

Performance Standards and Test Procedures for Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems

For gaseous, particulate and flow-rate monitoring systems

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Foreword

We set up our Monitoring Certification Scheme (MCERTS) to provide guidelines on the standards you need to meet to monitor things that affect the environment. MCERTS covers:

- the standards your monitoring equipment must meet;
- how qualified your staff must be;
- recognising laboratories and inspecting sites in line with European and international standards.

This document tells you how well continuous emission monitoring systems (CEMs) have to work, and describes the requirements that you need to meet to test their performance. CEMs are systems used to measure the concentrations of gases and particles in an environment where there are industrial chimney stacks and flues and ducts. They often do this in lots of different working conditions, because conditions vary from site to site.

MCERTS for CEMs is an official certification scheme that comes under the European Standard EN ISO/IEC 17065. CSA Group Testing UK Ltd, the certification body in this document, runs this scheme for us.

Your equipment must be tested by laboratories and test organisations that have EN ISO/IEC 17025, which is the internationally recognised standard for testing laboratories. CSA examines the results of the laboratory tests and field tests using a group of independent experts known as the Certification Committee.

The benefits of this standard

- The standard gives you the support of a certification scheme that is officially recognised in the UK and is accepted internationally.
- Regulators can be confident that monitoring equipment which meets the standard gives them reliable information about emissions.
- You can be confident that the equipment you use to monitor emissions has been thoroughly tested and meets standards that are accepted by UK regulators.
- The standard gives manufacturers an independent approval. This means people will trust their products, which will improve sales in the UK and internationally.
- The standard helps make sure the public get accurate and reliable information about the quality of air.

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Performance Standards and Test Procedures for Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems

1 Introduction

1.1 Background

This document describes the performance standards, test procedures and general requirements for the testing of continuous emission monitoring systems (CEMs) under MCERTS in compliance with CEN standard EN 15267-3, with additional provisions for testing and certification to EN ISO 16911-2 for flow-monitors. This latter standard includes extra requirements to EN 15367-3 and therefore provides additional assurance to users of flow-monitoring CEMs if required.

CEN developed EN 15267-3 to provide for the QAL1 and QAL3 requirements of EN 14181 and now provides a means of demonstrating compliance with the uncertainty requirements specified in the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU).

The requirements for certification are covered in BS EN 15267-1, and the requirements for the manufacturer's quality-management system for manufacturing and design control are covered in BS EN 15267-2.

The determinands covered include, but are not restricted to:

- sulphur dioxide (SO₂)
- oxides of nitrogen (principally NO and NO₂, but also N₂O)
- carbon monoxide (CO) and carbon dioxide (CO₂)
- hydrogen chloride (HCl)
- hydrogen fluoride (HF)
- methane (CH₄)
- sulphur hexafluoride (SF₆)
- hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and perfluorocarbons (PFCs)
- mercury (Hg)
- formaldehyde
- benzene
- volatile organic compounds, expressed as total organic carbon (TOC)
- oxygen (O₂)
- water vapour (H₂O)
- particulate matter, for installations which must comply with the requirements of EN 14181
- flow rate

The performance standards cover a range of emission levels for waste incineration, solvent-using processes, large combustion plant (including gas turbines), as well as other types of installation specified in the IED.

The general requirements and performance standards for all CEMs for each characteristic are specified in Section 5, whilst the performance criteria for CEMs are covered in Sections 6, 7 and 8. The requirements for testing to evaluate the performance of CEMs for compliance with the MCERTS performance standards are specified in Sections 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Additionally, there are three classes of particulate monitor. These are:

- **Class 1:** Particulate monitors used for measuring emissions in mg. m^{-3} . Class 1 monitors meet the requirements of EN 15267-3 and EN 14181, specifically for QAL1 and QAL3. Operators of large combustion plant and incinerators falling under Chapters III and IV respectively of the IED must use Class 1 particulate monitors. Class 1 monitors may also be used on all other PPC installations.
- **Class 2:** Particulate monitors, also known as *filter dust monitors*, used for measuring emissions in mg.m^{-3} . Class 2 monitors may be used with our agreement on PPC installations other than large combustion plant and incineration where the emissions are normally less than 50% of the emission limit value. Such monitors are used to provide feedback that a process is under control and stable and operating well within the emission limit value. Class 2 monitors meet the requirements of EN 15859 instead of those specified in EN 15267-3.
- **Class 3:** *Filter leakage monitors*, used to monitor changes in performance of dust-arrestment plant and alarm in the event of failure. They provide an indication of particulate emissions but do not measure emissions in mg.m^{-3} .

Annex G shows the classes of particulate monitor and their allowable uses. Class 1 particulate monitors must have the means to measure and record zero and span drift, in order to meet the requirements of QAL3 in EN 14181. Classes 2 and 3 must have a means of measuring the stability of the CEM, using internal zero and reference points, but do not have to meet the QAL3 requirements of EN 14181.

This document only covers the requirements for Class 1 particulate monitors. Class 2 and Class 3 particulate monitors are required to meet the requirements of EN 15859 instead of those specified in EN 15267-3. The requirements for Class 2 and Class 3 particulate monitors are covered in a separate MCERTS performance standard, the *MCERTS performance standards for the Certification of automated dust arrestment-plant monitors – Performance criteria and test procedures, according to EN 15859*.

The main CEM performance characteristics against which a CEM will be assessed by a combination of laboratory and field testing are:

- lack-of-fit, (linearity)
- cross-sensitivity to likely components of the stack gas other than the determinand
- influence of sample pressure and sample temperature
- response time
- detection limit (repeatability at zero)
- repeatability at span
- influence of ambient conditions on zero and span readings
- performance and accuracy under field conditions
- reproducibility under field conditions
- availability and maintenance interval under field conditions
- time-dependent zero and span drift under field conditions
- susceptibility to physical disturbances
- design features

Product certification comprises three phases. These are:

- **Laboratory testing** – used to determine performance characteristics, where such testing requires a highly controlled environment.
- **Field testing** – which must be at least three months long. The field test is carried out on processes representative of the intended industrial sectors and applications.
- **Surveillance** – initial and continuing – which comprises an audit of the manufacturing process to confirm that the manufacturer has provisions to ensure manufacturing reproducibility and to control any design changes to ensure that they do not degrade performance below the MCERTS standards.

Test laboratories shall have accredited procedures that comply with the requirements of EN ISO/IEC 17025, EN 15267-3 and the requirements of the MCERTS scheme. EN 15267-1 describes the roles and responsibilities of all parties involved in testing and certification, whilst EN 15267-2 describes the requirements for the quality assurance of the manufacturing and design processes. Therefore EN 15267-2 applies primarily to manufacturers of CEMs.

1.2 Manufacturing, repairs, maintenance and modifications to certified CEMs

Any spares or replacement parts for certified CEMs must meet the same performance standards as the original parts. Operators and equipment suppliers may be required to provide evidence that the replacement parts meet the required performance standards of the original equipment as specified by the CEM manufacturer.

Modifications to certified CEMs are allowable so long as manufacturers can demonstrate that these design changes do not degrade the performance of the CEM below the MCERTS performance standards. Manufacturers must have a management system which meets the requirements of EN 15267-2. This standard requires manufacturers to keep detailed records and drawings of all design changes to CEMs, and have provisions for design verification, inspection and testing to ensure that the CEMs still meet the required performance standards.

A suitably accredited certification-body will conduct audits of the design changes to CEMs to meet the requirements of product certification. Manufacturers must notify the Certification Body of any modifications to equipment that may have a significant effect on CEM performance. EN 15267-2 provides details of the audit and certification requirements for the manufacturer's management system.

Design modifications or extensions to the range of application of a CEM may require renewed testing. The extent of this renewed testing will depend upon the nature of the modifications to the CEM.

If there is evidence that a modification has only limited effects on the performance of the CEM, then it would not be necessary to retest a CEM completely. In such cases, only a supplementary test would be required to the applicable MCERTS performance standards.

In the case of modifications to software – particularly in measuring instruments –documentation must be presented to the Certification Body indicating the nature of the modification as well as resultant effects on operation and functionality. The Certification Body will then decide if further testing is required.

A CEM is certified with a specified type of sampling system. If the analyser is used with components for the sampling system which differ from those which were originally tested, there must be verifiable evidence from a suitable third party test laboratory to demonstrate that the alternative sampling system still enables the CEM to meet the MCERTS performance requirements.

Note: The requirements for certification are covered in BS EN 15267-1, and the requirements for the manufacturer's quality-management system for manufacturing and design control are covered in BS EN 15267-2. The

certification body applies the requirements of these standards.

1.3 Previous performance tests

Manufacturers that have test reports to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the UBA's type-approval scheme for their CEMs are invited to submit test reports along with their application for MCERTS certification. We have a formal procedure, *MCERTS - Guidance on the Acceptance of German Type Approval Test Reports for CEMs*, for assessing the test results for compliance with the MCERTS performance standards.

Note: Test reports produced to demonstrate compliance with other national schemes may also be acceptable.

1.4 Certificate validity

Certificates are valid indefinitely, subject to a five-yearly review and the satisfactory control of manufacturing processes and design changes, and compliance with the requirements of BS EN 15267-1, BS EN 15267-2, BS EN 15267-3; and EN ISO 16911-2/EN 14181 if applicable. The certification body keeps the validity of the certification of the CEM under continuous appraisal, taking into account the reports from technical changes to the CEM, post-certification surveillance as defined in BS EN 15267-1, any changes in the technical requirements notified by the Environment Agency, and any complaints from users.

1.5 Scope

The scope of processes within the MCERTS scheme for CEMs is as follows:

- **Incineration** processes, including those for hazardous waste, co-incineration, sewage sludge, municipal waste and clinical waste. In short, those processes covered by Chapter IV of the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU).
- **Combustion processes** covered by Chapter III of the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU).
- **Solvent-using processes** covered by the Chapter V of the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU).
- **Gas-fired turbines** covered by Chapter III of the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU). There is evidence that gas turbines are highly specialised and demanding applications for monitoring, particularly regarding the measurement of low concentrations of oxides of nitrogen.

Note: CEMs for gas turbines need to monitor nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide at suitably low ranges.

- **Other activities** listed in Annex I of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED)(2010/75/EU).
- **Greenhouse gas emissions.** Processes covered by the Directive establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Community and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC (2003/87/EC)(as amended).

CEMs will ordinarily be tested on a highly demanding process, such as a large coal-fired power station, municipal waste incinerator or a gas-fired turbine, depending on the intended application. The premise is that, if the CEM performs acceptably on these applications, then experience has shown that it will generally perform well on 95% of other processes. However, there will always be exceptions, and it is the responsibility of the manufacturer in conjunction with the user to ensure that the CEM will perform adequately on a specific process.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are necessary for the application 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.

EN 15267-1	Air quality - Certification of automated measuring systems - Part 1: General aspects.
EN 15267-2	Air quality - Certification of automated measuring systems - Part 2: Minimum requirements for product quality assurance, initial assessment and on-going surveillance.
EN 15267-3	Air quality — Certification of automated measuring systems — Part 3: Performance criteria and test procedures for automated measuring systems for monitoring emissions from stationary sources.
EN 15859	Air quality - Certification of automated dust arrestment-plant monitors – Performance criteria and test procedures.
EN 12619	Stationary source emissions – Determination of the mass concentration of total gaseous organic carbon at low concentrations in flue gases – Continuous flame ionisation detector method.
EN 13284-1	Stationary source emissions – Determination of low range mass concentration of dust – Part 1: Manual gravimetric method.
EN 13284-2	Stationary source emissions – Determination of low range mass concentration of dust – Part 2: Automated measuring systems.
EN ISO 16911-2	Stationary source emissions – Manual and automatic determination of velocity and volume flow rate in ducts Part 2: Automated measuring systems
EN 14181	Stationary source emissions – Quality assurance of automated measuring systems.
EN 15259	Air Quality – Measurement of stationary source emissions – Requirements for measurement sections and sites and for the measurement objective, plan and report.
EN 50160	Voltage characteristics of electricity supplied by public distribution systems.
EN 60529	Specification for degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP code).
EN ISO 14956	Air quality – Evaluation of the suitability of a measurement method by comparison with a stated measurement uncertainty.
EN ISO/IEC 17025	General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.

3 Terms and definitions

3.1 accuracy

closeness of agreement between a single measured value of the measurand, and the true value (or an accepted reference value)

3.2 availability

fraction of the total monitoring time for which data of acceptable quality have been collected

3.3 averaging time

period of time over which an arithmetic or time-weighted average of concentrations is calculated

3.4 automated measuring system (CEM)

entirety of all measuring instruments and additional devices for obtaining a result of measurement

Note 1: Apart from the actual measuring device (the analyser), a CEM includes facilities for taking samples (for example probe, sample gas lines, flow meters and regulator, delivery pump) and for sample conditioning (for example dust filter, pre-separator for interferences, cooler, converter). This definition also includes testing and adjusting devices that are required for functional checks and, if applicable, for commissioning.

Note 2: The term automated measuring system (AMS) is typically used in Europe. The term CEM for continuous emission monitoring system is also typically used in the UK and USA.

3.5 calibration

determination of a calibration function with (time) limited validity applicable to a CEM at a specific measurement site

3.6 calibration function

linear relationship between the values of the SRM and the CEM with the assumption of a constant residual standard deviation

Note: The calibration function describes the statistical relationship between the starting variable (measured signal) of the measuring system and the associated result of measurement (measured value) simultaneously determined at the same point of measurement using a SRM.

3.7 certification range

range over which the CEM is tested and certified for compliance with the relevant performance criteria

Note: Certification range is always related to the daily ELV.

3.8 converter efficiency

efficiency with which the converter unit of a NO_x analyser reduces NO₂ to NO

3.9 cross-sensitivity

response of the CEM to determinands other than those that it is designed to measure

Note: See interference.

3.10 delay time

time taken for the output signal of the CEM to reach 10 % of the total change in instrument response

3.11 drift

monotonic change of the calibration function over a stated period of unattended operation, which results in a change of the measured value

3.12 emissions limit value (ELV)

limit values given in EC Directives, ordinances, regulations, permits, licences, authorisations or consents

Note: ELV can be stated as concentration limits expressed as half-hourly, hourly and daily averaged values, or mass flow limits expressed as hourly, daily, weekly, monthly or annually aggregated values.

3.13 expanded uncertainty

quantity defining an interval about the result of a measurement that may be expected to encompass a large fraction of the distribution of values that could reasonably be attributed to the measurand.

Note: The interval about the result of measurement is established for a level of confidence is typically 95 %.

