4. The tests of Chart F4 shall be performed on the specified sample, chosen at random from components which have successfully passed the tests in Chart F3. This sample constitutes the Qualification Test Lot.

The Qualification Test Lot is divided into subgroups of tests and all components assigned to a subgroup shall be subjected to all of the tests in that subgroup, in the sequence shown. The applicable test requirements are detailed in the paragraphs referenced in Chart F4.

The conditions governing qualification testing are specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#).

7.1.2 Distribution within the Qualification Test Lot

Where a Detail Specification covers a range, or series of components that are considered similar, then the Qualification Test Lot shall be comprised of test vehicles so selected that they adequately represent all of the various mechanical, structural and electrical peculiarities of that range or series.

In addition, the Qualification Test Lot test vehicles shall be selected in accordance with the following provisions:

- Components with the maximum and minimum DC rated voltage proposed for qualification shall be selected and for these voltages, the maximum and minimum case sizes. If there are more than 4 sizes an intermediate size shall also be selected.
- For each voltage/case size combination selected, the maximum capacitance and tightest tolerance shall be selected.

The Qualification Test Lot test vehicles may be specified by, but in any case shall be agreed with, the ESCC Executive, prior to the commencement of qualification testing and the justification for the selection shall be declared in the qualification test report.

7.2 QUALIFICATION WITHIN A TECHNOLOGY FLOW

The qualification of a component produced using a qualified Technology Flow shall be in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [25400](#).

7.3 QUALIFICATION MAINTENANCE (PERIODIC TESTING)

Qualification is maintained through Periodic Testing and the test requirements of Para. 7.1 shall apply. For each subgroup, the sample size and the period between successive subgroup testing shall be as specified in Chart F4. The conditions governing qualification maintenance are specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#).

Qualification of a component, produced using a qualified Technology Flow, is maintained by the maintenance of the Technology Flow Qualification itself in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [25400](#).

7.4 LOT VALIDATION TESTING

For procurement of qualified components, Lot Validation Testing is not required and shall only be performed if specifically stipulated in the Purchase Order.

For procurement of unqualified components the need for Lot Validation Testing shall be determined by the Orderer (ref. ESCC Basic Specification No. [23100](#)).

When Lot Validation Testing is required, it shall consist of the performance of one or more of the tests or subgroup test sequences of Chart F4. The testing to be performed and the sample size shall be as stipulated in the Purchase Order.

When procurement of more than one component type is involved from a family, range or series, the selection of representative samples shall also be stipulated in the Purchase Order.

7.5 FAILURE CRITERIA

The following criteria shall apply to Qualification, Periodic Testing and Lot Validation Testing.

7.5.1 Environmental and Mechanical Test Failures

The following shall be counted as component failures:

- Components which fail during tests for which the pass/fail criteria are inherent in the test method, e.g. Terminal Strength, Solderability, etc.

7.5.2 Electrical Failures

The following shall be counted as component failures:

Components which fail one or more of the applicable limits at each of the relevant data points specified for environmental, mechanical and endurance testing in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

7.5.3 Other Failures

A component shall be counted as a failure in any of the following cases:

- Visual failure.
- Mechanical failure.
- Handling failure.
- Lost component.

7.6 FAILED COMPONENTS

A component shall be considered as failed if it exhibits one or more of the failure modes detailed in Para. 7.5.

When requested by the ESCC Executive (for qualification, qualification maintenance or procurement of qualified components) or the Orderer (for procurement of qualified or unqualified components), failure analysis of failed components shall be performed under the responsibility of the Manufacturer and the results provided.

Failed components shall be retained at the Manufacturer's plant until the final disposition has been agreed and certified.

7.7 LOT FAILURE

For Qualification Testing and Periodic Testing, the lot shall be considered as failed if one component in any subgroup of Chart F4 is a failed component based on the criteria specified in Para. 7.5.

For procurement, the lot shall be considered as failed if one component in any test specified for Lot Validation Testing is a failed component based on the criteria specified in Para. 7.5.

In the case of lot failure, the Manufacturer shall act in accordance with Para. 4.3.3.

7.8 QUALIFICATION, PERIODIC TESTING AND LOT VALIDATION TESTING SAMPLES

All tests of Chart F4 are considered to be destructive and therefore components so tested shall not form part of the delivery lot.

7.9 DOCUMENTATION

Documentation of Qualification, Periodic Testing and Lot Validation Testing shall be in accordance with Para. 9.7.

8 TEST METHODS AND PROCEDURES

If a Manufacturer elects to eliminate or modify a test method or procedure, the Manufacturer is still responsible for delivering components that meet all of the performance, quality and reliability requirements defined in this specification and the Detail Specification.

