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1 General

1.1 Scope

This part of IEC 60384 is applicable to fixed surface mount capacitors for direct current, with metallized electrodes and polyphenylene sulfide dielectric for use in electronic equipment. These capacitors have metallized connecting pads or soldering strips and are intended to be mounted directly onto substrates for hybrid circuits or onto printed boards. These capacitors may have "self-healing properties" depending on conditions of use. They are primarily intended for applications where the a.c. component is small with respect to the rated voltage.

Capacitors for radio interference suppression are not included, but are covered by IEC 60384-14.

1.2 Object

The object of this standard is to prescribe preferred ratings and characteristics and to select from IEC 60384-1, the appropriate quality assessment procedures, tests and measuring methods and to give general performance requirements for this type of capacitor. Test severities and requirements prescribed in detail specifications referring to this sectional specification shall be of equal or higher performance level, lower performance levels are not permitted.

1.3 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable 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.

IEC 60062, *Marking codes for resistors and capacitors*

IEC 60063, *Preferred number series for resistors and capacitors*

IEC 60068-1, *Environmental testing – Part 1: General and guidance*

NOTE For the tests in the IEC 60068 series of publications, the editions referenced in the applicable test clauses of the generic specification are applicable.

IEC 60384-1:1999, *Fixed capacitors for use in electronic equipment – Part 1: Generic specification*

IEC 60410, *Sampling plans and procedures for inspection by attributes*

ISO 3, *Preferred numbers - Series of preferred numbers*

1.4 Information to be given in a detail specification

Detail specifications shall be derived from the relevant blank detail specification.

Detail specifications shall not specify requirements inferior to those of the generic, sectional or blank detail specification. When more severe requirements are included, they shall be listed in 1.9 of the detail specification and indicated in the test schedules, for example by an asterisk.

NOTE The information given in 1.4.1 may for convenience, be presented in tabular form.

The following information shall be given in each detail specification and the values quoted shall preferably be selected from those given in the appropriate clause of this sectional specification.

1.4.1 Outline drawing and dimensions

There shall be an illustration of the capacitor as an aid to easy recognition and for comparison of the capacitor with others. Dimensions and their associated tolerances, which affect interchangeability and mounting, shall be given in the detail specification. All dimensions shall preferably be stated in millimetres, however, when the original dimensions are given in inches, the converted metric dimensions in millimetres shall be added.

Normally the numerical values shall be given for the length, width and height of the body. When necessary, for example when a number of items (sizes and capacitance/voltage ranges) is covered by a detail specification, the dimensions and their associated tolerances shall be placed in a table below the drawing.

When the configuration is other than described above, the detail specification shall state such dimensional information as will adequately describe the capacitor.

1.4.2 Mounting

The detail specification shall give guidance on methods of mounting for normal use. Mounting for test and measurement purposes (when required) shall be in accordance with 4.1.

1.4.3 Ratings and characteristics

The ratings and characteristics shall be in accordance with the relevant clauses of this specification, together with the following.

1.4.3.1 Rated capacitance range

See 2.2.1.

NOTE When products approved to the detail specification have different ranges, the following statement should be added: "The range of capacitance values available in each voltage range is given on the IEC online service, www.iecq.org/certificates."

1.4.3.2 Particular characteristics

Additional characteristics may be listed, when they are considered necessary to specify adequately the component for design and application purposes.

1.4.3.3 Soldering

The detail specification shall prescribe the test methods, severities and requirements applicable for the solderability and the resistance to soldering heat tests.

1.4.4 Marking

The detail specification shall specify the content of the marking on the capacitor and on the package. Deviations from 1.6 shall be specifically stated.

1.5 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document and in addition to the applicable terms and definitions of IEC 60384-1 the following definitions apply.

1.5.1

surface mount capacitor

capacitor whose small dimensions and nature or shape of terminations make it suitable for surface mounting in hybrid circuits and on printed boards

1.5.2

performance grade 1 capacitors (long-life)

capacitors for long-life applications with stringent requirements for the electrical parameters

1.5.3

performance grade 2 capacitors (general purpose)

capacitors for general application where the stringent requirements for grade 1 capacitors are not necessary

1.5.4

performance grade 3 capacitors (low power, miniature type)

miniature type capacitors having a rated voltage of less than 63 V and for which less stringent requirements than for grade 2 capacitors are acceptable

1.5.5

rated voltage (U_R)

maximum d.c. voltage which may be applied continuously to a capacitor at the rated temperature

NOTE The sum of the d.c. voltage and the peak a.c. voltage applied to the capacitor should not exceed the rated voltage. The value of the peak a.c. voltage should not exceed the following percentages of the rated voltage at the frequencies stated and should not be greater than 280 V,

50 Hz:	20 %
100 Hz:	15 %
1 000 Hz:	3 %
10 000 Hz:	1 %

unless otherwise specified in the detail specification.