3.14 field test

test for at least three months on an industrial facility appropriate to the CEMs' field of application

3.15 interference

negative or positive effect that a substance has upon the output of the instrument, when that substance is not the determinand

3.16 interferent

substance present in the air mass under investigation, other than the determinand, that affects the response

3.17 lack-of-fit

systematic deviation, within the range of application, between the accepted value of a reference material applied to the measuring system and the corresponding result of measurement produced by the calibrated measuring system

Note: In common language lack-of-fit is often replaced by linearity or deviation from linearity. Lack-of-fit test is often called linearity test.

3.18 maintenance interval

maximum admissible interval of time for which the performance characteristics remain within a pre-defined range without external servicing, for example refill, calibration, adjustment

Note: This is also known as the period of unattended operation.

3.19 measured signal

output from a CEM in analogue or digital form which is converted into the measured value with the aid of the calibration function

3.20 output

reading, or digital or analogue electrical signal generated by a CEM in response to a determinand

3.21 paired measurement

simultaneous recording of results of measurement at the same measurement point using two CEMs of identical design

3.22 performance characteristic

quantity (described by values, tolerances, range) assigned to a CEM in order to define its performance

3.23 range

totality of all values that can be output by the CEM

3.24 reference material

substance or mixture of substances, with a known composition within specified limits

Note: One or more of the properties of the reference material are sufficiently well established over a stated period of time to be used for the calibration of an apparatus, the assessment of a measuring method, or for assigning values to materials.

3.25 reference point

value of the output quantity (measured signal) of the measuring CEM for the purpose of calibrating, adjusting, etc. that represents a correct measured value generated by the measured object

3.26 repeatability

ability of a CEM to provide closely similar indications for repeated applications of the same determinand under the same conditions of measurement

3.27 reproducibility (R_{field})

measure of the agreement between two identical measuring systems applied in parallel in field tests at a level of confidence of 95 % using the standard deviation of the difference of the paired measurements

Note 1: Reproducibility is determined by means of two identical CEM operated side by side. It is a CEM performance characteristic for describing the production tolerance specific to that CEM. The reproducibility is calculated from the half-hour averaged output signals (raw values as analogue or digital outputs) during the three-month field test.

Note 2: The term *field repeatability* is sometimes used instead of reproducibility.

3.28 response time

time interval between the instant of a sudden change in the value of the input quantity to a CEM and the time as from which the value of the output quantity is reliably maintained above 90% of the correct value of the input quantity

Note: The response time is also referred to as the 90 % time.

3.29 standard reference method (SRM)

method described and standardised to define an air quality characteristic, temporarily installed on site for verification purposes

3.30 span point

reference point between 70 % and 90 % of the range tested

3.31 span drift

change in CEM reading at the span point over the maintenance interval

3.32 standard uncertainty

uncertainty of the result of measurement expressed as a standard deviation

3.33 test laboratory

laboratory accredited to EN ISO/IEC 17025 for carrying out the tests defined in this standard

Note: EN/TS 15674 provides an elaboration of EN ISO/IEC 17025 for application to stack-emission measurement which should be followed when using standard reference methods listed in Annex A.

3.34 uncertainty

parameter associated with the result of a measurement, that characterises the dispersion of the values that could reasonably be attributed to the measurand

3.35 zero gas

gas mixture used to establish the zero point of a calibration curve when used with a given analytical procedure within a given calibration range

3.36 zero drift

change in instrument reading in response to a zero value of the measurand over a stated period of unattended operation

3.37 zero point

specified value of the output quantity (measured signal) of the measuring CEM and which, in the absence of the determinand, represents the zero crossing of the CEM characteristic

Note: In case of oxygen and some flow monitoring CEM the zero point is interpreted as the lowest measurable value.

3.38 independent reading

reading that is not influenced by a previous individual reading by separating two individual readings by at least four response times

3.39 individual reading

reading averaged over a time period equal to the response time of the CEM

4 Symbols and abbreviations

Symbols

b_{sp}	sensitivity coefficient of sample gas pressure
c	concentration
$c_{NO,0}$	concentration of NO with ozone generator switched-off
$c_{NO,i}$	concentration of NO with ozone generator at setting i ($i = 1$ to n)
$c_{NOx,0}$	concentration of total NO _x with ozone generator switched-off
$c_{NOx,i}$	concentration of total NO _x with ozone generator at setting i ($i = 1$ to n)
c_1	average concentration of the measurements at sample gas pressure p_1
c_2	average concentration of the measurements at sample gas pressure p_2
C_i	converter efficiency at setting i of the ozone generator ($i = 1$ to n)
n	number of measurements, number of parallel measurements
p_1	sampling gas pressure p_1
p_2	sampling gas pressure p_2
Δp	difference in sample gas pressure
r	repeatability
R_{field}	reproducibility under field conditions
R^2	determination coefficient of calibration function
s_D	standard deviation of the difference of paired measurements
s_r	repeatability standard deviation of the measurement
$t_{n-1; 0,95}$	two-sided Students t -factor at a confidence level of 95 % with a number of degrees of freedom $n-1$
t_d	is the relative difference between the response times determined in rise and fall mode
t_{rise}	response time determined in rise mode (average of 4 measurements)
t_{fall}	response time determined in fall mode (average of 4 measurements)
t_{out}	outage time
t_{tot}	total operating time
x	measured signal
x_i	i th measured signal
$x_{i,min}$	minimum value of the influence quantity X_i during the measuring period
$x_{i,max}$	maximum value of the influence quantity X_i during the measuring period
$x_{i,adj}$	value of the influence quantity X_i during the adjustment of the CEM $x_{1,i}$ i th measured signal of the first measuring system
$x_{2,i}$	i th measured signal of the second measuring system
\bar{x}	average of measured signals x_i
Δx_p	deviation of the measured signal at upper limit flow rate for meeting specification
Δx_n	deviation of the measured signal at lower limit flow rate for meeting specification
V	availability

Abbreviations

AMS	Automated Measuring System
CEM	Continuous Emission Monitoring System
AST	Annual Surveillance Test
ELV	Emission Limit Value
QAL	Quality Assurance Level
QAL1	First Quality Assurance Level
QAL2	Second Quality Assurance Level

QAL3	Third Quality Assurance Level
SRM	Standard Reference Method
TOC	Total Organic Carbon

5 General requirements

5.1 Application of performance criteria

The performance criteria defined within this standard shall be applied to two identical CEMs. The CEMs shall also meet the uncertainty requirements specified in the applicable Directives.

5.2 Ranges to be tested

5.2.1 Certification range

The certification range over which the CEM is to be tested shall comprise minimum and maximum values and the coverage shall be fit for the intended application of the CEM. The certification range shall be specified:

- for waste incinerators as the range from usually zero, if the CEM is able to measure zero, and a value no greater than 1.5 times the daily average emission limit value (ELV);
- for large combustion plants as the range from usually zero, if the CEM is able to measure zero, and a value no greater than 2.5 times the daily average ELV;
- for other plants in relation to the corresponding ELV or any other requirement related to the intended application.

The CEM shall be able to measure instantaneous values in a range that is at least twice the upper limit of the certification range in order to measure the half-hour values. If it is necessary to use more than one range setting of the CEM to achieve this requirement, supplementary ranges require additional testing (see 5.2.2).

Note 1: In addition to the certification ranges stated above, manufacturers can choose supplementary ranges which are larger than the certification range.

Note 2: Manufacturers can choose other ranges for different applications. If a CEM is tested for example on waste incinerators, it can also be used on large combustion plants, if the supplementary ranges are tested as given in 5.2.2.

The certification range(s), and the performance criteria tested for each range shall be stated on the certificate.

Note 3: For a broad industrial application of the certified CEM, the test laboratory should choose for the field test an industrial plant with recognizable difficult boundary conditions. Simpler applications can thus be covered at the same time.

5.2.2 Supplementary ranges

If a manufacturer wishes to demonstrate performance over one or more supplementary ranges larger than the certification range some limited additional testing is required over all the supplementary ranges. This additional testing shall at least include evaluations of the response time (see 10.9) and lack-of-fit (see 10.12). Cross-sensitivity (see 10.19) has to be tested if the interferent concentrations at the industrial plant are higher than those in Table B.1. The supplementary range(s) and the performance criteria tested for these ranges shall be stated on the certificate.

5.2.3 Lower values of ranges

The minimum value of the certification range will usually be zero.

Note 1: The 'zero' value is typically the detection limit.

Note 2: For oxygen measuring CEM the minimum value of the certification range may not be zero.

5.2.4 Expression of performance criteria with respect to ranges

The performance criteria presented in Section 8 are generally expressed in terms of a percentage of the maximum of the certification range for each determinand except for oxygen where the performance criteria are expressed as volume concentrations. A performance criterion is a value that corresponds to the largest permitted deviation allowed for each test, regardless of the sign of the deviation determined in the test.

5.2.5 Ranges of optical in-situ CEMs with variable optical length (cross-stack)

The certification range for optical in-situ CEMs with variable optical length (cross-stack) shall be defined in units of the determinand concentration multiplied by the length of the optical path. The path length used for testing shall be stated on the certificate.

5.3 Manufacturing consistency and changes to CEMs design

Certification of CEMs is specific to the design model which has undergone performance testing. Subsequent design modifications that might affect the performance of the CEMs can invalidate the certification.

Note: Design modifications apply to both hardware and software.

Manufacturing consistency and changes to the design of CEMs are described in EN 15267-2.

5.4 Qualifications of test laboratories

Test laboratories shall be accredited to EN ISO/IEC 17025 and the appropriate test standards for carrying out the tests defined in this standard.

Note: EN/TS 15675 provides an elaboration of EN ISO/IEC 17025 for application to stack-emission measurement which should be followed when using standard reference methods specified at Annex A.

6 Performance criteria common to all CEMs for laboratory testing

6.1 CEMs for testing

All CEMs submitted for testing shall be complete. These specifications do not apply to the individual parts of a CEM. The certificate shall be issued for a specified CEM with all its parts listed.

A CEM which uses extractive sampling systems shall have appropriate provisions to filter solids, avoid chemical reactions within the sampling system, entrainment effects and a means to control the condensation of water.

Measuring systems with different options for the sampling line length shall be tested with an appropriate sampling line length agreed between the test laboratory and the manufacturer. The length shall be quoted in the test report.

Note: The use of longer sampling lines is covered by QAL2.

6.2 Requirements of EC Directives – CE labelling

The CEM submitted for testing shall be in conformity with all applicable EC Directives. As of April 2016, these include the Electro-magnetic Compatibility Directive 2014/30/EU (formerly 2004/108/EC), and the Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU (formerly 2006/95/EC), covering electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits. Equipment within the scope of the Hazardous Atmospheres Directive, 2014/34/EU (formerly 94/9/EC) falls outside the scope of this MCERTS document. CEM manufacturers or suppliers shall supply declarations of conformity to all relevant Directives applicable to the equipment.

6.3 Security

The CEM shall have a means of protection against unauthorised access to control functions.

6.4 Output ranges and zero-point

The CEM shall have a data output with a living zero point (for example 4 mA) such that both negative and positive readings can be displayed.

The CEM shall have a display that shows the measurement response. The display may be external to the CEM.

6.5 Additional data outputs

The CEM shall have a data output allowing an additional data display and recording device to be fitted to the CEM.

6.6 Display of operational status signals

The CEM shall have a means of displaying its operating status.

Note: Status signals cover, for example, normal operation, stand-by, maintenance mode, malfunctions.

The CEM shall also have a means of communicating the operational status to a remote system.

6.7 Prevention or compensation for optical contamination

A CEM that uses an optical method as the measuring principle shall have provisions for either prevention of contamination of the optical system and/or compensation for its effects.

6.8 Degrees of protection provided by enclosures

Instruments kept within ventilated rooms or cabinets, where any kind of precipitation cannot reach the instrument, shall meet at least IP40 specified in EN 60529. Instruments limited to be mounted in areas, where some kind of shelter against precipitation is in place, for example a porch roof, but precipitation may reach the instrument due to wind, shall meet at least IP54 specified in EN 60529.

CEMs which are designed to be used in the open air and without any weather protection shall at least meet the requirements of standard IP65 specified in EN 60529.

6.9 Response time

The CEM shall meet the performance criteria for response time specified in Section 8.

6.10 Repeatability standard deviation at zero point

The CEM shall meet the performance criteria for repeatability standard deviation at the zero point specified in Section 8. The detection limit is two times the repeatability standard deviation at zero.

Note: Quantification limit is four times the repeatability standard deviation at zero.

6.11 Repeatability standard deviation at the span point

The CEM shall meet the performance criteria for repeatability standard deviation at the span point specified in Section 8.

6.12 Lack-of-fit

The CEM shall have a linear response and shall meet the performance criteria for lack-of-fit specified in Section 8.

6.13 Zero and span drift

The manufacturer shall provide a description of the technique used by the CEM to determine and compensate the zero and span drift. The description shall not be limited to an explanation of how the CEM compensates for the effect of contamination of the optical surfaces of a CEM which use optical techniques.

The test laboratory shall assess that the chosen reference material applied to the CEM as an independent check of the instrument's operation is capable of monitoring any credible change in instrument response not caused by changes in the measured component or stack condition.

The CEM shall allow recording of the zero and span drift. The manufacturer shall describe how to obtain the zero and span values.

Note 1: The technique should be sensitive to drift in as many of the active parts of the system as possible.

If the CEM has a means of automatic compensation for contamination and calibration and re-adjustment for zero and span drift, and such adjustments are not capable of bringing the CEM within normal operational conditions, then the CEM shall set a status signal.

In cases where the CEM cannot measure zero values, the drift has to be measured at the lower limit of the certification range.

Note 2: For example, some CEM which measure flow and oxygen are not able to measure true zero values.

6.14 Influence of ambient temperature

The deviations of the CEM readings at the zero and span points shall not exceed the performance criteria specified in Section 8 when the ambient temperature varies from $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, unless assemblies are installed indoors where the temperatures do not fall below $+5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ or rise above $+40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, in which case the test range shall be $+5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The manufacturer submitting a CEM for testing may specify wider ambient temperature ranges to those above.

Note: Temperature ranges tested are indicated in the certificate.

6.15 Influence of sample gas pressure

The deviation of the CEM reading at the span point shall not exceed the performance criterion specified in Section 8 when the sample gas pressure changes by 3 kPa above or below atmospheric pressure.

Note: This typically applies to in-situ CEMs, but not to extractive CEMs, since the sample gas is conditioned and typically not subject to significant variations of temperature and pressure once within the analyser.