For a qualified component, documentation supporting the change shall be approved by the ESCC Executive and retained by the Manufacturer. It shall be copied, when requested, to the ESCC Executive. The change shall be specified in an appendix to the Detail Specification and in the PID.

For an unqualified component the change shall be approved by the Orderer. The change may be specified in an appendix to the Detail Specification at the request of the Manufacturer or Orderer, subject to the approval of the ESCC Executive.

8.1 ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS

8.1.1 General

Unless otherwise specified in the Detail Specification, the following electrical measurements and methods apply.

8.1.1.1 *DC Leakage Current*

DC Leakage Current shall be measured in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.5.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

(a) Test voltage: U_R for $T_{amb} \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$; U_C $T_{amb} > +85^\circ\text{C}$

NOTES:

1. DC Leakage Current shall always be the first measurement when DC leakage Current, Capacitance and Dissipation Factor measurements are made concurrently

8.1.1.2 Capacitance

Capacitance shall be measured in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.3.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- (a) Test frequency: 100 to 120Hz
- (b) Test voltage:
 - For DC Rated Voltage < 50V: The DC bias shall be 2.1V to 2.5V.
 - For DC Rated Voltage \geq 50V: The DC bias shall be 9V to 10V.
- (c) Magnitude of the AC voltage: shall be 0.1Vpk to 1Vpk. No reversal of DC voltage across the capacitor under test shall occur.
- (d) Required Accuracy: within 2% of the nominal capacitance value.

8.1.1.3 Dissipation Factor

Dissipation Factor shall be measured in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.4.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- (a) Test frequency: 100 to 120Hz
- (b) Test voltage:
 - For DC Rated Voltage < 50V: The DC bias shall be 2.1V to 2.5V.
 - For DC Rated Voltage \geq 50V: The DC bias shall be 9V to 10V.
- (c) Magnitude of the AC voltage: shall be 0.1Vpk to 1Vpk. No reversal of DC voltage across the capacitor under test shall occur.
- (d) Required Accuracy: within 10% of the specified dissipation factor or 0.001 whichever is greater.

8.1.1.4 Voltage Proof

Components shall be subjected to Voltage Proof in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.2.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- (a) Test points: Test C (between body and body insulation sleeving)
- (b) Applied voltage: 1000Vdc
- (c) Duration: 60 \pm 5s.

- Data Points

During testing, the component shall be inspected and there shall be no breakdown or flashover. When the test voltage is applied, the current shall be monitored and shall not exceed 20 μ A.

8.1.1.5 Insulation Resistance

Insulation Resistance shall be measured in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.1.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- (a) Test points: Test C (between body and body insulation sleeving)
- (b) Applied voltage: 500Vdc
- (c) Duration: 60 (+15 -0)s.

8.1.2 Room Temperature Electrical Measurements

Room Temperature Electrical Measurements shall be performed as specified in the Detail Specification.

8.1.3 High and Low Temperatures Electrical Measurements

High and Low Temperatures Electrical Measurements shall be performed as specified in the Detail Specification. Unless otherwise specified, measurements shall be performed on a sample of 5 components from each manufacturing lot with 0 failures allowed. In the event of any failure a 100% inspection may be performed.

8.1.4 Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements

At each of the relevant data points, Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements shall be performed as specified in the Detail Specification. All values obtained shall be recorded against serial numbers and the parameter drift calculated if specified.

8.2 BURN-IN

Components shall be subjected to Burn-in in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 8.5.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Duration: 168 (+24 -0) hours.
 - (b) Temperature: Rated Temperature $\pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$, as specified in the Detail Specification.
 - (c) Applied Voltage: DC Rated Voltage as specified in the Detail Specification.
- Data Points:

On completion of testing the components shall be subjected to standard atmospheric conditions for recovery, for 24 ± 2 hours before being subjected to electrical measurements.

8.3 SEAL (FINE AND GROSS LEAK)

Components shall be subjected to a seal (fine and gross leak) test in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60068-02-17. Body Insulation sleeving shall be removed prior to Seal testing.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Fine leak: Test Qk, sealing tracer gas method with mass spectrometer:
 - Test method 1
 - Tracer gas: Helium
 - Maximum equivalent standard leak rate (air): $1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ atm.cm}^3/\text{s}$
 - (b) Gross leak: Test Qc, container sealing, gas leakage:
 - Test method 2
 - Test liquid temperature: $+126^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+130^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - Test liquid: fluorocarbon, silicon oil, or similar

8.4 EXTERNAL VISUAL INSPECTION AND DIMENSION CHECK

External Visual Inspection shall be performed in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [20500](#).

Dimension Check shall be performed in accordance with ESCC Basic Specification No. [20500](#).