1.6 Marking

See 2.4 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details:

1.6.1 The information given in the marking is normally selected from the following list. The relative importance of each item is indicated by its position in the list:

- rated capacitance (in clear or code according to IEC 60062);
- rated voltage (d.c. voltage may be indicated by the symbol --- or —);
- tolerance on rated capacitance;
- category voltage;
- year and month (or week) of manufacture;
- manufacturer's name or trade mark;
- climatic category;
- manufacturer's type designation;

i) reference to the detail specification.

1.6.2 Surface mount capacitors are generally not marked on the body. If some marking can be applied, they shall be clearly marked with as many as possible of the above items as is considered useful. Any duplication of information in the marking on the capacitor should be avoided.

1.6.3 Any marking shall be legible and not easily smeared or removed by rubbing with the finger.

1.6.4 The package containing the capacitor(s) shall be clearly marked with all the information listed in 1.6.1.

1.6.5 Any additional marking shall be so applied that no confusion can arise.

2 Preferred ratings and characteristics

2.1 Preferred characteristics

The values given in detail specifications shall preferably be selected from the following:

2.1.1 Preferred climatic categories

The surface mount capacitors covered by this specification are classified into climatic categories according to the general rules given in IEC 60068-1.

The lower and upper category temperature and the duration of the damp heat, steady state test shall be chosen from the following:

Lower category temperature:	–55 °C, –40 °C and –25 °C.
Upper category temperature:	+100 °C, +105 °C, +125 °C and +155 °C.
Duration of the damp heat, steady state test:	4, 10, 21 and 56 days.

NOTE With continuous operation at 155 °C in excess of the endurance test time, accelerated ageing has to be considered (see detail specification).

The severities for the cold and dry heat tests are the lower and upper category temperatures respectively.

2.2 Preferred values of ratings

2.2.1 Rated capacitance (C_R)

Preferred values of rated capacitance are:

1 – 1,5 – 2,2 – 3,3 – 4,7 and 6,8 and their decimal multiples.

These values conform to the E6 series of preferred values given in IEC 60063.

If other values are required they shall preferably be chosen from the E12 series.

2.2.2 Tolerance on rated capacitance

The preferred tolerances on the rated capacitance are $\pm 5\%$, $\pm 10\%$ and $\pm 20\%$.

2.2.3 Rated voltage (U_R)

The preferred values of rated voltage are: 10 – 16 – 25 – 40 – 50 – 63 – 100 – 160 – 250 – 400 V. These values conform to the basic series of preferred values R5 given in ISO 3.

2.2.4 Category voltage (U_C)

The category voltage is:

0,8 U_R for upper category temperature 125 °C and

0,5 U_R for upper category temperature 155 °C, when rated temperature is 100 °C.

0,8 U_R for upper category temperature 125 °C and

0,5 U_R for upper category temperature 155 °C, when rated temperature is 105 °C.

2.2.5 Rated temperature

The standard value of rated temperature is 100 °C or 105 °C.

3 Quality assessment procedures

3.1 Primary stage of manufacture

The primary stage of manufacture is the winding of the capacitor element or the equivalent operation.

3.2 Structurally similar components

Capacitors considered as being structurally similar are capacitors produced with similar processes and materials, though they may be of different case sizes and capacitance and voltage values.

3.3 Certified records of released lots

The information required in 3.5.1 of IEC 60384-1 shall be made available when prescribed in the detail specification and when requested by a purchaser. After the endurance test the parameters for which variables information is required are the capacitance, $\tan \delta$ and the insulation resistance.

3.4 Qualification approval

The procedures for qualification approval testing are given in 3.5 of IEC 60384-1.

The schedule to be used for Qualification approval testing on the basis of lot-by-lot and periodic tests is given in 3.5. The procedure using a fixed sample size schedule is given in 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 below.

3.4.1 Qualification approval on the basis of the fixed sample size procedure

Sampling

The fixed sample size procedure is described in 3.5.3 b) of IEC 60384-1. The sample shall be representative of the range of capacitors for which approval is sought. This may or may not be the complete range covered by the detail specification.

The sample shall consist of specimens having the lowest and highest voltages, and for these voltages the lowest and highest capacitances. When there are more than four rated voltages an intermediate voltage shall also be tested. Thus, for the approval of a range, testing is

required of either four or six values (capacitance/voltage combinations). When the range consists of less than four values, the number of specimens to be tested shall be that required for four values.