6.16 Influence of sample gas flow for extractive CEMs

The deviation of the CEM reading at the span point shall not exceed the performance criterion specified in Section 8, when the sample gas flow is changed in accordance with the manufacturer's specification. A status signal for the lower limit of the sample gas flow shall be provided.

6.17 Influence of voltage variations

The deviation of the CEM reading at the zero and span points shall not exceed the performance criterion specified in Section 8 when the voltage supply to the CEM varies from -15% to $+10\%$ from the nominal value of the supply. CEMs shall be capable of operating at a voltage which meets the requirements of BS EN 50160.

6.18 Influence of vibration

The CEM shall be unaffected by the levels of vibration typically expected during installation at an industrial plant. The influence of vibration is acceptable if the deviations of the CEM readings at

the zero and span points do not exceed the performance criteria specified in Section 8.

6.19 Cross-sensitivity

The manufacturer shall describe any known sources of interference. Tests for non-gaseous interference sources, or gases other than those listed in Annex B, shall be agreed with the test laboratory. The CEM shall meet the performance criteria at the zero and span point for cross-sensitivity specified in Section 8.

6.20 Excursion of measurement beam of cross-stack *in-situ* CEMs

In the event of an excursion of the measurement beam within a CEM, the deviation of the CEM reading shall not exceed the performance criterion specified in Section 8 for the maximum allowable deviation angle specified by the manufacturer. This shall not be smaller than 0.3°.

6.21 Converter efficiency for NO_x-monitoring CEMs

Manufacturers shall specify, when seeking certification of CEMs for measuring NO_x, whether certification is required for the measurement of nitrogen monoxide (NO) and/or nitrogen dioxide (NO₂). If a converter is used, the converter shall meet the performance criteria for the converter efficiency specified in Section 8.

Note 1: NO_x ordinarily means nitrogen monoxide (NO) plus nitrogen dioxide (NO₂).

Note 2: NO_x concentrations are generally expressed as NO₂.

6.22 Response factors

CEMs for TOC shall meet the performance criteria specified in Section 8.

7 Performance criteria common to all CEMs for field testing

7.1 Calibration function

The variability attached to the calibration function and determined in accordance with EN 14181 shall meet the maximum permissible uncertainty specified by the applicable regulations. The calibration function shall have a determination coefficient of the regression of at least $R^2 = 0.9$. The calibration function shall be determined by parallel measurements carried out using a SRM.

Note 1: If the concentration in the field does not vary, the calibration function can be established in accordance with EN 14181 by additional use of zero and span values obtained in the field test.

Note 2: The determination coefficient R^2 is the square of the regression coefficient R .

Note 3: The case of quadratic calibration functions is described in EN 13284-2.

7.2 Response time

The response time shall meet the same performance criterion evaluated during the laboratory tests.

Note: The test for the response time is repeated during the field test, as field conditions can influence the response time.

7.3 Lack-of-fit

The lack-of-fit shall meet the same performance criterion evaluated during the laboratory tests.

Note 1: The test for the lack-of-fit is repeated during the field test, as field conditions can influence the lack-of-fit.

Note 2: There is no lack-of-fit requirement for Class 2 and Class 3 particulate monitors.

7.4 Maintenance interval

The minimum maintenance interval of the CEM shall meet the performance criterion specified in

Section 8.

7.5 Zero and span drift

The zero and span drift within the maintenance interval shall not exceed the performance criteria specified in Section 8. When selecting span materials (such as gases) during testing, the level of these materials shall be between 70 % and 90 % of the upper limit of the certification range.

Note: As field conditions can influence drift behaviour, tests for this characteristic are repeated during the field test.

7.6 Availability

The CEM shall have an availability which meets the requirements of applicable regulations and in any case, the performance criterion specified in Section 8 during the field test.

Note: If the CEM is not measuring the measured component for any reason, then it is not considered as being available for measurements. The CEM can be unavailable due to malfunctions, servicing and any kind of zero and span point evaluation and correction. Periods when the monitored process is not operating are excluded.

7.7 Reproducibility

The CEM shall meet the performance criterion for reproducibility under field conditions specified in Section 8.

7.8 Contamination check of in-situ systems

The response of the CEM to contamination of the optical components shall be determined in the field test by means of visual checks and, for example, by determining deviation from the rated values of the performance characteristic for the CEM.

If required, the CEM shall be provided with recommended air purging systems for three months as part of the field test. At the end of the test, the effect of contamination shall be evaluated. The results with clean and contaminated optical surfaces shall differ by no more than 2 % of the upper limit of the certification range.

8 Performance criteria specific to measured components

8.1 General

This section defines the performance criteria for CEMs specific to measured components. The values for individual parameters given in these sections are expressed as a percentage of the upper limit of the certification range of the CEM under test, with the exception of availability and calibration function.

Where regulations specify uncertainty requirements, CEMs shall meet both the individual performance criteria specified in this document and the uncertainty requirements required by the applicable regulations. The uncertainty budget shall be determined using the procedure described in Annex D.

8.2 Gas monitoring CEMs

8.2.1 Performance criteria

CEMs for measuring gaseous measured components shall meet the performance criteria specified in Table 1 and Table 2. The maximum allowable deviations (as absolute values) of the measured signals are given as volume concentration (volume fraction) for oxygen measuring CEM and as percentages of the upper limit of the certification range for other gases.

For CEMs which measure moisture as a means of providing data corrected to dry conditions, moisture shall be included as a measured component and the CEM shall meet the performance

criteria in Table 1 and Table 2. Table 1 shows the performance criteria, which are tested in the laboratory. Table 2 shows the performance criteria, which are tested during the three month field-test.

Table 1 - Performance criteria for gas monitoring CEMs in laboratory tests

Performance characteristic	Performance Criteria		Test in clause
	Gases except O ₂	O ₂ ^B	
Response time	< 200 s (< 400 s for NH ₃ , HCl and HF)	< 200 s	10.9
Repeatability standard deviation at zero point	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.10
Repeatability standard deviation at span point	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.11
Lack-of-fit (linearity)	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.12
Influence of ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range at zero point	< 5.0 % ^A	< 0.50 % ^B	10.14
Influence of ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range at span point	< 5.0 % ^A	< 0.50 % ^B	10.14
Influence of sample gas pressure at span point, for a pressure change Δp of 3 kPa	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.15
Influence of sample gas flow on extractive CEM for a given specification by the manufacturer	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.16
Influence of voltage, at –15 % and at +10 % from nominal supply voltage	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.17
Influence of vibration	< 2.0 % ^A	< 0.20 % ^B	10.18
Cross-sensitivity	< 4.0 % ^A	< 0.40 % ^B	10.19
Excursion of the measurement beam of cross-stack in-situ CEM	< 2.0 % ^A	–	10.20
Converter efficiency for CEM measuring NO _x	≥ 95.0 %	–	10.21
^A Percentage value as percentage of the upper limit of the certification range. ^B Percentage value as oxygen volume concentration (volume fraction).			

Table 2 — Performance criteria for gas monitoring CEMs in field tests

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria		Test in clause
	Gases except O ₂	O ₂	
Determination coefficient of calibration function, R^2	≥ 0.90	≥ 0.90	12.1
Availability	≥ 95.0 %	≥ 98,0 %	12.6
Lack-of-fit	≤ 2.0 % ^A	≤ 0.20 % ^B	12.3
Zero drift, within maintenance interval	≤ 3.0 % ^A	≤ 0.20 % ^B	12.5
Span drift, within maintenance interval	≤ 3.0 % ^A	≤ 0.20 % ^B	12.5
Reproducibility, R_{field}	≤ 3.3 % ^A	≤ 0.20 % ^B	12.7
Minimum maintenance interval	8 days	8 days	12.4
Response time	<200s (<400s for HCl, HF and NH ₃)	<200s	12.2
^A Percentage values as percentages of the upper limit of the certification range. ^B Percentage values as oxygen volume concentration (volume fraction).			

Note: The availability during operation is specified, for example in applicable EC Directives.

8.2.2 CEMs for total organic carbon

CEMs for measuring total organic carbon shall meet the performance criteria specified in Table 1 and Table 2. Furthermore, the performance criteria for the effect of oxygen and the response factors specified in Table 3 shall be applied in 10.22.

Table 3 — Performance criteria for CEMs measuring Total Organic Carbon (TOC) in laboratory tests

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria
Effect of oxygen	≤ 2 % ^A
Range of response factors:	
methane	0.9 to 1.2
aliphatic hydrocarbons	0.90 to 1.10
aromatic hydrocarbons	0.8 to 1.1
dichloromethane	0.75 to 1.15
aliphatic alcohols	0.7 to 1.0
esters and ketones	0.7 to 1.0
organic acids	0.5 to 1.0
A: Percentage value as percentage of the upper limit of the certification range.	

Note 1: EN 12619 specifies performance criteria including response factors for TOC analysers which use flame ionisation detection (FID), particularly when the FID is used as a SRM. However, the performance criteria in this

document apply to any techniques which can be used to measure TOC or a surrogate for TOC (for example, other techniques, such as Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) can be used to measure TOC if CEMs using other techniques meet the required performance criteria).

Note 2: TOC is measured as volatile organic carbon, as defined in EN 12619.

8.3 CEMs for monitoring particulate matter

CEMs for measuring particulate matter shall meet the performance criteria detailed in Table 4 and Table 5. The maximum allowable deviations (as absolute values) of the measured signals are given as percentages of the upper limit of the certification range. Table 4 details the performance criteria, which are tested in the laboratory. Table 5 details the performance criteria, which are tested during the three month field-test.

Table 4 — Performance criteria for particulate-monitoring CEMs in the laboratory tests

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria	Test in clause
Response time	< 200 s	10.9
Repeatability standard deviation at zero	< 2.0 % ^A	10.10
Repeatability standard deviation at span	< 5.0 % ^A	10.11
Lack-of-fit (linearity)	< 3.0 % ^A	10.12
Zero shift due to ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range	< 5.0 % ^A	10.14
Span shift due to ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range	< 5.0% ^A	10.14
Influence of voltage at +15 % and at –10 % from nominal supply voltage	< 2.0 % ^A	10.17
^A Percentage value as percentage of the upper limit of the certification range.		

Note 1: The response time does not apply to batch-measurement techniques such as beta-ray-attenuation.

Note 2: There are additional wind-tunnel tests for Class 2 and 3 particulate monitors. The test laboratory shall include the results of these tests in the test report.

Table 5 — Performance criteria for particulate monitoring CEMs in field tests

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria	Test in clause
Determination coefficient of calibration function, R^2	> 0.90	12.1
Response time	< 200 s	12.2
Lack-of-fit	< 3.0 %	12.3
Minimum maintenance interval	8 days	12.4
Zero drift, within maintenance interval	< 3.0 % ^A	12.5
Span drift, within maintenance interval	< 3.0 % ^A	12.5
Availability	> 95.0 %	12.6
Reproducibility, R_{field}		12.7
for concentrations > 20 mg/m ³	< 2.0 %	12.7
for concentrations ≤ 20 mg/m ³	< 3.3 %	12.7
^A The internal zero and external reference points shall not change by more than 3% in one week.		

Reference materials shall be assessed as appropriate to perform an AST linearity test for Class 1 particulate monitors.

8.4 Flow monitoring CEMs

CEMs for measuring gas flow shall meet the performance criteria specified in Table 6 and Table 7. The maximum allowable deviations (as absolute values) of the measured signals are given as percentages of the upper limit of the certification range. Table 6 details the performance criteria, which are tested in the laboratory. Table 7 details the performance criteria, which are tested during the three month field-test.

Table 6 — Performance criteria for CEMs monitoring gas flow in laboratory tests – according to EN 15267-3 and EN ISO 16911-2

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria	Test in clause
Response time	< 60 s	10.9
Repeatability standard deviation at zero	< 2.0 %	10.10
Repeatability standard deviation at upper reference point	< 2.0 %	10.11
Lack-of-fit	< 3.0 %	10.12
Zero shift due to ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range	< 5.0 %	10.14
Span shift due to ambient temperature change from 20 °C within specified range	< 5.0 %	10.14
Influence of voltage at +15 % and at –10 % from nominal supply voltage	< 2.0 %	10.17
Influence of vibration	< 2.0 %	10.18
Assessment of provisions to perform QAL3 checks	Pass	10.13
Assessment of provisions to perform lack-of-fit tests	Pass	10.12

Table 7 — Performance criteria for CEMs monitoring gas flow in field tests

Performance characteristic	Performance criteria	Test in clause
Determination coefficient of calibration function, R^2	> 0.90	12.1
Response time	< 60 s	12.2
Minimum maintenance interval	8 days	12.4
Zero drift, within maintenance interval	< 2.0 %	12.5
Span drift, within maintenance interval	< 4.0 %	12.5
Availability	> 95.0 %	12.6
Reproducibility, R_{field}	< 3.3 %	12.7

9 General test requirements

The test laboratory shall perform all relevant tests on two identical CEMs. These two CEMs have to be tested in the laboratory and field. Multiple-component CEMs shall meet the performance criteria on each individual measured component with all measurement channels operating simultaneously.

Note 1: The test is performed in such a way that the material under analysis (the measured component) is admitted to all measurement channels in the laboratory test and in the field test.

Changes in the environmental and test conditions shall not have a significant influence on the performance characteristic tested. Therefore, all environmental and test conditions which have an influence on the CEM shall be kept stable as far as practicable. The environmental and test conditions shall be recorded during the test. All test results shall be reported at standard conditions (0 °C, 101.3 kPa, dry gas).

The test laboratory shall evaluate the performance of the CEMs at the lowest certification range possible for the intended application chosen by the manufacturer. If the CEM is to be used for industrial plants requiring assurance over higher measurement ranges, then the test laboratory shall perform selected additional tests to demonstrate satisfactory performance over higher ranges. These additional tests shall at least include evaluations of the response time and lack-of-fit. Cross-sensitivity (see 10.19) has to be tested if the interferent concentrations at the industrial plant are higher than those in Table B.1.

Note 2: Certification range is selected by the manufacturer in consultation with the test laboratory.

The test requirements specified in clauses 10 to 13 are the minimum requirements. The tests are divided into two sections, covering general test requirements for all CEMs, followed by measured component specific test requirements. These shall include:

- a description of the test method;
- the evaluation procedure;
- assessment of performance against the relevant performance criterion;
- where appropriate, information on any specialised test equipment.

If a test requires two or more test cycles and the CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing for this performance characteristic may be omitted.

If a test requires several readings, the average of these readings shall be determined. If a test has to be repeated (several test cycles), the averages of the individual test cycles shall be determined

and shall meet the applicable performance criteria.