8.5 RAPID CHANGE OF TEMPERATURE

Components shall be subjected to Test Na of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-14.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Low temperature: $T_{amb} = -55^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - (b) High temperature: $T_{amb} = +125^{\circ}\text{C}$
 - (c) Number of cycles: 30
 - (d) Exposure time (each cycle, each temperature): 30 minutes
- Data Points:

Prior to the test and after conditioning at room temperature for 15 minutes, Capacitance shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution). After recovery, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change and Dissipation Factor shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification. Capacitance Change shall be related to the initial measurements.

8.6 VIBRATION

Components shall be subjected to Test Fc of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-6.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Frequency Range: 10Hz to 2000Hz.
 - (b) Amplitude: 1.5mm (peak) or 200m/s^2 whichever is the less severe.
 - (c) Duration: 15 hours minimum in each of the two mutually perpendicular axes (one parallel and the other perpendicular to the cylindrical axis).
 - (d) Mounting: the body and leads of the capacitor shall be rigidly mounted to the test fixture.
 - (e) Bias during testing: 0.5 x DC Rated Voltage
- Data Points
During the final 30 minutes of testing in each axis, an electrical measurement shall be performed to determine intermittent contact, or open or short circuit of $\geq 0.5\text{ms}$.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.7 MECHANICAL SHOCK

Components shall be subjected to Test Ea of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-27.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Pulse shape: half-sine.
 - (b) Peak acceleration: 981m/s².
 - (c) Pulse duration: 6ms.
 - (d) Shock application: 3 in each direction of the three mutually perpendicular axes (18 total).
 - (e) Mounting: the body and leads of the capacitor shall be rigidly mounted to the test fixture.
 - (f) Bias during testing: DC Rated Voltage
- Data Points:

During testing, the component under test shall be observed in order to determine any breakdown or flashover.

During testing, an electrical measurement shall be performed to determine intermittent contact, or open or short circuit of ≥ 0.5 ms.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, breakdown, flashover, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.8 CLIMATIC SEQUENCE

Components shall be subjected to Climatic sequence in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 8.2.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply.

8.8.1 Initial Measurements

DC Leakage Current, Capacitance and Dissipation Factor shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

8.8.2 Dry Heat

Components shall be subjected to Test Bb of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-2.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Temperature: $T_{amb} = +125^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (b) Duration: 16 hours.
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

On completion of testing the components shall be subjected to standard atmospheric conditions for recovery, for not less than 4 hours before being subjected to Damp Heat (First Cycle).

8.8.3 Damp Heat (First Cycle)

Components shall be subjected to Test Db, Severity b (+55°C), Variant 2, of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-30.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Number of cycles: 1
 - (b) Cycle Duration: 24 hours
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

The components shall then be immediately subjected to Cold.

8.8.4 Cold

Components shall be subjected to Test Ab of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-1.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Temperature: $T_{amb} = -55^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (b) Duration: 2 hours.
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

On completion of testing the components shall be subjected to standard atmospheric conditions for recovery, for not less than 4 hours before being subjected to Low Air Pressure.

8.8.5 Low Air Pressure

Components shall be subjected to Test M of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-13.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Pressure: $2 \pm 0.2\text{kPa}$
 - (b) Temperature: $T_{amb} = +22 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (c) Duration: 6 minutes.
- Data Points:

During the final minute of testing, DC Rated Voltage shall be applied to the components under test and they shall be observed in order to determine any breakdown or flashover.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, breakdown, flashover, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

On completion of testing the components shall immediately be subjected to Damp Heat (Remaining Cycles).

8.8.6 Damp Heat (Remaining Cycles)

Components shall be subjected to Test Db, Severity b (+55°C), Variant 2, of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-30.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Number of cycles: 5
 - (b) Cycle Duration: 24 hours
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.8.7 Final Measurements

After recovery, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change and Dissipation Factor shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification. Capacitance Change shall be related to the initial measurements.

8.9 RESISTANCE TO SOLDERING HEAT

Components shall be subjected to Test Tb of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-20.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Test method: 1B (solder bath at +350 ±10°C).
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.10 DAMP HEAT, STEADY STATE

Components shall be subjected to Test Cab of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-78.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions
 - (a) Temperature: $T_{amb} = +40 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (b) Relative humidity: $93 \pm 3\%$.
 - (c) Duration: 56 days.
 - (d) Operating condition: No load.
- Data Points
Prior to the test, Capacitance shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, corrosion, obliteration of marking, breakdown, flashover, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

After recovery, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change, Dissipation Factor, Voltage Proof and Insulation Resistance shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

8.11 COLD

Components shall be subjected to Test Ab of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-1.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions
 - (a) Temperature: $T_{amb} = -55 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (b) Duration: 72 hours.
- Data Points:
On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

After recovery, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change and Dissipation Factor shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification. Capacitance Change shall be related to the final measurements from Damp Heat, Steady State.