Spare specimens are permitted as follows:

Two (for six values) or three (for four values) per value which may be used as replacements for specimens which are non-conforming because of incidents not attributable to the manufacturer.

The numbers given in Group 0 assume that all groups are applicable. If this is not so the numbers may be reduced accordingly.

When additional groups are introduced into the Qualification approval test schedule, the number of specimens required for Group 0 shall be increased by the same number as that required for the additional groups.

Table 1 gives the number of samples to be tested in each group or subgroup together with the permissible number of non-conforming items for qualification approval tests.

3.4.2 Tests

The complete series of tests specified in Tables 1 and 2 are required for the approval of capacitors covered by one detail specification. The tests of each group shall be carried out in the order given.

The whole sample shall be subjected to the tests of Group 0 and then divided for the other groups.

Non-conforming specimens found during the tests of Group 0 shall not be used for the other groups.

"One non-conforming item" is counted when a capacitor has not satisfied the whole or a part of the tests of a group.

The approval is granted when the number of non-conformances does not exceed the specified number of permissible non-conforming items for each group or subgroup and the total number of permissible non-conformances.

NOTE Tables 1 and 2 together form the fixed sample size test schedule. Table 1 includes the details for the sampling and permissible non-conforming items for the different tests or groups of tests. Table 2 together with the details of test contained in Clause 4 gives a complete summary of test conditions and performance requirements and indicates where, for example for the test method or conditions of test, a choice has to be made in the detail specification.

The conditions of test and performance requirements for the fixed sample size test schedule shall be identical to those prescribed in the detail specification for quality conformance inspection.

**Table 1 – Fixed sample size test plan for qualification approval –
Assessment level EZ**

Group No.	Test	Subclause of this publication	Number of specimens <i>n</i> ^a	Permissible number of non-conforming items <i>c</i>
0	Visual examination	4.2	144	0
	Dimensions	4.2		
	Capacitance	4.3.2		
	Tangent of loss angle	4.3.3		
	Voltage proof	4.3.1		
	Insulation resistance	4.3.4		
	Spare specimens		12	
1A	Resistance to soldering heat	4.6	12	0
	Component solvent resistance ^b	4.13		
1B	Solderability	4.7	12	0
	Solvent resistance of the marking ^b	4.14		
2	Bond strength of the end face plating	4.5	12	0
3	Mounting	4.1	108	<i>c</i>
	Visual examination	4.2.1		
	Capacitance	4.3.2		
	Tangent of loss angle	4.3.3		
	Insulation resistance	4.3.4		
	Adhesion	4.4	24	0
	Rapid change of temperature	4.8		
	Climatic sequence	4.9	24	0
	Damp heat, steady state	4.10		
	Endurance	4.11	36	0
3.4	Charge and discharge	4.12	24	0
^a Capacitance/voltage combinations, see 3.4.1. ^b If required by the detail specification. ^c Specimens found defective after mounting shall not be taken into account when calculating the permissible non-conforming items for the following tests. They shall be replaced by spare parts.				

Table 2 – Test schedule for qualification approval

Subclause number and test ^a	D or ND ^b	Conditions of test ^a	Number of specimens (<i>n</i>) and number of permissible non-conformances (<i>c</i>)	Performance requirements ^a
Group 0	ND		See Table 1	
4.2.1 Visual examination				As in 4.2.2
4.2 Dimensions (detail)				Legible marking and as specified in the detail specification
4.3.2 Capacitance		Frequency: 1 kHz		See detail specification
4.3.3 Tangent of loss angle				Within specified tolerance
4.3.1 Voltage proof		See detail specification for the method		As in 4.3.3.2
4.3.4 Insulation resistance				No breakdown or flashover. Self-healing breakdowns allowed
				As in 4.3.4.3
Group 1A	D		See Table 1	
4.6 Resistance to soldering heat		Capacitance		
4.6.1 Initial measurements		Method 1, 2 or as specified in the detail specification		
4.6.2 Test conditions		Duration: 5 s ± 0,5 s or 10 s ± 1 s as specified in the detail specification		
		If Method 1 is applied, immersion and withdrawal speed shall be 25 mm/s ± 2,5 mm/s		
		Recovery: 24 h ± 2 h		
4.6.3 Final measurements		Visual examination		As in 4.6.3
		Capacitance		
4.13 Component solvent resistance (if applicable)		Solvent: ...		$\Delta C/C \leq 2\%$ of value measured in 4.6.1, however, $\leq 3\%$ for Grade 3
		Solvent temperature: ...		See detail specification
		Method 2		
		Recovery time: ...		
Group 1B	D		See Table 1	
4.7 Solderability		No ageing		
		Method 1 or 2 as specified in the detail specification		
4.7.2 Final measurements		Visual examination		As in 4.7.2
4.14 Solvent resistance of the marking ^c (if applicable)		Solvent:...		Legible marking
		Solvent temperature:...		
		Method 1		
		Rubbing material: cotton wool		
		Recovery:...		