The expanded uncertainty of the concentration of test gases at a level of confidence of 95 % shall not exceed 3 %. For the lack-of-fit test, the bench shall provide gases, the concentration of which shall not have an expanded uncertainty of greater than 33 % of the lack-of-fit criterion.

Tests do not have to be performed in the numerical order in this document, as the selection of tests and their order depend on the characteristics and type of individual CEM. However, the first two laboratory tests using test gases are the response time test followed by the lack-of-fit test.

Note 3: The field test is usually carried out after all laboratory tests are passed.

Note 4: A short-term drift test performed after the response time test can show that drift is not influencing the results of the other tests. As a guideline, a short-term drift test could be 24 hours long, where a drift at zero and span point of more than 2 % of the upper limit of the certification range indicates that the CEM will not be sufficiently stable for the remainder of the tests.

The test laboratory shall document whether the CEM meets all of the relevant performance criteria, and shall record all environmental conditions pertaining during testing.

10 Test procedures for laboratory tests

10.1 CEM for testing

The test laboratory shall check whether the CEMs are complete and identical, by examining the appropriate parts, as specified in the manufacturer's documentation.

The test laboratory shall check that extractive CEMs have appropriate provisions for filtering solids, avoiding chemical reactions within the sampling system, entrainment effects and effective control of water condensate.

The test laboratory shall include diagrams and photographs of both CEMs, in the test report, and copies of the operating manual(s) for the CEMs.

Note 1: In addition to the analyser, a CEM can include the sampling probe, the sampling hose, the test-gas conditioning-facility, any special test components and the operating instructions.

The hardware used shall be photographed and the software version both established and recorded in the test report. Changes in the CEM configuration are not permitted during testing.

Note 2: Minor repairs needed to perform the test but without influence on the instrument performance can be carried out, and the test be continued.

10.2 CE labelling

If the CEM needs to comply with the requirements for CE labelling as specified in applicable EC Directives, then the test laboratory shall verify whether there is traceable evidence of compliance.

10.3 Security

The CEM shall be set up according to the operating instructions. The test laboratory shall then activate the security mechanisms provided by the CEM manufacturer to prevent inadvertent and unauthorised maladjustment. A check shall then be carried out to establish whether the security mechanisms operate effectively.

Note 1: Adjustment can include zero and span adjustments, deletion of data sets, changing averaging times and altering ranges.

Note 2: Security mechanisms can include a key or security codes programmed into the CEM which are keyed into the CEM before adjustments are permitted.

10.4 Output ranges and zero point

The test laboratory shall check whether the ranges on the CEM can be adjusted and whether such ranges are appropriate for the intended applications.

Note: The ELVs to be monitored with this CEM should be documented, together with an indication of the suitability of the CEM ranges for (i) applicable Chapters of the IED and (ii) other intended applications.

Using reference materials, and by adjusting the zero point on the CEM, the test laboratory shall check that the indicated zero point on the measurement display and output of the CEM is a true “living” zero, and that the CEM can display both positive and negative readings. The test laboratory shall use reference materials to verify that the output range is at least twice as great as the certification range.

10.5 Additional data outputs

The test laboratory shall check that the CEM is equipped with an additional data output which allows for example a recording system or computer to be connected. The test laboratory shall check that measurement signals displayed on the additional data output are the same results as those on the CEM. The test laboratory shall assess and describe in the test report the mechanism of the additional data output.

10.6 Display of operational status signals

The test laboratory shall assess whether the CEM has a means of displaying and providing data for recording the relevant operational status (for example standby, service, malfunction). The test laboratory shall then assess whether each operating mode is correctly identified and outputted by the CEM.

10.7 Prevention or compensation for optical contamination

For optical techniques, the test laboratory shall assess whether contamination of the optical boundary surfaces interferes with the measuring technique. If contamination interferes with the measuring technique, the effect of contamination on the performance of an optical instrument shall be determined by inserting an optical filter on the process side of the optical surfaces and monitoring the change in signal caused by such contamination.

The test should be repeated for both the transmitter and receiver optics and should be performed with an optical filter between 4 % and 10 % nominal opacity. If contamination compensation functions are available on the instruments these should be activated during the tests. For instruments with in-built contamination compensation, the absorption of the optical filter may be specified by the manufacturer to be larger than 10 % in order for the compensation capability of the instrument to be more fully tested. The influence of optical boundary surface soiling on the measurement signal shall be determined while taking into account the physical relationships, and quantified wherever possible through measurements.

There are many types of optical techniques and it is difficult to specify in detail the exact procedures for conducting this test. Therefore the test laboratory should have procedures and adjusting aids, (for example reference filter, homogeneous and inhomogeneous particulate coatings) for assessing the effect of soiling on different types of optical system, and then record the types of tests employed in the test report.

The process employed inside the CEM for monitoring the effect of contamination shall be described by the CEM manufacturer. This function shall be operable with the CEM installed and operational. The CEM shall also display when the function is working.

The test report shall contain a description of the CEM-specific method for monitoring soiling. Test results shall be presented in tabular form. The minimum and maximum deviation from rated value

shall be documented. The intervals for cleaning the optical boundary surfaces shall be specified for the operating conditions encountered in the performance test.

10.8 Degrees of protection provided by enclosures

The effect of liquid water on the CEM shall be assessed by inspection in relation to EN 60529. The CEM manufacturer shall provide the test laboratory with the report of testing of the enclosure according to EN 60529. The test laboratory shall assess this test report to ensure compliance with the requirements of 6.8.

10.9 Response time

The test laboratory shall determine the CEM response time using zero and span reference materials (see Figure 1). The zero and span reference materials shall be stable test gases when determining the response time of the gas-measuring CEM. The test shall be performed with dry and wet test gases.

Note 1: The zero and span material can include surrogates, such as filters.

Note 2: This test provides the initial stabilisation period, which is then used in other tests described in this document.

Note 3: This test can also be combined with the lack-of-fit test, using the highest concentration in the lack-of-fit test to determine the response time.

Note 4: The response time test is also repeated in the field as real waste gas conditions can influence response times.

The change from zero gas to span gas shall be made as instantly as is practicable, using a suitable valve. The valve outlet shall be mounted directly to the inlet of the sampling system, and both zero gas and span gas shall have the same means of supplying an excess of test gas, where the excess can be vented by using a tee piece. The gas flows of both zero gas and span gas shall be chosen in such a way that the dead time in the valve and tee can be neglected compared to the lag time of the analyser.

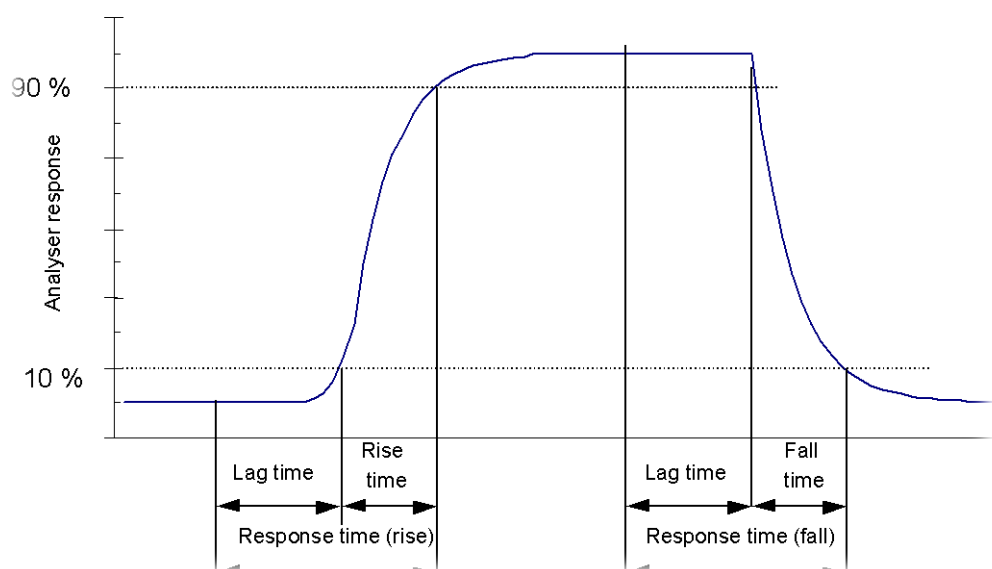
The step change shall be made by switching the valve from zero gas to span gas. This event shall be timed and is the start ($t = 0$) of the (rise) response time according to Figure 1. When the reading has stabilized, zero gas shall be applied again, and this event is the start ($t = 0$) of the (fall) response time according to Figure 1. When the reading has stabilized at zero, the whole cycle as shown in Figure 1 is complete.

The elapsed time (response time) between the start of the step change and reaching of 90 % of the CEM final stable reading of the applied concentration shall be determined for both the rise and fall modes.

The whole cycle shall be repeated four times with a time elapsed between two experiments of four times the response time or at least 10 minutes. If the CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing may be omitted.

The average of the response times (rise) and the average the response times (fall) shall be calculated. The larger value of the response time (rise) and the response time (fall) shall be used as the response time of the CEM and be compared with the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8.

Figure 1 — Diagram illustrating the response time



The relative difference in response times shall be calculated according to Equation (1):

$$t_d = \left| \frac{t_{\text{rise}} - t_{\text{fall}}}{t_{\text{rise}}} \right| \quad (1)$$

Where:

t_d is the relative difference between the response times determined in rise and fall mode;
 t_{rise} is the response time (rise);
 t_{fall} is the response time (fall).

The values of t_d , t_{rise} and t_{fall} shall be reported individually in the test report.

10.10 Repeatability standard deviation at zero point

The repeatability standard deviation at zero point shall be determined by application of a reference material at the zero point. If the repeatability standard deviation at zero point is determined during the lack-of-fit test, the reference material at zero concentration applied during the test shall be used.

The measured signals of the CEM at zero point shall be determined after application of the reference material by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording 20 consecutive individual readings.

In the case of oxygen sensors, a zero gas shall have a volume concentration of 0.2 % oxygen. Some oxygen analysers, such as those based on Zirconia sensors, are not suited to responding to pure zero gases. Therefore a lower volume concentration of 2 % is to be used.

This data is then used to determine the repeatability standard deviation at zero point using Equation (2):

$$s_r = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}} \quad (2)$$

Where:

s_r is the repeatability standard deviation;
 x_i is the i th measurement;
 \bar{x} is the average of the 20 measurements x_i ;
 n is the number of measurements, $n = 20$.

The repeatability standard deviation at span shall meet the performance criterion specified in Table 1.

10.11 Repeatability standard deviation at span point

The repeatability standard deviation at span point shall be determined by application of a reference material at the span point. If the repeatability standard deviation at span point is determined during the lack-of-fit test, the highest value of reference material applied during the test shall be used.

The measured signals of the CEM at span point shall be determined after application of the reference material by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording 20 consecutive individual readings. These data are then used to determine the repeatability standard deviation at span using Equation (3).

$$s_r = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}} \quad (3)$$

Where:

s_r is the repeatability standard deviation;
 x_i is the i th measurement;
 \bar{x} is the average of the 20 measurements x_i ;
 n is the number of measurements, $n = 20$.

The repeatability standard deviation at span shall meet the performance criterion specified in Table 1.

10.12 Lack-of-fit

The test laboratory shall perform the lack-of-fit test according to Annex C. The linearity of the response of the CEM shall be checked using at least seven different reference materials, including a zero concentration.

This test requires:

- a gas mixing system compliant with national standards and with a maximum expanded uncertainty of 33 % of the lack-of-fit criterion;
- test standards (for example zero gas, test gas of suitable concentration, reference materials);
- a data recording system.

The reference material with zero concentration, as well as the reference materials shall have a verifiable quantity and quality.

Gaseous reference materials can be obtained from different gas cylinders or can be prepared by means of a calibrated dilution system from one single gas concentration. The test gas concentrations

shall be selected such that the measured values are equally spaced over the certification range. It is necessary to know the values of the ratios of their concentrations precisely enough so that an incorrect failure of the lack-of-fit test does not occur. The dry or wet test gases shall be applied to the inlet of the CEM. The reference materials shall be applied in an order, which avoids hysteresis effects.

For the application of seven reference materials, avoidance of hysteresis effects can be achieved, for example, by the following sequence:

- reference material with zero concentration;
- reference material concentration approximately 70 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material concentration approximately 40 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material with zero concentration;
- reference material concentration approximately 60 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material concentration approximately 10 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material concentration approximately 30 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material concentration approximately 90 % of the upper limit of the certification range;
- reference material with zero concentration.

After each change in concentration, the measured signals of the CEM shall be determined by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged.

The test shall be repeated three times. If the CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing may be omitted.

Note 1: This procedure means that the quality of the reference material can influence the result of the tests. It should be noted, however, that it is the result that leads to a pass or failure in the test. In some cases, a reference material with a higher quality can change the result from fail to pass.

Note 2: Special care should be taken, when handling NH_3 , HCl or HF in dry gases. For example, particular surface reactions in tubing can result in a very long response time, which is not representative of the response time for humid gases.

Note 3: Where no other method is practicable, the linearity test can also be performed with the aid of reference materials, such as grating filters or gas filters.

Note 4: The reference material at zero concentration applied during the lack-of-fit test can also be used to determine the repeatability standard deviation at zero point (see 10.10).

Note 5: The highest value of reference material applied during the lack-of-fit test can also be used to determine the repeatability standard deviation at span point (see 10.11).

Note 6: This test is performed in the same way for supplementary ranges (see 5.2.2).

The lack-of-fit shall be evaluated according to Annex C. In this test procedure, a regression line is established between the instrument readings of the CEM (x values) and the reference material values (c values). In the next step, the average of CEM readings at each level is calculated. Then the deviation (residual) of this average to the regression line is calculated.

The relative residuals dc_{rel} shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8 for all reference materials applied. Test records, raw data and results of CEM characteristics shall be documented. The individual values shall be presented together with a statement of the test period for each CEM. The test set-up and ambient conditions shall also be documented.

10.13 Zero and span drift

The aim of this test is to determine that the CEM allows the recording of zero and span drift to satisfy the QAL3 requirements according to EN 14181.

Note: A short-term drift test performed after the response time test can show that drift is not influencing the results of the other tests. As a guideline, a short-term drift test could be 24 hours long, where a drift at zero and span point of more than 2 % of the upper limit of the certification range indicates that the CEM will not be sufficiently stable for the remainder of the tests. Zero and span point drift are checked individually. Span point drift is not corrected for zero point drift.

If the CEM has an automatic mechanism for correcting drift, then the test laboratory shall verify its effectiveness by simulating drift by a procedure agreed between the manufacturer and test laboratory. Following any automatic corrections, the test laboratory shall check the zero point and span points using reference materials, and verify the accuracy of these readings.