8.12 LOW AIR PRESSURE

Components shall be subjected to Test M of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-13.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Pressure: $2 \pm 0.2 \text{ kPa}$
 - (b) Temperature: $T_{\text{amb}} = +22 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (c) Duration: 6 minutes.
- Data Points:

During the final minute of testing DC Rated Voltage shall be applied to the components under test and they shall be observed in order to determine any breakdown or flashover.

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, breakdown, flashover, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.13 SURGE VOLTAGE

Components shall be subjected to Surge Voltage in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 6.9.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Test temperature: $T_{\text{amb}} = +85 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - (b) Test procedure: each component shall be submitted to 1000 charge/discharge cycles of 30s per charge and 5.5 minutes per discharge, at the applicable DC surge voltage as specified in the Detail Specification. Voltage application shall be through a $1 \text{ k}\Omega \pm 5\%$ resistor. Discharge shall be made using a suitable short circuit, through the $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ charging resistor or equivalent. The test shall be terminated on the discharge part of the cycle.
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

8.14 REVERSE VOLTAGE

Unless otherwise specified, components shall be subjected to a reverse polarity voltage of 3Vdc at $T_{\text{amb}} = +125 (+0 -5)^{\circ}\text{C}$ for a period of 125 hours. This shall be followed by DC Rated Voltage (forward polarity) at $T_{\text{amb}} = +125 (+0 -5)^{\circ}\text{C}$ for an additional period of 125 hours.

- Data Points:

Prior to the test, Capacitance shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

On completion of testing and after recovery, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change and Dissipation Factor shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification. Capacitance Change shall be related to the initial measurements.

8.15 OPERATING LIFE

Components shall be subjected to Operating Life in accordance with IEC Publication No. 60384-1 clause 8.5.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

(a) Applicable to Qualification Testing, and to Periodic Testing for renewal of qualification after lapse

Test Conditions:

- i. Duration: 2000 \pm 48 hours.
- ii. Test Temperature (T_{amb}): Rated Temperature $\pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$, as specified in the Detail Specification.
- iii. Operating conditions: DC Rated Voltage as specified in the Detail Specification. The voltage shall be applied continuously except for measurement periods. The impedance of the voltage source, as seen from the terminals of each component shall not exceed 10 Ω . Storage batteries or an electronic power supply, capable of supplying at least 100mA when a component is shorted, shall be used.

(b) Applicable to Periodic Testing for extension of qualification

Test Conditions:

- i. Duration: 1000 \pm 48 hours.
- ii. Test Temperature (T_{amb}): Rated Temperature $\pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$, as specified in the Detail Specification.
- iii. Operating conditions: DC Rated Voltage as specified in the Detail Specification. The voltage shall be applied continuously except for measurement periods. The impedance of the voltage source, as seen from the terminals of each component shall not exceed 10 Ω . Storage batteries or an electronic power supply, capable of supplying at least 100mA when a component is shorted, shall be used.

- Data Points:

Prior to the test, Capacitance shall be measured (initial measurements) as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

During testing, after 500 \pm 48 hours and after 1000 \pm 48 hours (when a 2000 hour test is being performed), after 24 \pm 2 hours recovery at room temperature, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change and Dissipation Factor shall be measured at $T_{amb} = +22 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$, as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification.

On completion of testing, (1000 or 2000 hours), the components shall be visually examined and there shall be no evidence of damage, breakdown, flashover, or leakage of electrolyte (determined using a suitable chemical indicator solution).

After 24 \pm 2 hours recovery at room temperature, DC Leakage Current, Capacitance, Capacitance Change, Dissipation Factor, Voltage Proof and Insulation Resistance shall be measured as specified in Intermediate and End-Point Electrical Measurements in the Detail Specification. Capacitance Change shall be related to the initial measurements.

8.16 SOLDERABILITY

The components shall be subjected to Test Ta of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-20.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Test method: 1 (solder bath at +235°C)
 - (b) Immersion depth: up to 1.5mm from the welded joint or up to 3.5mm from the body, as applicable.

8.17 ROBUSTNESS OF TERMINATIONS

Components shall be subjected to tests U_{a1} (tensile) and, for wire terminals, U_b (bending) of IEC Publication No. 60068-2-21.

Unless otherwise specified, the following details shall apply:

- Test Conditions:
 - (a) Test U_{a1} :
 - Applied force: 10N
 - Duration of applied force: 30 (+5 -0)s
 - (b) Test U_b , Method 1 (for wire terminals):
 - For cathode terminals: 2 bends.
 - For anode terminals: 4 bends. The test fixture shall be such that the bend in the terminal is made between 4.5mm and 8mm from the end of the tantalum anode riser wire weld. The tantalum anode riser wire shall be maintained in its axial position as closely as practicable during bending.
- Data Points:

On completion of testing, the components shall be visually examined. There shall be no evidence of permanent damage to, or loosening or breaking of the terminals, and no evidence of damage to the seals or welds.