Table 2 (continued)

Subclause number and test ^a	D or ND ^b	Conditions of test ^a	Number of specimens (<i>n</i>) and number of permissible non-conformances (<i>c</i>)	Performance requirements ^a
Group 2	D		See Table 1	
4.5 Bond strength of the end face plating				
4.5.1 Initial measurements		Capacitance		
4.5.2 Final inspection		Capacitance (with board in bent position)		$\Delta C/C$ for Grade 1 and Grade 2: $\leq 2\%$, Grade 3: $\leq 5\%$ of value measured in 4.5.1. No visible damage
		Visual examination		
Group 3	D		See Table 1	
4.1 Mounting		Substrate material: ... ^d		
4.2.1 Visual examination				See detail specification
4.3.2 Capacitance				$\Delta C/C$ for Grade 1 and Grade 2: $\leq 2\%$, Grade 3: $\leq 3\%$ of value measured in Group 0.
4.3.3 Tangent of loss angle		Frequency: 1 kHz (for all capacitance values) 10 kHz for capacitors with $C_R \leq 1 \mu F$ (in addition, see 4.3.3.3)		As in 4.3.3 (Reference values for final measurements in subgroups 3.1, 3.3 and 3.4)
4.3.4 Insulation resistance				As in 4.3.4.3
Subgroup 3.1	D		See Table 1	
4.4 Adhesion				
4.4.1 Intermediate inspection		Visual examination		No visible damage
4.8 Rapid change of temperature				
4.8.1 Initial measurements		Not required, see Group 3		
4.8.2 Test conditions		T_A = Lower category temperature T_B = Upper category temperature Five cycles Duration $t_1 = 30$ min		
4.8.3 Intermediate inspection		Visual examination		No visible damage
4.9 Climatic sequence				
4.9.1 Initial measurements		Not required, see Group 3		
4.9.2 Dry heat		Temperature: upper category temperature Duration: 16 h		
4.9.3 Damp heat, cyclic, test Db, first cycle				
4.9.4 Cold		Temperature: lower category temperature Duration: 2 h		

Table 2 (continued)

Subclause number and test ^a	D or ND ^b	Conditions of test ^a	Number of specimens (<i>n</i>) and number of permissible non-conformances (<i>c</i>)	Performance requirements ^a
4.9.5 Damp heat, cyclic, test Db, remaining cycles 4.9.6 Final measurements		Within 15 min after removal from test chamber U_R to be applied for 1 min Visual examination Capacitance Tangent of loss angle: at 10 kHz for $C_R \leq 1 \mu F$ at 1 kHz for $C_R > 1 \mu F$ Insulation resistance	See Table 1	No visible damage Legible marking $\Delta C/C$ for Grade 1 and Grade 2: $\leq 3 \%$, Grade 3: $\leq 5 \%$ of value measured in Group 3. Increase of $\tan \delta$: $\leq 0,0025$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,004$ for Grade 2 $\leq 0,005$ for Grade 3 $\leq 0,0015$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,0025$ for Grade 2 $\leq 0,003$ for Grade 3 compared to values measured in Group 3 $\geq 50 \%$ of values in 4.3.4.3 however, $\geq 25 \%$ for Grade 3
Subgroup 3.2 4.10 Damp heat, steady state 4.10.1 Initial measurements 4.10.2 Final measurements	D	Not required, see Group 3 Recovery:.... Visual examination Capacitance Tangent of loss angle at 1 Hz Insulation resistance	See Table 1	No visible damage $\Delta C/C$ for Grade 1 and Grade 2: $\leq 3 \%$, Grade 3: $\leq 5 \%$ of value measured in Group 3. Increase of $\tan \delta$: $\leq 0,0025$ compared to values measured in Group 3 $\geq 50 \%$ of values in 4.3.4.3, however, $\geq 25 \%$ for Grade 3
Subgroup 3.3 4.11 Endurance 4.11.1 Initial measurements 4.11.2 Test conditions 4.11.5 Final measurements		Not required, see Group 3 See 4.11.2, 4.11.3 and 4.11.4 Visual examination Capacitance Tangent of loss angle: at 10 kHz for $C_R \leq 1 \mu F$ at 1 kHz for $C_R > 1 \mu F$	See Table 1	No visible damage Legible marking $\Delta C/C \leq 5 \%$ for Grade 1 $\Delta C/C \leq 8 \%$ for Grade 2 and Grade 3 compared to measurements in Group 3 Increase of $\tan \delta$: $\leq 0,003$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,005$ for Grade 2 and Grade 3 $\leq 0,002$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,003$ for Grade 2 and Grade 3 compared to values measured in Group 3