The test laboratory shall check that the CEM indicates a fault and/or a need for maintenance, if the automatic adjustment is not capable of bringing the CEM within normal operational conditions. In the test report, the test laboratory shall describe any mechanisms for automatic corrections of drift, the data recorded during the simulated drift checks and the maintenance interval.

If the QAL3 procedure described in EN 14181 is incorporated within the CEM, this procedure shall be assessed by the test laboratory.

10.14 Influence of ambient temperature

The test laboratory shall determine how the zero and span values of the CEM are influenced by changes in ambient temperature by using a climatic chamber which can control ambient temperature from -20°C to $+50^{\circ}\text{C}$, within limits of $\pm 1.0\text{ K}$.

In the case of CEM installed outdoors, the following temperatures shall be set in the climatic chamber in the given order of sequence:

$20^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 0^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow -20^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 20^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 50^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 20^{\circ}\text{C}$.

In the case of CEM installed at temperature-controlled locations, the following temperatures shall be set in the given order of sequence:

$20^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 5^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 20^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 40^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow 20^{\circ}\text{C}$.

After a sufficient equilibration period, the measured signals of the CEM at zero point and at span point shall be determined at each temperature by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged.

The test laboratory shall wait at least six hours between each temperature change in the environmental chamber, to allow the CEM to equilibrate, before taking further readings. Once the test laboratory has completed one cycle, the test shall be repeated over two more temperature cycles. Alternatively, the test laboratory may monitor the reading from the CEM following each temperature change. If the instrument stabilises in less than six hours, then the test laboratory may reduce the equilibration period. However, the test laboratory shall record objective and verifiable evidence to support this.

The CEM shall remain switched on when varying the ambient temperature in the environmental chamber.

The deviations between the average reading at each temperature and the average reading at 20°C shall be determined. The deviations shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8 for all temperatures.

The test shall be repeated three times at the zero point and three times at the span point. If the

CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing may be omitted. The individual readings, averages and deviations at each temperature as well as the maximum deviation at zero point and at span point shall be reported. In addition, the test laboratory shall determine and report the maximum sensitivity coefficient for the temperature dependence. The sensitivity coefficients at each temperature shall be calculated by Equation (4):

$$b_t = \frac{(c_n - c_{n-1})}{(T_n - T_{n-1})} \quad (4)$$

Where:

b_t is the ambient temperature dependence;
 c_n is the average concentration of the measurements at temperature T_n ;
 c_{n-1} is the average concentration of the measurements at temperature T_{n-1} ;
 T_n is the current temperature in the test cycle;
 T_{n-1} is the previous temperature in the test cycle.

The test laboratory shall document the minimum and maximum deviations from the performance criterion.

Note 2: A graph showing the results of the examination can be provided in the report.

10.15 Influence of sample gas pressure

The test laboratory shall determine the influence of variations in sample gas pressure on the response of the CEM. The sample shall be nitrogen containing the measured component at a concentration of between 70 % and 90 % of the upper limit of the certification range.

Note: The effect of sample gas pressure typically applies to in-situ CEMs, but not to extractive CEMs, since the sample gas is conditioned and typically not subject to significant variations of temperature and pressure once within the analyser. The test laboratory shall measure the output signal of the CEM when the sample gas pressure is at:

- the ambient atmospheric pressure;
- approximately 3 kPa above ambient atmospheric pressure, within limits of ± 0.2 kPa;
- approximately 3 kPa below ambient atmospheric pressure, within limits of ± 0.2 kPa.

During the measurement period the temperature shall be held stable to within ± 1 K. The measured signals of the CEM shall be determined at each pressure by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged.

The deviations between the average reading at each pressure and the average reading at the ambient atmospheric pressure shall be determined. The deviations shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8. The individual readings, averages and deviations at each pressure as well as the maximum deviation shall be reported.

In addition, the test laboratory shall determine and report the sensitivity coefficient for the pressure dependence. The sensitivity coefficient shall be calculated by Equation (5):

$$b_{sp} = \frac{(c_2 - c_1)}{(p_2 - p_1)} \quad (5)$$

Where:

b_{sp} is the sample gas pressure influence;

c_1	is the average concentration of the measurements at sample gas pressure p_1 ;
c_2	is the average concentration of the measurements at sample gas pressure p_2 ;
c	is the concentration of the applied gas;
p_1	is the first sample gas pressure;
p_2	is the second sample gas pressure.

10.16 Influence of the sample gas flow for extractive CEMs

The CEM shall initially be operated with the flow rate prescribed by the manufacturer. This flow rate shall then be changed to the lowest flow rate specified by the manufacturer.

Note: Influence of the sample gas flow typically applies to extractive CEMs, since most in-situ CEMs are not influenced by flow rate.

If the manufacturer's documentation permits only minor tolerances these are binding and shall not be extended. The measured signals of the CEM at span point shall be determined at both flow rates by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged. The deviation between the average readings at both flow rates shall be determined. The deviation shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8.

The test laboratory shall repeat this test three times at the zero point and three times at the span point. If the CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing may be omitted. The individual readings, averages and the deviations as well as the maximum deviation shall be reported. The functionality of the status signal shall be tested at the same time. In addition, the test laboratory shall determine and report the sensitivity coefficient for the flow rate dependence. The sensitivity coefficient shall be calculated by Equation (6):

$$b_{sf} = \left| \frac{c_{SF1} - c_{SF2}}{SF_1 - SF_2} \right| \quad (6)$$

The influence on the measurement uncertainty shall be calculated according EN ISO 14956 by Equation (7):

$$u(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta x_p^2 + (\Delta x_p)(\Delta x_n) + \Delta x_n^2}{3}} \quad (7)$$

Assuming a constant (maximum) deviation, then:

Δx_p is the deviation of the measured signal at upper limit flow rate for meeting specification; and

Δx_n is the deviation of the measured signal at lower limit flow rate for meeting specification.

10.17 Influence of voltage variations

The test laboratory shall vary the supply voltage to the CEM, using an isolating transformer, in steps of 5 % from the nominal supply voltage to at least the upper and the lower limits specified in Section 8. The measured signals of the CEM at zero point and at span point shall be determined at each voltage by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged.

Note: After changes in voltage the CEM may need time to stabilize.

The deviations between the average reading at each voltage and the average reading at the

nominal supply voltage shall be determined. The deviations shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8 for all voltages.

This test shall be repeated three times at the zero point and three times at the span point. If the CEM meets the performance criterion by a factor of two or more for the first test then any subsequent testing may be omitted. The individual readings, averages and deviations at each voltage as well as the maximum deviation at zero point and at span point shall be reported.

In addition, the test laboratory shall determine and report the sensitivity coefficient for the voltage dependence. The sensitivity coefficient shall be calculated by Equation (8):

$$b_v = \frac{(c_2 - c_1)}{(U_2 - U_1)} \quad (8)$$

Where:

b_v is the voltage dependence;
 c_1 is the average concentration reading of the measurements at voltage U_1 ;
 c_2 is the average concentration reading of the measurements at voltage U_2 ;
 U_1 is the minimum voltage specified by the manufacturer;
 U_2 is the maximum voltage specified by the manufacturer.

For reporting the voltage dependence, the highest value of the results at zero and span point shall be taken.

10.18 Influence of vibration

The CEM shall be examined in the laboratory and in the field in respect of whether normal vibrations affect the performance of the CEM. If the conditions of use specified by the manufacturer demand that a vibration test be performed, the measured signals of the CEM at zero point and at span point shall be determined before and after the vibration test by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings.

The vibration test, if required, shall be applied to duct-mounted parts of the CEM only and shall be made with reference to IEC 60068-1 and the appropriate sections of IEC 60068-2. The instrument shall be subjected to vibration on three perpendicular axes in turn, with a swept range of frequencies from 10 Hz to 160 Hz at one octave per minute and at a vibration acceleration chosen by the manufacturer and assessed by the test laboratory to be proper for the application that the CEM is intended for. If any resonant frequencies are observed, a vibration test shall be carried out at each observed frequency for a period of two minutes.

This shall be followed by a functional test. If no resonant frequencies are observed, a vibration test shall be made at a frequency of 25 Hz for a period of two minutes. This shall be followed by a functional test. Any influence on the CEM from vibrations and from the service position at the site of installation shall be assessed. Remedial measures having proved necessary in field testing shall be described.

The deviations between the average readings before and after the vibration tests shall be determined. All deviations shall meet the applicable performance criteria specified in Section 8. The individual readings, averages and deviations at each vibration test as well as the maximum deviation shall be reported.

10.19 Cross-sensitivity

The influence of potentially interfering substances also present in the waste gas shall be

determined by admitting test gas mixtures to the input of the complete CEM (upstream of the test gas cooler, where present). The gas mixtures shall be produced with a mixing system in which an interferent is added to the gases for zero point and span point. The mixing system shall be compliant with national standards and shall have a maximum expanded uncertainty of 1 %. Reference materials (for example gases) shall be certified (traceable to national standards) and shall have an expanded uncertainty no greater than 2 %.

Interferents and their concentrations are defined in relation to the measuring principle and the intended measurement objective. The interferents listed in Annex B shall be examined. The interferents shall be admitted individually.

Test gas without interferent and then with the interferent shall be applied. The measured signals of the CEM shall be determined for each test gas by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged. The deviations between the average reading with and the average reading without the interferent present at the zero point and span point shall be determined for each interferent.

All positive deviations above 0.5 % of the span gas concentration shall be summed and all negative deviations below -0.5 % of the span gas concentration shall be summed at both the zero point and span point. The maximum of the absolute values of the four summations shall meet the performance criteria specified in Section 8.

For total organic carbon CEMs, the influence of oxygen shall be additionally examined at zero point and span point for an oxygen volume concentration of 3 % and 21 %. Propane should be used as a span gas. The deviation between the average readings at the zero point obtained with an oxygen volume concentration of 3 % and 21 %, and the deviation between the average readings at the span point obtained with an oxygen volume concentration of 3 % and 21 % shall be determined. Both deviations shall meet the performance criteria specified in Section 8.

The individual readings, averages and deviations at zero point and span point and for all interferents as well as the maximum deviation shall be reported.

10.20 Excursion of measurement beam of cross-stack in-situ CEM

The test laboratory shall gradually and precisely deflect the transmitter and receiver assemblies of the CEM in the horizontal and vertical planes, and then record the measured signals using reference materials.

Note 1: This test typically applies to cross-stack in-situ optical techniques. The test also applies to extractive CEMs with separate transmitter and receiver assemblies.

Note 2: This testing requires calibration standards (for example reference filters) and an optical bench.

Note 3: Typically the experimental path length for this test is 2 m to 3 m, although the test should be performed at the maximum path length practical.

Deflections shall be carried out for both the position of the zero point, as well as for that of a span point for approx. 70 % to 90 % of the output range over two typical measurement path lengths. The deflection is to be performed in incremental steps of approximately 0.05° in the angle range demanded.

The range of deflection shall be equal to at least twice the angle specified by the manufacturer. It should also be tested as far as the deflection limit permitted by the assemblies - if necessary in larger increments. The efficiency of any manual optical adjustment facilities shall be examined at least in qualitative terms. Automatic adjustment processes shall be activated and included in the test.

The measured signals obtained for the various test steps shall be included in tabular form in the test report. These measured signals shall be paired up with the deflection angles. The maximum permissible deflection angles shall be stated within which the CEM satisfies the performance criterion. In the case of automatically aligning CEM, the manner of operation shall be described and verified by means of test results.

10.21 Converter efficiency for NO_x CEM

The test laboratory shall determine the efficiency of the NO_x converter before and after the field test by carrying out the following procedure. The following equipment is required:

- a source of nitrogen monoxide, such as a compressed gas cylinder containing nitrogen monoxide in nitrogen at a concentration of the order of 80 % of the upper limit of the certification range; the actual concentration needs not be known provided that it remains constant throughout the test;
- a source of oxygen, such as a compressed gas cylinder containing air or oxygen;
- an ozone generator, capable of providing varying amounts of ozone from oxygen.

The test laboratory shall ensure that the total flow rate of nitrogen monoxide and air (or oxygen) is greater than the flow rate of gas through the analyser. In all of the following steps, determine the responses of the analyser to both the nitrogen monoxide and total NO_x.

Note 1: This procedure evaluates the concentration of nitrogen dioxide being produced, which should be in the range 10 % to 90 % of the NO_x.

Turn off the ozone generator. Then the concentration $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,0}$ of total NO_x and the concentration $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{,0}$ of NO shall be determined by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading, then recording three consecutive individual readings and averaging the three individual readings for each concentration.

Turn on the ozone generator and vary the output of the ozone generator to obtain at least five different ozone concentrations. Then the displayed concentrations of total NO_x ($^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,1}$, $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,2}$, ..., $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,n}$) and nitrogen monoxide ($^{\circ}\text{NO}_{,1}$, $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{,2}$, ..., $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{,n}$) shall be determined by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading, then recording three consecutive individual readings and averaging the three individual readings for each concentration.

Note 2: Ozone is formed which reacts with the nitrogen monoxide to produce nitrogen dioxide before the gases enter the analyser

Calculate the ratios $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,1} / ^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,0}$, $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,2} / ^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,0}$, ..., $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,n} / ^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x,0}$ which should be as close to unity as possible. Therefore, the concentration of total NO_x should be constant in each case and independent of the ratio of the concentrations of nitrogen dioxide to nitrogen monoxide.

Calculate the converter efficiency E_i for each ozone concentration, expressed as a percentage, using Equation (9):

$$C_i = \frac{(c_{\text{NO}_x, i} - c_{\text{NO}, i}) - (c_{\text{NO}_x, 0} - c_{\text{NO}, 0})}{c_{\text{NO}, 0} - c_{\text{NO}, i}} \times 100 \% \quad (9)$$

Where:

- C_i is the converter efficiency at setting i of the ozone generator;
 $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{x, 0}$ is the concentration of total NO_x with ozone generator switched-off;
 $^{\circ}\text{NO}_{, 0}$ is the concentration of NO with ozone generator switched-off;

$c_{\text{NO}_x, i}$ is the concentration of total NO_x with ozone generator at setting i ($i = 1$ to n);
 $c_{\text{NO}, i}$ is the concentration of NO with ozone generator at setting i ($i = 1$ to n);

All converter efficiencies shall meet the performance criterion specified in Table 1.
The results shall be presented in tabular form.

Note 3: Determination of converter efficiency with other methods is acceptable for converter test during AST specified in EN 14181, if these methods are well described in the AST report.