8.18 PERMANENCE OF MARKING

ESCC Basic Specification No. [24800](#).

9 DATA DOCUMENTATION

9.1 GENERAL

For the qualification, qualification maintenance and procurement for each lot a data documentation package shall exist in a printed or electronic form.

This package shall be compiled from:

- (a) Cover sheet (or sheets).
- (b) List of equipment (testing and measuring).
- (c) List of test references.
- (d) Special In-Process Controls data (Chart F2),
- (e) Screening Tests data (Chart F3).
- (f) Qualification, Periodic Testing and Lot Validation Testing (when applicable) data (Chart F4).
- (g) Failed components list and failure analysis report (when applicable).
- (h) Certificate of Conformity.

Items (a) to (h) inclusive shall be grouped, preferably as sub-packages and, for identification purposes, each page shall include the following information:

- ESCC Component Number.
- Manufacturer's name.
- Lot identification.
- Date of establishment of the document.
- Page number.

Whenever possible, documentation should preferably be available in electronic format suitable for reading using a compatible PC. The format supplied shall be legible, durable and indexed. The preferred storage medium is CD-ROM and the preferred file format is PDF.

9.1.1 Qualification and Qualification Maintenance

In the case of qualification or qualification maintenance, the items listed in Para. 9.1(a) to (h) are required.

9.1.2 Component Procurement and Delivery

For all deliveries of components procured to this specification, the following documentation shall be supplied:

- (a) Cover sheet (if all of the information is not included on the Certificate of Conformity).
- (b) Certificate of Conformity.

9.1.3 Additional Documentation

The Manufacturer shall deliver additional documentation containing data and reports to the Orderer, if stipulated in the Purchase Order.

9.1.4 Data Retention/Data Access

If not delivered, all data shall be retained by the Manufacturer for a minimum of 5 years during which time it shall be available for review, if requested, by the Orderer or the ESCC Executive (for qualified components).

9.2 COVER SHEET(S)

The cover sheet(s) of the data documentation package shall include as a minimum:

- (a) Reference to the Detail Specification, including issue and date.
- (b) Reference to the applicable ESCC Generic Specification, including issue and date.
- (c) ESCC Component Number and the Manufacturer's part type number.
- (d) Lot identification.
- (e) Number of the Purchase Order.
- (f) Information relative to any additions to this specification and/or the Detail Specification.
- (g) Manufacturer's name and address.
- (h) Location of the manufacturing plant.
- (i) Signature on behalf of Manufacturer.
- (j) Total number of pages of the data package.

9.3 LIST OF EQUIPMENT USED

A list of equipment used for tests and measurements shall be prepared. Where applicable, this list shall contain inventory number, Manufacturer's type number, serial number, etc. This list shall indicate for which tests such equipment was used.

9.4 LIST OF TEST REFERENCES

This list shall include all Manufacturer's references or codes which are necessary to correlate the test data provided with the applicable tests specified in the tables of the Detail Specification.

9.5 SPECIAL IN-PROCESS CONTROLS DATA (CHART F2)

A test result summary shall be compiled showing the total number of components submitted to, and the total number rejected after each of the tests.

9.6 SCREENING TESTS DATA (CHART F3)

A test result summary shall be compiled showing the total number of components submitted to and the total number rejected after each of the tests.

9.7 QUALIFICATION, PERIODIC TESTING AND LOT VALIDATION TESTING DATA (CHART F4)

9.7.1 Qualification Testing

A test result summary shall be compiled showing the components submitted to, and the number rejected after each test in each subgroup. Component serial numbers for each subgroup shall be identified. For each test requiring electrical measurements the results shall be recorded against component serial number. Where a drift value is specified during a test the drift calculation shall be recorded against component serial number.

9.7.2 Periodic Testing for Qualification Maintenance

A test result summary shall be compiled showing the components submitted to and the number rejected after each test in each subgroup. Component serial numbers for each subgroup shall be identified. For each test requiring electrical measurements the results shall be recorded against component serial number. Where a drift value is specified during a test the drift calculation shall be recorded against component serial number.

In addition to the full test data a report shall be compiled for each subgroup of Chart F4 to act as the most recent Periodic Testing summary. These reports shall include a list of all tests performed in each subgroup, the ESCC Component Numbers and quantities of components tested, a statement confirming all the results were satisfactory, the date the tests were performed and a reference to the full test data.

9.7.3 Lot Validation Testing

A test result summary shall be compiled showing the components submitted to and the number rejected after each test in each subgroup (as applicable). Component serial numbers for each subgroup shall be identified. For each test requiring electrical measurements the results shall be recorded against component serial number. Where a drift value is specified during a test the drift calculation shall be recorded against component serial number.

9.8 FAILED COMPONENTS LIST AND FAILURE ANALYSIS REPORT

The failed components list and failure analysis report shall provide full details of:

- (a) The reference and description of the test or measurement performed as defined in this specification and/or the Detail Specification during Special In-Process Controls, Screening Tests, and Qualification, Periodic Testing and Lot Validation Testing.
- (b) Traceability information including serial number (if applicable) of the failed component.
- (c) The failed parameter and the failure mode of the component.
- (d) Detailed failure analysis (if requested by the ESCC Executive or Orderer).

9.9 CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY

A Certificate of Conformity shall be established in accordance with the requirements of ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#) or [25400](#).

10 **DELIVERY**

For procurement, for each order, the items forming the delivery are:

- (a) The delivery lot.
- (b) The components used for Lot Validation Testing (as applicable), but not forming part of the delivery lot, if stipulated in the Purchase Order.
- (c) The relevant documentation in accordance with the requirements of Paras. 9.1.2 and 9.1.3.

In the case of a component for which a valid qualification is in force, all data of all components submitted to Lot Validation Testing shall also be copied, when requested, to the ESCC Executive.

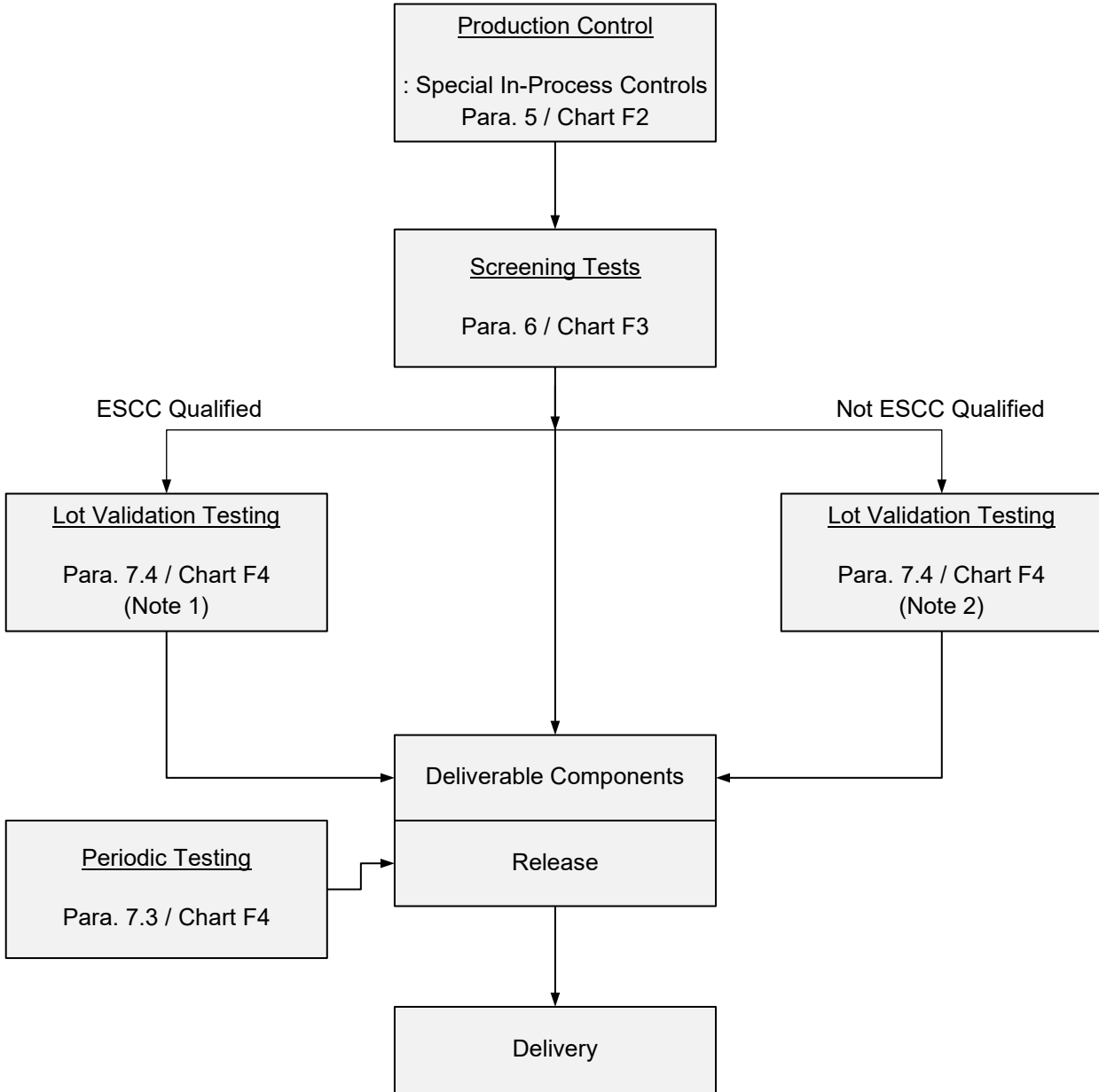
For qualification or qualification maintenance, the disposition of the Qualification Test Lot and its related documentation shall be as specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [20100](#) or [25400](#) and the relevant paragraphs of Section 9 of this specification.