10.22 Response factors

The response factors (weighting factors) for total organic carbon measuring CEMs shall be evaluated using defined test gas concentrations admitted to the CEM from test gas containers or by evaporating produced mixtures. This test requires certified reference materials and a gas-mixing system compliant with national standards and with an expanded uncertainty no greater than 2 % of the combined concentration. The evaluation shall cover at least the following organic compounds, as specified in EN 12619:

- methane
- ethane
- benzene
- toluene
- dichloromethane
- the test gas mixture specified in EN 12619 (methane, ethane, toluene, benzene, dichloromethane, oxygen, carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen).

For total organic carbon measuring CEM for use in measuring emissions from waste incinerators, the response factors of the following organic compounds shall also be evaluated:

- propane
- ethyne
- ethyl benzene
- p-xylene
- chlorobenzene
- tetrachloroethylene
- n-butane
- n-hexane
- n-octane
- isooctane
- propene
- methanol
- butanol
- acetic acid
- acetic acid methyl ester
- trichloromethane
- trichloroethylene

The measured signals of the CEM shall be determined for propane and for each organic compound by waiting the time equivalent to one independent reading and then recording three consecutive individual readings. The three individual readings shall be averaged for propane and for each organic compound.

The response factor shall be calculated as the quotient from the indicated value and specified value and be determined according to the procedure described in EN 12619. From the response factors

the mean, the standard deviation and the relative standard deviation shall be calculated.

11 Requirements for field tests

11.1 Provisions

The field test is an endurance test on an industrial facility appropriate to the CEM's field of application. When selecting the industrial facility, the test laboratory shall ensure that the mass concentrations of the measured component are available in a concentration sufficient to assess the measurement results. This is usually the case if the mass concentration is in the range of 30 % to about 100 % of the daily ELV being monitored. The measurement site shall be selected in accordance with EN 15259. The field test shall be performed with two complete and identical CEMs under repeatability conditions. Any additional equipment required is specified in the various test procedures.

In the case of in-situ measuring methods, the two CEMs shall be arranged in such a way that a representative measurement is ensured for both CEMs in the same measurement cross section. In exceptional cases which shall be justified, a common sampling system may be used for both CEMs under test.

Note: For example, in the field test on a plant exhibiting only slight variation from the pollutant concentration being measured and therefore requiring the addition, i.e. input of high concentrations, of the measured component into the sample gas flow.

11.2 Field test duration

The field test duration shall be at least three months and shall not be interrupted. Only in exceptional cases, which shall be justified (for example in the case of operation-related interruptions or change of site), shorter testing periods may be included in the field test. The total duration of the shorter testing periods shall be at least three months. During the field test, the performance criteria shall be determined under near-practice and realistic conditions.

The measured signals from both CEMs throughout the field test shall be recorded as one minute values. Depending on the task, internal test cycles shall be separately recorded and assessed. The test laboratory shall document and maintain records of all data from the field test.

12 Test procedures common to all CEMs for field tests

12.1 Calibration function

The test laboratory shall determine the calibration function for the individual measured components of the CEM during the field test, by performing parallel measurements with the SRM. The calibration function shall be determined on the basis of at least 15 measurements in accordance with EN 14181.

The calibration function shall be determined twice; once at the beginning and once again at the end of the field test, although the calibration function is not applied to the CEM for the remainder of the field test, so that both calibration functions are independent. Both of the independent calibration functions shall meet the performance criteria for measurement uncertainty specified in the applicable regulations. The peripheral parameters (for example moisture content, temperature and oxygen content) used to standardise the measured results should be the same for the CEM and SRM measured values to calculate the variability only for the tested CEM without influence of peripheral parameters. Furthermore, the validity of the second calibration function shall be assessed according to Equation (18) of EN 14181 by use of all results of the parallel measurements. The sampling point for the CEM shall be selected in accordance with EN 15259.

Note: Compliance with EN 15259 for the selection of the CEM sampling point eliminates or at least minimises any systematic deviation caused by spatial and temporary variations in the mass concentration or volumetric

concentration of individual measured components.

In the case of a CEM which uses a new technique to measure particulate matter, where the CEM has not been certified under the conditions of this standard before, basic calibration shall be conducted in a wind tunnel prior to field testing. This basic calibration shall show that the CEM can be calibrated under ideal conditions and that the measurement process is usable in practice.

The calibration function during basic calibration can be determined by admitting a known quality and quantity of test dust into the wind tunnel. Several test dust concentrations evenly distributed across the measuring range will be selected for this purpose. The comparative measurements in the wind tunnel shall be conducted in accordance with EN 13284-1 and EN 13284-2.

If any effects of waste gas temperature and pressure are observed during the field tests, the test laboratory shall note these effects in the test report.

12.2 Response time

The test laboratory shall evaluate the response time by admitting reference material at the zero and span points to the input of the complete CEM. The test shall be performed at least two times, once at the beginning and once at the end of the field test, using the procedures described in 10.9. The response time test should be carried out at approximately the beginning and end of the field test.

Note: The test laboratory can combine this test with the test for lack-of-fit, using the procedures described in 10.9 and 10.12.

12.3 Lack-of-fit

The lack-of-fit shall be determined at least twice during the field test, using the procedures described in 10.12. This is done to provide information for the AST as required by EN 14181. The residuals of the average concentration at each concentration level to the regression line relative to the upper limit of the certification range shall meet the performance criterion specified in Section 8.

12.4 Maintenance interval

The test laboratory shall determine the maintenance work that is necessary for the CEM to work properly as well as the intervals at which such maintenance work shall be performed. The recommendations of the instrument manufacturer should be taken into account. If the CEM does not require any service, the maintenance interval is determined by the drift behaviour.

In order to determine drift behaviour, the CEM shall be adjusted at the start of testing with the relevant test gases and test filters. The zero and span points shall be checked at regular intervals (for example once a week) during the further course of testing. The maintenance interval shall be defined as the time period between the start of the test and the last time when the deviation remained within the permissible drift.

The maintenance interval shall be derived from the shortest interval between the requisite maintenance work operations. This also includes manual as well as automatic zero and span point checks. The maximum allowable maintenance interval for a three-month field test shall be one month. Extending the maintenance interval to one year necessitates long-term studies as specified in Table 8. The test laboratory shall describe the minimum amount of maintenance work to be performed within the maintenance interval.

Table 8 — Maximum allowable maintenance intervals

Field test duration	Maximum allowable maintenance interval
3 months	1 month
6 months	3 months
12 months	6 months
24 months	12 months

12.5 Change in zero point and span point over time

The test shall be performed using two CEMs of identical design as part of the field test in the form of paired measurements in the smallest measuring range tested. The position of the zero point and of the span point shall be determined 10 times manually on a pollutant-free measurement section, if necessary using the test standard provided with the CEM, at intervals of a maximum of four weeks over the period of the field test. A different interval may also be selected in substantiated cases.

In the case of CEMs with automatic recording of zero point and span point drift, the display readings shall also be acquired and recorded over the period intended for the maintenance interval as well as over the period of the field test.

Manual re-adjustment to the CEM characteristic at the zero point or at the span point shall only be permissible if the test laboratory establishes that the permissible level of drift is exceeded during an inspection interval. The maintenance work operations defined by the manufacturer of the CEM shall be performed at the prescribed intervals and included in the test.

All manually determined zero point and span point values are used for the purpose of evaluation and presented in tabular form together with the associated times. CEM-internal control values issued automatically by the CEM as signal values are checked for adherence to the permissible levels of drift.

The time between two test intervals in which drift is exceeded shall, if necessary, be established. This is based on the levels of drift permitted under current performance criteria. Both the manually determined zero point and span point values as well as any control values displayed automatically by the CEM shall be assessed. The minimum and maximum deviation from rated value shall be documented.

In the case of CEMs with automatic zero-point and reference-point correction facility, the maximum technically permissible amount of correction shall be specified or determined from the test results. The levels of drift for the zero point shall be related to the relevant measuring range and those for the span point to the rated value.

Drift of zero point and span point during the maintenance interval shall be recorded for calculation of the influence on measurement uncertainty.

12.6 Availability

The test laboratory shall determine the availability of the CEM by recording the duration of the field test and all interruptions to the normal monitoring functionality of the CEM.

Note: Interruptions include malfunctions, servicing work, zero and span point checks.

The availability V in per cent shall be determined using Equation (10) with the aid of the total operating time t_{tot} and the outage time t_{out} :

$$V = \frac{t_{\text{tot}} - t_{\text{out}}}{t_{\text{tot}}} \times 100\% \quad (10)$$

The test laboratory shall summarise the results in a table. Table 9 provides an example.

Table 9 — Summary of availability test results

	CEM 1	CEM 2
Total operating time t_{tot}		
Outage time t_{out} – CEM internal setting times – CEM malfunction and repairs – Maintenance,		
Availability V		

The test records with the raw data and results shall be documented.

12.7 Reproducibility

The test laboratory shall determine the CEM's reproducibility during the three-month field test from simultaneous, continuous measurements by means of two identical CEMs at the same measurement point (paired measurements) and an electronic data recording system with a memory capacity of at least four weeks and a sampling rate of at least four times during the CEM averaging period.

The test shall be carried out in the smallest measuring range under test. When selecting the plant, it is necessary to ensure that in the range of 30 % to about 100 % of the upper limit of the measuring range the mass concentrations of the measured component are available in a concentration sufficient to assess the measured results.

The measured signals of both CEM (raw values as analogue or digital output signals without any conversion) shall be recorded as individual values (for example minute mean values) on an electronic data register. The relevant status signals, such as measurement, malfunction and maintenance, shall also be recorded. Taking into account status signals, the individual values shall be condensed into half-hour mean values, provided that for each half-hour a minimum of 20 minutes are covered by individual values. Measured signals from malfunction, maintenance or test cycles taking place in the CEM shall not be taken into consideration for evaluation.

In specific cases, shorter averaging time of measured value pairs, for example 10 minutes, may be used, if the measured component has to be evaluated on this averaging time (for example for CO), or if higher concentrations of the measured component are not available over prolonged intervals as a result of the dynamics of the emission profile.

At the end of the field test, the reproducibility shall be calculated on the basis of all valid paired values, i.e. the condensed measured signals from the CEM, accrued throughout the entire period of the field test with both CEM in accordance with Equation (11) using the standard deviation of the difference of the paired measurements as given by Equation (12) and with a statistical confidence of 95 % for the t -distribution (two-sided):

$$R_{\text{field}} = t_{n-1; 0,95} \times s_D \quad (11)$$

$$s_D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{1,i} - x_{2,i})^2}{2n}} \quad (12)$$

Where:

R_{field} is the reproducibility under field conditions;

$t_{n-1; 0,95}$ is the two-sided Students t -factor at a confidence level of 95 % with a number of degrees of freedom $n-1$;

s_D is the standard deviation of the difference of paired measurements;

$x_{1,i}$ is the i th measured signal of the first measuring system;

$x_{2,i}$ is the i th measured signal of the second measuring system;

n is the number of parallel measurements.

Note: The determination of the reproducibility under field conditions is in accordance with ISO 5725-2.

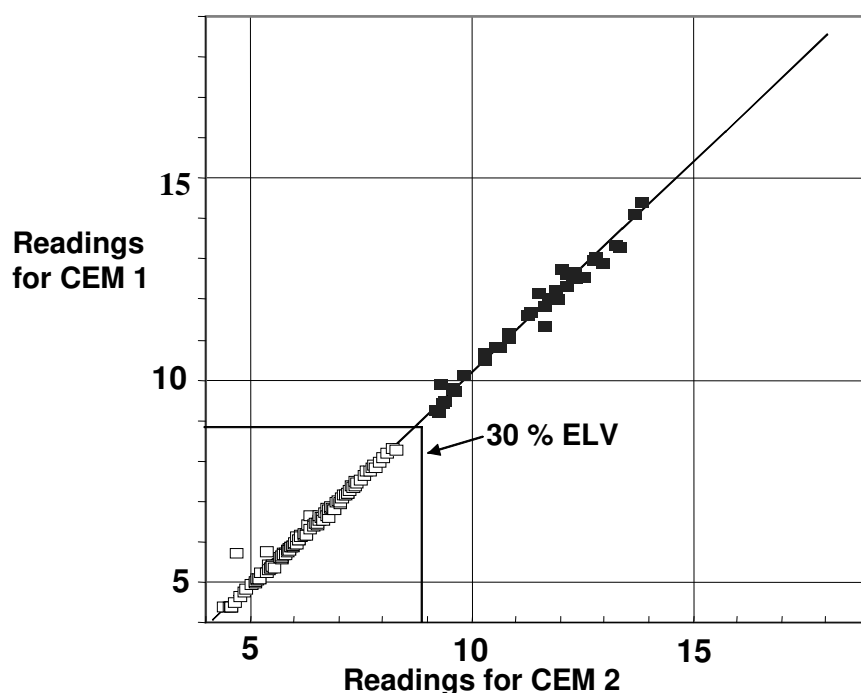
In the report of the suitability test, all paired values used for calculating reproducibility shall be sorted by magnitude. Furthermore, the paired values shall be plotted on a graph in accordance with Figure 2.

In the graph, the measured value pairs below 30 % of the limit value shall be identified separately. When presenting the calculations for reproducibility, the test laboratory shall show the following information within a table:

- concentration range of value pairs (for example in mg/m^3);
- number of value pairs above 30 % of the limit value;
- number of value pairs below 30 % of the limit value;
- total number of valid value pairs in the test period;
- reproducibility under field conditions, related to the measuring signal range (for example 4 mA to 20 mA for analogue outputs);
- measurement range (for example 4 mA to 20 mA, or 0 mg/m^3 to 50 mg/m^3).

The test laboratory shall record the standard deviation from the paired measurement values, when calculating the uncertainty.

Figure 2 — Graphical representation of measured signals used for determination of reproducibility under field conditions



Symbols:

- $X_{1,i}$, $X_{2,i}$ measured signals from the first and second CEM
- MR measuring range (4 mA to 20 mA)
- regression line
- measured signals not used for evaluation
- measured signals used for evaluation

12.8 Contamination check of in-situ systems

To evaluate the likelihood of contamination problems occurring in plant conditions and the performance of any contamination compensation features in the field test, the test laboratory shall determine the functionality and reliability of anti-contamination and de-contamination functions during the field test by regularly checking the state of contamination of the optical boundary surfaces. Any relationship between the degree of soiling and the resultant measurement error should be quantified.

The response of the CEM to soiling shall be determined in the field test by means of visual checks and, for example, by determining deviation from the rated values of the CEM characteristic.

If required, the CEM shall be provided with recommended air purging systems for three months as part of the field test. At the end of the test, the effect of contamination shall be evaluated by removing the sensor from the duct and monitoring the instrument output with an external span material being inserted in the measuring volume. The optical surfaces shall then be cleaned. After self-check and correction initiated automatically or manually by the test laboratory, the output signal has to be checked with the same span material. The results with clean and soiled optical surfaces shall differ by no more than 2 % of the upper limit of the certification range.

The test report shall contain a description of the CEM-specific method for monitoring soiling. Test results shall be presented in tabular form. The minimum and maximum deviation from rated value shall be documented. The intervals for cleaning the optical boundary surfaces shall be specified for the operating conditions encountered in the suitability test.

13 Test procedures for particulate-monitoring CEMs

13.1 Lack-of-fit for particulate-monitoring CEMs

The test laboratory shall determine the lack-of-fit of particulate CEM using appropriate reference materials. These reference materials shall be provided by the CEM manufacturer. The test laboratory shall assess that the chosen reference material applied to the CEM as an independent check of the instrument's operation is capable of monitoring any credible change in instrument response not caused by changes in the measured component or stack condition.

Note: The linearity of the characteristic of CEM for particulate emissions can in general only be tested with test standards that generate a suitable measured signal in the output range.

The test laboratory shall determine the lack-of-fit with at least four values including zero distributed evenly over the measuring range. In the case of flow sampling methods, comparable reference materials shall be used that are appropriate to the particular measuring technique concerned. The lack-of-fit test shall be performed at the start and at the end of the field test. If test signals are unstable in relation to time, the respective measured value shall be tested for constancy with the aid of the data recording system.

The test results, together with all individual values and computed deviations, shall be presented in tabular form in the concluding report of the suitability test. Presentation of results in graph form is normally not necessary on account of the few graduations available over the measuring range. The values shall normally be shown as the raw analogue or digital output signals from the CEM.

13.2 Extractive CEMs for particulate matter

In case of extractive CEMs with isokinetic sampling, the extraction shall be in accordance with the requirements of EN 13284-1. In case of non-isokinetic extraction the test laboratory shall assess this influence at a plant with variations in the flow or in a wind tunnel. For CEMs which measure the mass directly, the extraction flow rate shall be measured within an uncertainty of 2 %.

14 Measurement uncertainty

The values of the uncertainties determined during the field and laboratory test shall be used to determine the combined standard uncertainty of the CEM measured values according to EN ISO 14956. When calculating the combined standard uncertainty, the repeatability in the laboratory or the reproducibility in the field shall be used, whatever is greater.

Note: In addition to the uncertainty contribution from the tested CEM, EN ISO 14956 also takes into account the uncertainty of external input quantities (for example measured values from the peripheral instruments on the site used for conversion to standard conditions) when the combined standard uncertainty is calculated according to Equation (4) of EN ISO 14956.

Annex D provides a method of the uncertainty determination. The total uncertainty of the CEM determined from the tests according this standard should be at least 25 % below the maximum permissible uncertainty specified, for example in applicable regulations. A sufficient margin for the uncertainty contribution from the individual installation of the CEM is necessary to pass QAL2 and QAL3 of EN 14181 successfully. The test laboratory shall report the total combined uncertainty in relation to the maximum permissible uncertainty specified, for example in applicable regulations for the intended application.

15 Test report

The test report shall provide a comprehensive and detailed account of the testing and CEM performance. Annex E specifies requirements for a test report.

Note: The test report is part of the documentation of the certified CEM.

Annex A – Standard reference methods

(Informative)

Table A.1 — Standard reference methods¹

Measured component	Standard	Issued
Particulate matter	EN 13284-1	2001
Mercury	EN 13211	2001
<i>Inorganic sulphur compounds</i>		
Sulphur dioxide	EN 14791	2005
Hydrogen sulphide	Applicable national standards	
<i>Inorganic nitrogen compounds</i>		
Nitrogen monoxide	EN 14792	2005
Nitrous oxide	ISO 21258	2010
<i>Inorganic carbon compounds</i>		
Carbon monoxide	EN 15058	2005
<i>Inorganic halogenated compounds or halogens</i>		
Hydrogen chloride	EN 1911	2010
Chlorine	Applicable national standards	
Fluorine compounds	Applicable national standards	
Hydrofluoric acid	ISO 15713	2006
<i>Organic measured components</i>		
Hydrocarbons (FID)	EN 12619	2013
GC determination of organic compounds	EN TS 13649	2014
Aliphatic aldehydes C1 to C3	Applicable national standards	
Acrylonitrile	Applicable national standards	
1,3-butadiene	Applicable national standards	
PAH	ISO 11338	2003
Vinyl chloride	Applicable national standards	
<i>General standards</i>		
Calibration and quality assurance of CEMs	EN 14181	2014
Measurement planning	EN 15259	2007
Measuring emissions	EN ISO/IEC 17025 supplemented by EN/TS 15675	2005, 2007
<i>Flow</i>		
Velocity and volumetric flow	EN ISO 16911-1	2013

NOTE 1: A full list of acceptable standard reference methods is available in Environment Agency Technical Guidance Note TGN M2.

Annex B – Interferents

(Normative)

Table B.1 — Concentrations of interferents used during cross sensitivity tests

Interferent	Concentration or volume concentration	
	Value	Unit
O ₂	3 ^A and 21	%
H ₂ O	30	%
CO	300	mg/m ³
CO ₂	15	%
CH ₄	50	mg/m ³
N ₂ O	20	mg/m ³
N ₂ O (fluidised-bed firing)	100	mg/m ³
NO	300	mg/m ³
NO ₂	30	mg/m ³
NH ₃	20	mg/m ³
SO ₂	200	mg/m ³
SO ₂ (coal-fired power stations without desulphurisation)	1000	mg/m ³
HCl	50	mg/m ³
HCl (coal-fired power stations)	200	mg/m ³

Note: A test with 3 % oxygen concentration is used instead of test without interferent.

Annex C — Test for lack-of-fit

(Normative)

C1 Description of the test procedure

In this test procedure, a regression line is established between the instrument readings of the CEM (Y-values) and the reference material values (X-values) during the linearity test performed in Section 10. In the next step, the average of CEM readings at each concentration level is calculated. Then the deviation (residual) of this average to the regression line is calculated.

C2 Establishment of the regression line

A linear regression for the function in equation (C.1) is established:

$$Y_i = a + B(X_i - X_z) \quad (\text{C.1})$$

For the calculation, all measurement points are taken into account. The total number of measuring points (n) is equal to the number of concentration levels (of which there are five, including zero) times the number of repetitions (these are the results of at least three readings) at a particular concentration level. In total, n is at least 18 because at zero at least six repetitions are made.

The coefficient a is obtained by equation (C.2):

$$a = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \quad (\text{C.2})$$

Where:

a is the average value of the Y-values, i.e. the average of the CEM instrument readings;
 Y_i is the individual CEM instrument reading;
 n is the number of measuring points (at least 18).

The coefficient B is obtained by using equation C3:

$$B = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i (X_i - X_z)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - X_z)^2} \quad (\text{C.3})$$

Where:

X_z is the average of the X-values, i.e. the average of the reference material concentrations;
 X_i is the individual value of the reference material concentration.

Secondly the function $Y_i = a + B(X_i - X_z)$ is converted to $Y_i = A + B X_i$ through the calculation of A according to equation (C.4):

$$A = a - B X_z \quad (\text{C.4})$$

C3 Calculation of the residuals of the average concentrations

The residuals of the average concentration at each concentration level to the regression line are calculated as follows:

Calculate at each concentration level the average of the CEM readings at one and the same concentration level c :

$$\bar{Y}_c = \frac{1}{m_c} \sum_{i=1}^{m_c} Y_{c,i} \quad (\text{C.5})$$

Where:

\bar{Y}_c is the average Y -value (CEM reading) at concentration level c ;
 $Y_{c,i}$ is the individual Y -value (CEM reading) at concentration level c ;
 m_c is the number of repetitions at one and the same concentration level c .

Calculate the residual d_c of each average according to equation (C.6):

$$d_c = \bar{Y}_c - (A + Bc) \quad (\text{C.6})$$

Convert d_c in concentration units to a relative unit $d_{c,\text{rel}}$ by dividing d_c by the upper limit of the certification range, c_u :

$$d_{c,\text{rel}} = \frac{d_c}{c_u} 100\% \quad (\text{C.7})$$

Annex D – Determination of uncertainties for QAL1 (Normative)

D1 Calculating the uncertainty of the CEM

The performance criteria in this document are presented as expanded uncertainties. The combined standard uncertainties and expanded uncertainties have to be determined according to the requirements of EN ISO 14956.

Table D.1 shows the uncertainty contributions which are to be combined when determining the combined standard uncertainty u_c . Specific contributions depend on the type of CEM, although some are common to all types of CEM.

Table D1 - Uncertainty contributions

Number <i>i</i>	Performance characteristic	Uncertainty u_i
1	Lack-of-fit	u_L
2	Interference	u_I
3	Span drift from field test	$u_{d,s}$
4	Zero drift from field test	$u_{d,z}$
5	Sensitivity to sample volume flow	u_v
6	Sensitivity to sample pressure	u_{sp}
7	Sensitivity to sample temperature	u_{st}
8	Sensitivity to ambient temperature	u_t
9	Dependence on supply voltage	u_{sv}
10	Repeatability standard deviation at span ^A	$u_s = s_r$
11	Reproducibility under field conditions ^A	$u_D = s_D$
12	Uncertainty of the span test gas	u_{tg}
13	NO _x converter efficiency adjustment	u_{NOx}
14	Variation of response factors (TOC)	$u_{R,TOC}$
15	Excursion of measurement beam	u_{mb}
^A Either the repeatability at span values or the reproducibility under field conditions is used, whichever is the larger.		

If the CEM depends on the regular use of a span test gas for its continued accurate and precise operation – for example, during weekly span checks – then the uncertainty of the test gas shall be included within the calculations. The part of the combined standard uncertainty influenced by the performance characteristics is determined by use of Equation (D.1) and summation of the relevant uncertainty contributions u_i specified in Table E.1:

$$u_c = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N u_i^2} \quad (D.1)$$

The total expanded uncertainty U is determined using Equation (D.2):

$$U = 1.96 u_c \quad (D.2)$$

In the above calculation, most the values of u_i for a parameter i will be determined from test data, where the probability distribution of values is rectangular for most parameters and a normal distribution for a few parameters. The factor 1.96 may only be used if the number of measurements to determine the uncertainty and the number of degrees of freedom is sufficiently high (for example in the case of rectangular distribution).

The standard uncertainties for each performance characteristic (in the case of rectangular distributions) are then calculated according to EN ISO 14956 with Equation (D.3):

$$u(x_i) = \sqrt{\frac{(x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\text{adj}})^2 + (x_{i,\min} - x_{i,\text{adj}}) \times (x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\text{adj}}) + (x_{i,\min} - x_{i,\text{adj}})^2}{3}} \quad (D.3)$$

Where:

$x_{i,\min}$ is the minimum value of the influence quantity X_i during the measuring period;
 $x_{i,\max}$ is the maximum value of the influence quantity X_i during the measuring period;
 $x_{i,\text{adj}}$ is the value of the influence quantity X_i during the adjustment of the CEM.

Equation (D.3) can be simplified in the following three cases:

If the value $x_{i,\text{adj}}$ is at the centre of the interval bounded by the maximum value $x_{i,\max}$ and the minimum value $x_{i,\min}$ of all values x_i , then the standard uncertainty of the values x_i is given by Equation (D.4):

$$u(x_i) = \frac{(x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\min})}{\sqrt{12}} \quad (D.4)$$

If the absolute values of the measured deviation above and below the central value are equal (see equation (E.5)), then the standard uncertainty of the values x_i is given by Equation (E.6):

$$|x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\text{adj}}| = |x_{i,\min} - x_{i,\text{adj}}| = \Delta x_i \quad (D.5)$$

$$u(x_i) = \frac{\Delta x_i}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (D.6)$$

If the value of $x_{i,\text{adj}}$ is the same as either $x_{i,\min}$ or $x_{i,\max}$, then the standard uncertainty of the values x_i is given by Equation (D.7):

$$u(x_i) = \frac{(x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\min})}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (D.7)$$

D2 Default values for influence quantities

When following the requirements of EN ISO 14956, there are two approaches when applying values for influence quantities. The first is to use default values, which simplifies the calculations, but produces a conservative determination of the uncertainty. For example, the values used during performance testing are used, as opposed to the values for a specific plant.

The second approach uses the actual values experienced at a plant. However, in such cases, not

only are the calculations likely to be more complex, but there is also more scope for error. For example, it depends on the user having accurate and precise data for the influence quantities, such as the exact temperature, stack-gas pressure and sample-flow variations, as well as the types and concentration ranges of all interferences in the stack. When using the first approach, Table E.2 shows the default values that are to be used in the first instance when calculating the QAL1 uncertainties. The data for sensitivity coefficients is taken from the performance testing reports.

Table D.2 — Default values for influence quantities

Performance characteristic	Symbol	Default values
Interference (cross-sensitivity)	u_i	Sum of positive or sum of negative deviations, whichever is the greater
Sensitivity to sample volume flow	u_v	Value of sample volume flow, which results in a 2 % deviation of the measured signal relative to the certified range
Sensitivity to sample pressure	u_{sp}	3 kPa
Sensitivity to ambient temperature	u_t	+5 °C to +40 °C, or –20 °C to +50 °C
Dependence on supply voltage	u_{sv}	–15 % to +10 % of 110 V, spanning a 27,5 V change

D3 Example of a QAL1 calculation for a SO₂ CEM

A CEM installed at a refinery combustion process measures SO₂ and has a certified range of 0 mg/m³ to 200 mg/m³. The process falls under the Large Combustion Plant Directive and has an ELV of 100 mg/m³ expressed as a daily average. The zero reading is checked automatically each day whilst span checks are carried out once per week. Table D.2 shows the performance characteristics of the CEM.