11 **PACKAGING AND DISPATCH**

The packaging and dispatch of components to this specification shall be in accordance with the requirements of ESCC Basic Specification No. [20600](#).

12 CHARTS

12.1 CHART F1 – GENERAL FLOW OF PROCUREMENT



NOTES:

1. Lot Validation Testing is not required for qualified components unless specifically stipulated in the Purchase Order.
2. For unqualified components, the need for Lot Validation Testing shall be determined by the Orderer and the required testing shall be as stipulated in the Purchase Order (ref. ESCC Basic Specification No. [23100](#)).

12.2 CHART F2 – PRODUCTION CONTROL

COMPONENT LOT MANUFACTURING	
SPECIAL IN-PROCESS CONTROLS	
-	Final Assembly/Encapsulation
Para. 5.2.1	Dimension Check (1)
Para. 5.2.2	Weight (2)
TO CHART F3 – SCREENING TESTS	

NOTES:

1. Performed on a sample basis.
2. Guaranteed but not tested.

12.3 CHART F3 – SCREENING TESTS

COMPONENTS FROM PRODUCTION CONTROL	
Para. 8.1.2	Room Temperature Electrical Measurements (1)
Para. 8.2	Burn-in
Para. 8.1.3	High and Low Temperatures Electrical Measurements (2) (3)
Para. 8.1.2	Room Temperature Electrical Measurements (3)
Para. 8.3	Seal (Fine and Gross Leak)
-	Body Insulation Sleeving
Para. 8.1.2	Room Temperature Electrical Measurements (3)
Para. 6.4	Check for Lot Failure (4)
Para. 8.4	External Visual Inspection
TO CHART F4 WHEN APPLICABLE	

NOTES:

1. Optional at the Manufacturer's discretion.
2. Performed on a sample basis.
3. The lot failure criteria of Para. 6.4 apply to this test.
4. Check for Lot Failure shall take into account all electrical parameter failures that may occur during Screening Tests in accordance with para. 8.1.2 and 8.1.3 subsequent to Burn-in.