Table D.2 — Performance characteristics of a CEM for the QAL1 calculations

Performance characteristic	Test data
Certified range of the CEM	0 mg/m ³ to 200 mg/m ³
Test gas concentration	150 mg/m ³ ±2.0 %
Lack-of-fit	±0.7 % of range
Zero drift	±1.0 % of range in 24 h
Span drift	±2.7 % of range in 24 h
Sensitivity to the sample volume flow	±2.0 % of range at 10 l/h
Sensitivity to stack gas pressure	±0.4 % of range per kPa
Sensitivity to ambient temperature	±1.0 % of range per 10 K
Sensitivity to electric voltage	±0.12 % of range per 10 V
Sensitivity to interferences	±2.1% of range maximum
Standard deviation of repeatability in laboratory at span level	0.8 % of range
Reproducibility under field conditions	0.65 % of range

When calculating the uncertainty, the following should be taken into account:

Default values, rather than field values, have been used for calculating the uncertainty contributions from influence quantities:

- The standard deviation of the reproducibility under field conditions is smaller than the repeatability standard deviation at span values, so reproducibility is not included in the calculations.
- the CEM is dependent on the test gas for continued quality assurance and control, so the uncertainty of the test gas is included in the uncertainty calculations.
- Ordinarily either the influence of stack-gas pressure or the influence of sample-gas flow would be included; in this example, both have been included.
- Table D.4 shows the uncertainty calculations for each applicable performance characteristic, indicating which equation is used.

Lastly, it should be borne in mind that uncertainty calculations such as this example are estimates.

Table D.4 — QAL 1 calculations

Performance characteristic	Standard uncertainty	Value of standard uncertainty mg/m ³	Square of the standard uncertainty
Lack-of-fit	u_L	$\frac{(0.7/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.81$	0.7
Zero drift	$u_{d,z}$	$\frac{(1.0/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 1.15$	1.3
Span drift	$u_{d,s}$	$\frac{(2.7/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 3.12$	9.7
Repeatability standard deviation at span level	u_s	$(0.8/100) \times 200 = 1.60$	2.6
Sensitivity to the sample volume flow	u_v	$\frac{(2.0/100)}{10} \times 200 \times \frac{10}{\sqrt{3}} = 2.31$	5.4
Sensitivity to stack gas pressure	u_{sp}	$(0.4/100) \times 200 = 0.46$	0.2
Sensitivity to ambient temperature	u_t	$\frac{(1.0/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 1.15$	1.3
Sensitivity to electric voltage	u_{sv}	$\frac{(0.12/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.14$	0.02
Sensitivity to interference	u_i	$\frac{(2,1/100) \times 200}{\sqrt{3}} = 2.43$	5.9
Uncertainty of test gas	u_{tg}	$\frac{(2/100) \times 150}{\sqrt{3}} = 1.73$	3.0
Sum	-	-	30.1

The combined uncertainty is calculated using Equation (D.8):

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_c &= \sqrt{u_L^2 + u_I^2 + u_{d,s}^2 + u_{d,z}^2 + u_v^2 + u_{sp}^2 + u_{sv}^2 + u_r^2 + u_t^2 + u_{tg}^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{30.1} \text{ mg/m}^3 \\
 &= 5.5 \text{ mg/m}^3
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{D.8}$$

The expanded uncertainty is then calculated using Equation (E.9):

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= 1.96 \times u_c \\
 &= 1.96 \times 5.5 \text{ mg/m}^3 \\
 &= 10.8 \text{ mg/m}^3
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{D.9}$$

Chapter III of the IED and its associated Annex specify an allowable uncertainty of 20 % of the ELV at 95 % confidence. As the ELV is 100 mg/m³, then the allowable expanded uncertainty is 20 mg/m³. Therefore, the CEM is compliant with these requirements.

Annex E — Template for a performance testing report

(Normative)

- 1 General
 - 1.2.1 Certification proposal
 - 1.2.2 Unambiguous CEM designation
 - 1.2.3 Determinand(s)
 - 1.2.4 Device manufacturer together with full address
 - 1.2.5 Field of application
 - 1.2.6 Measuring range for suitability test
 - 1.2.7 Restrictions

Restrictions shall be formulated if testing shows that the CEM does not cover the full scope of possible application fields.
 - 1.2.8 Notes

In the event of supplementary or extended testing, reference shall be made to all preceding test reports. Attention shall be drawn to main equipment peculiarities.
 - 1.2.9 Test laboratory
 - 1.2.10 Test report number and date of compilation
- 2 Task definition
 - 2.1 Nature of test

First test or supplementary testing.
 - 2.2 Objective

Specification of which performance criteria were tested;
Bibliography;
Scope of any supplementary tests.
- 3 Description of the CEM tested
 - 3.1 Measuring principle

Description of metrological and scientific relationships.
 - 3.2 CEM scope and set-up

Description of all parts of the CEM covered in the scope of testing, if possible including a copy of an illustration or flow diagram showing the CEM. Statement of technical specifications, if appropriate in tabular form.
- 4 Test program

Details shall be provided on the test program, in relation to the CEM under test.
In the case of supplementary or extended testing, the additional scope of testing shall be detailed and substantiated.
Particularities of the test shall be documented.

 - 4.1 Laboratory test / laboratory inspection

Statement of all test steps involved
 - 4.2 Field test

Details on:
- all test steps involved;
- plant type on which the field test examinations were carried out;
- CEM measuring range to be covered in the test;
- installation conditions and operating conditions for the CEM under test.
- 5 Standard reference method

5.1 Method of measurement

It is necessary to specify the SRM employed. Variations from a SRM, as described in European, international or national standards, shall be documented. Only validated methods shall be used and, as such, a statement on validation shall be made. If, in substantiated cases of exception, continuous CEM are used, details shall be provided on the analyser type, manufacturer, measuring range selected and the suitability test applicable to this equipment type. The standard deviation of the standard reference method shall be stated.

5.2 Test stand set-up

Description of the sampling probe, any dust filters used for particle separation in the measurement of gaseous substances, details on the sample gas line (length, material, size) and on sample gas conditioning. If continuous CEM are used, the CEM characteristic shall first be examined in accordance with the specifications given in EN 14181. The certified test gases used for this purpose shall be described in respect of their specifications.

6 Test results

Comparison of the performance criteria placed on continuous emission CEM in the suitability test with the results attained.

The information below shall be stated for each individual test point in the following order of sequence:

Consecutive number and short title of performance criteria as heading.

6.1 Citation of performance criterion

6.2 Equipment

6.3 Method

6.4 Evaluation

6.5 Assessment

6.6 Detailed presentation of test results allowing for the respective section of the documentation

Annex A Values measured and computed

Annex B Operating instructions

The operating instructions should also be enclosed with the report in electronic form (for example as a PDF file).

Annex F — Transportable systems

(Normative)

F1 Definition of a transportable system

A transportable system is a variant of CEM which the manufacturer has designed for periodic use, typically at more than one stack and not for permanent use at any given stack. In contrast, a CEM is typically designed for fixed and permanent use at one stack.

Transportable systems are typically used for:

- regulatory monitoring;
- verifying and calibrating installed CEMs, according to the requirements of BS EN 14181;
- serving as temporary back-up systems when permanent CEMs are not operating.

F2 Performance standards required for transportable systems

A transportable system, when used for regulatory monitoring where the emissions may exceed 50% of the ELV at any time, and for the purpose of QAL2 and AST testing as specified in EN 14181, shall either meet:

- The same performance standards as fixed CEMs, with one exception, which is the field test, or;
- The performance requirements specified in Table F.1. These performance requirements are based on those from standards such as EN 14792.

Transportable systems which meet the requirements in Table F.1 may be used for use within SRMs, but may not be used as back-up systems for CEMs.

F3 Field test requirements for transportable systems

If transportable systems are intended for use as back-up systems to CEMs, then the transportable systems shall undergo a field test according to the requirements of this standard; however, instead of a continuous test of at least three months duration, portable systems shall undergo at least 200 hours of testing. This testing need not be continuous. During the field test, the following specifications shall apply:

- For each eight hours of continuous use excluding start-up and shut-down, the transportable system shall undergo a zero and span check. The allowable zero and span drift shall not exceed 2% of the certification range for zero drift, and not more than 4% of the certification range for span drift.
- The allowable period of continuous use following certification shall not exceed half the maximum period of continuous use during the field trial. The maximum period of continuous use shall be clearly stated on the certificate.

Note: For example, if the longest period of continuous use during the field trial was 48 hours, then the transportable system shall not be used continuously for more than 24 hours at a time. If an operator wishes to use a transportable system as a back-up monitor for a CEM, then the transportable system must be certified for a period of continuous use suitable for the intended application.

Table F.1 – Minimum performance requirements for monitoring

Performance characteristics	Required for testing	Performance criterion ¹	Performance characteristics to be included in calculation of overall uncertainty
Response time	✓	≤ 200 s	
Detection limit	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$	
Lack of fit	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$	✓
Zero drift	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$ / 24 h	✓
Span drift	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$ / 24h	✓
Sensitivity to atmospheric pressure	✓	$\leq \pm 3,0\%$ / 2 kPa	✓
Sensitivity to sample gas pressure	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$ / 3 kPa	✓
Sensitivity to ambient temperature	✓	$\leq \pm 3,0\%$ / 10 K	✓
Sensitivity to electrical voltage	✓	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$ / 10 V	✓
Interferents	✓ ²	Total $\leq \pm 4,0\%$	✓
Losses and leakage in the sampling system		$\leq \pm 2,0\%$ of the measured value	✓
Standard deviation of repeatability in laboratory at zero	✓ ³	$\leq \pm 1,0\%$	✓
Standard deviation of repeatability in laboratory at span level	✓ ³	$\leq \pm 2,0\%$	✓

Note 1: Expressed as percentage of the certification range.

Note 2: All interferents that shall be tested are at least those given in applicable standards for standard reference methods; if there is not a CEN standard reference method for the applicable determinand, then all the interferents specified in EN 15267-3 shall be tested. These interferents and their concentrations are shown in Annex The value of max (algebraic sum of uncertainties producing positive effects on the result, sum of uncertainties producing negative effects) shall be compared with the performance criterion.

Note 3: Only one of these values shall be included in the overall uncertainty calculation: the first possibility is to choose the repeatability standard deviation obtained from laboratory tests corresponding to the closest concentration to the actual concentration in stack, or the higher (relative) standard deviation of repeatability independently of the concentration measured in stack.

Annex G – Classes of particulate-monitoring CEMs - allowable uses

(Informative)

Table G1 – Classes of particulate monitoring CEMs and their allowable uses

Class	1	2	3
Output - Quantitative, output can be calibrated in mg.m^{-3}	✓	✓	✗
Output - Qualitative	✓ ¹	✓ ¹	✓
QAL1 compliant (EN 14181)	✓	✗	✗
Use for installations falling under Chapters III and IV of the IED ²	✓	✗	✗
Use for PPC installations other than those under Chapters III and IV of the IED ² where the emissions may normally exceed 50% of the ELV	✓	✗	✗
Use for PPC installations other than those under Chapters III and IV of the IED ² , where the emissions do not normally exceed 50% of the ELV	✓ ¹	✓	✗
Use for PPC installations where there is no ELV in mg.m^{-3} , to monitor changes in performance of dust-arrestment plant and alarm in the event of failure.	✓ ¹	✓ ¹	✓

¹ Although the classes of monitors may be used for these applications, the performance of the class of monitoring system exceeds the actual requirements.

² Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU). Chapter III applies to large combustion plants whilst Chapter IV applies to waste incineration plants.

G1 The three classes of particulate monitor

- **Class 1** – Particulate monitors used for measuring emissions in mg.m^{-3} . Class 1 monitors meet the requirements of EN 14181, specifically for QAL1 and QAL3. Operators of installations falling under Chapters III and IV of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED), for large combustion plant and incineration respectively, must use Class 1 particulate monitors. Class 1 monitors may also be used on all other PPC installations.
- **Class 2 – Filter Dust Monitors:** Particulate monitors used for measuring emissions in mg.m^{-3} . Class 2 monitors may be used with our agreement on PPC installations other than large combustion plant and incineration where the emissions are normally less than 50% of the emission limit value. Such monitors are used to provide feedback that a process is under control and stable and operating well within the emission limit value.
- **Class 3 – Filter Leakage Monitors:** Dust-arrestment plant-monitors used to monitor change^s in performance of dust-arrestment plant and alarm in the event of failure. They provide an indication of particulate emissions but do not measure emissions in mg.m^{-3} .

Note: Both the performance specifications and test procedures for Class 2 and Class 3 particulate-monitoring CEMs are described in the MCERTS performance standards for the *MCERTS Certification of automated dust arrestment-plant monitors – Performance criteria and test procedures, according to EN 15859*.

Annex H — Calibration of Class 2 and Class 3 particulate monitors

(Informative)

H1 Class 2 CEMs - Procedure for calibrating particulate CEMs when either SRM data or surrogates are valid

A test laboratory should initially apply BS ISO 10155 for calibrating Class 2 CEMs

- If the data is spread over a range with a value which is greater than 15% of the ELV, then the test laboratory shall determine a calibration function and apply this to CEM, according to the requirements of BS ISO 10155.
- If the data is clustered, such that the data is spread over a range with a value which is 15% or less than the ELV, then the CEM should be calibrated by taking an average of the data points, and forcing a calibration line from this average point through zero.
- Test laboratories shall take five samples initially and three samples thereafter. The test laboratory may also combine historical and current data-points in the calibration function, provided that the subsequent data-points lie within the 95% confidence intervals of the calibration function.

The test laboratory may find, however, that it is not possible to determine a meaningful calibration function; for example, when most or all of the reported PM values are at or near zero. If so, then the test laboratory shall do the following *in lieu* of the variability test specified in EN 14181:

- Determine an average and standard deviation for the CEM data and SRM data.
- Compare the averages of the CEM data and SRM by using the 95% confidence interval specified in applicable Directives.
- The results are acceptable if both averages lie within the 95% confidence interval.

H2 Using surrogates – Class 2 CEMs

Surrogates have two roles:

- Calibrating CEMs if this is possible
- Determining stability through zero and span tests.

Although surrogates for PM CEMs are limited and can be inaccurate, they are the best practicable option available if there is insufficient SRM data to calibrate a CEM, but only when the response of the CEM to the surrogate is proportional to a known particulate concentration. However, because of the nature of PM, this is rare.

H3 Setting up CEMs if surrogates cannot be used to calibrate the CEM – Calibration of Class 2 and Class 3 CEMs

There will be situations when calibration is impossible, due to:

- Low clusters of emissions, meaning that the data does not meet the requirements of ISO 10155.
- Surrogates may be useful for zero, span and linearity tests, but the resultant data cannot be meaningfully related to concentrations of particulate.

In such cases, the particulate monitor cannot be used as a quantitative monitor for particulate, but can serve as a qualitative indicator. Therefore if the emissions are consistently low, we recommend that:

- The SRM is used to verify that the emissions are low.
- Surrogates are used to check the linearity, and zero and span settings of the monitor.
- The monitor is set on its most sensitive range, in order to alert the operator when the control devices for particulate may need attention.

This procedure should also be used to set up Class 3 CEMs.

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