12.4 CHART F4 – QUALIFICATION, PERIODIC TESTING AND LOT VALIDATION TESTING

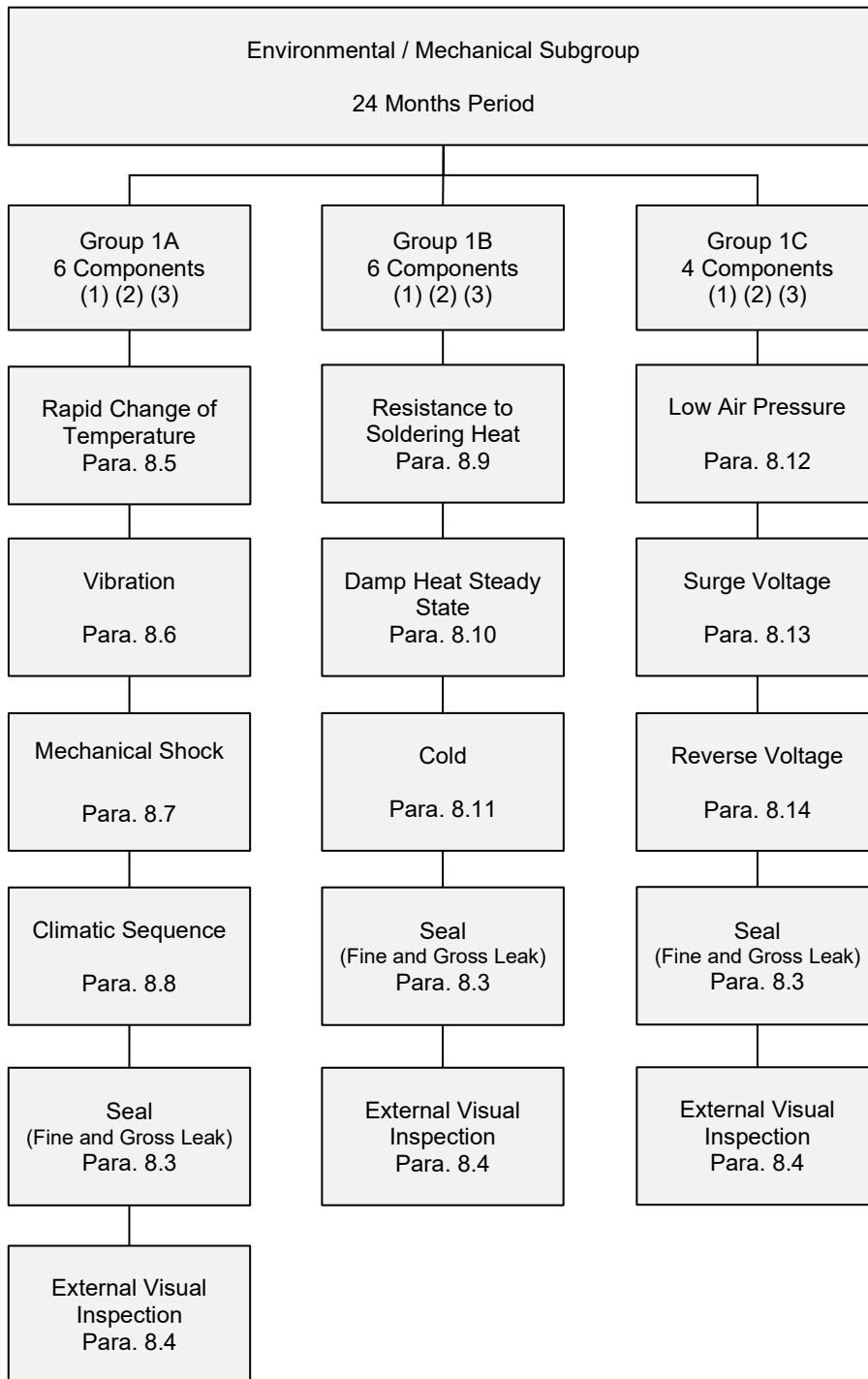
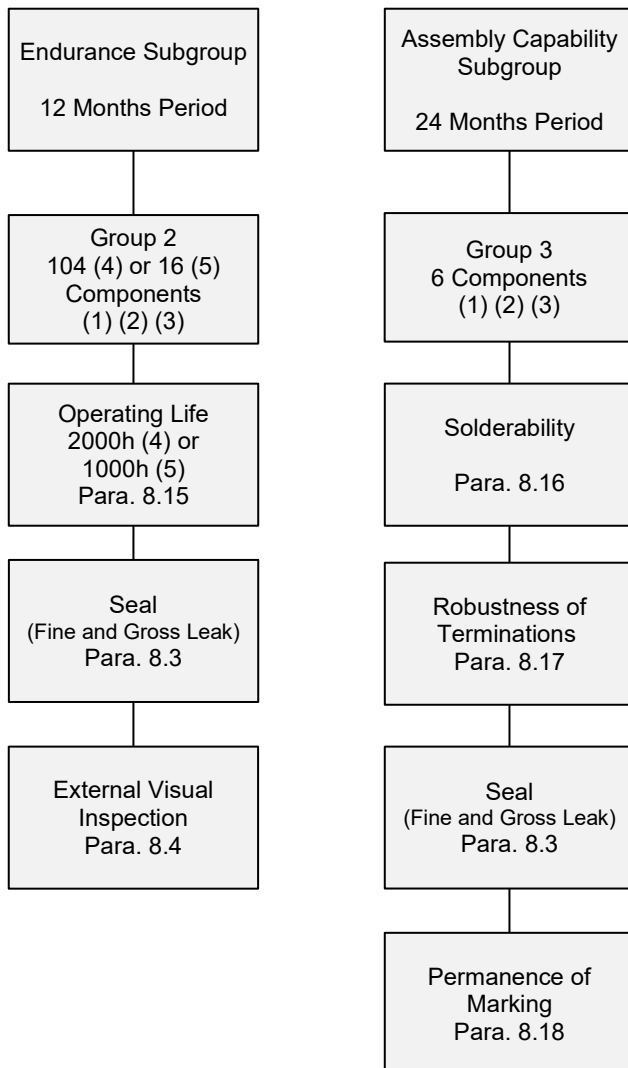


CHART F4 CONTINUED



NOTES:

1. For distribution within the subgroups, see Para. 7.1.2 for Qualification Testing and Periodic Testing, and Para. 7.4 for Lot Validation Testing.
For qualification and qualification maintenance, the minimum quantity of components per test vehicle selected for the Qualification Test Lot shall be as follows:
 - Subgroup 1A: 3 components
 - Subgroup 1B: 3 components
 - Subgroup 1C: 4 components
 - Subgroup 2: 10 components
 - Subgroup 3: 3 components
2. All components shall be serialised prior to testing.
3. No failures are permitted.
4. Applicable to Qualification Testing, and to Periodic Testing for renewal of qualification after lapse.
5. Applicable to Periodic Testing for extension of qualification.