Table 2 (continued)

Subclause number and test ^a	D or ND ^b	Conditions of test ^a	Number of specimens (<i>n</i>) and number of permissible non-conformances (<i>c</i>)	Performance requirements ^a
		Insulation resistance		≥50 % of values in 4.3.4.3 however ≥30 % for Grade 3
Subgroup 3.4	D		See Table 1	
4.12 Charge and discharge				
4.12.1 Initial measurement		Not required, see Group 3		
4.12.2 Test conditions		10 000 cycles		
4.12.3 Final measurements		Capacitance		$\Delta C/C \leq 3\%$ for Grade 1 $\Delta C/C \leq 5\%$ for Grade 2 compared to value measured in Group 3 Increase of $\tan \delta$: $\leq 0,003$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,005$ for Grade 2 $\leq 0,002$ for Grade 1 $\leq 0,003$ for Grade 2 compared to values measured in Group 3
		Tangent of loss angle: at 10 kHz for $C_R \leq 1 \mu F$ at 1 kHz for $C_R > 1 \mu F$		
		Insulation resistance		≥50 % of values in 4.3.4.3, however, ≥30 % for Grade 3
^a Subclause numbers of test and performance requirements refer to Clause 4. ^b In this table: D = destructive, ND = non-destructive. ^c This test may be carried out on surface mount capacitors on a substrate. ^d When different substrate materials are used for the individual subgroups, the detail specification shall indicate which substrate material is used in each subgroup.				

3.5 Quality conformance inspection

3.5.1 Formation of inspection lots

a) Groups A and B inspection

These tests shall be carried out on a lot-by-lot basis.

A manufacturer may aggregate the current production into inspection lots subject to the following safeguards.

- 1) The inspection lot shall consist of structurally similar capacitors (see 3.2).
- 2a) The sample tested shall be representative of the values and dimensions contained in the inspection lot:
 - in relation to their number;
 - with a minimum of five of any one value.
- 2b) If there are less than five of any one value in the sample the basis for the drawing of samples shall be agreed between the manufacturer and the National Supervising Inspectorate.

b) Group C inspection

Samples shall be representative of the current production of the specified periods and shall be divided into small, medium and large sizes. In order to cover the range of approvals in any period, one voltage shall be tested from each group of sizes. In subsequent periods, other sizes and/or voltage ratings in production shall be tested with the aim of covering the whole range.

The schedule for the lot-by-lot and periodic tests for quality conformance inspection is given in Clause 2, Table 4 of the blank detail specification, for example, IEC 60384-20-1.

When according to the procedures of 3.10 of IEC 60384-1, re-inspection has to be made, solderability and capacitance shall be checked as specified in Group A and B inspection.

The assessment level(s) given in the blank detail specification shall preferably be selected from the following Tables 3 and 4.

Inspection subgroup ^b	D ^c			EZ			F ^c			G ^c		
	<i>IL</i> ^a	<i>n</i> ^a	<i>c</i> ^a	<i>IL</i> ^a	<i>n</i> ^a	<i>c</i> ^a	<i>IL</i> ^a	<i>n</i> ^a	<i>c</i> ^a	<i>IL</i> ^a	<i>n</i> ^a	<i>c</i> ^a
A0					100 % ^d							
A1				S-3	e	0						
A2				S-3	e	0						
B1				S-3	e	0						
B2				S-3	e	0						

^a *IL* = inspection level
n = sample size
c = permissible number of non-conforming items

^b The content of the inspection subgroup is described in Clause 2 of the relevant blank detail specification.

^c The assessment levels D, F and G are under consideration.

^d 100 % testing shall be followed by re-inspection by sampling in order to monitor outgoing quality level by non-conforming items per million (ppm). The sampling level shall be established by the manufacturer. For the calculation of ppm values any parametric failure shall be counted as a non-conforming item. In case one or more non-conforming items occur in a sample, this lot shall be rejected.

^e Number to be tested: sample size as directly allotted to the code letter for *IL* in Table 2a of IEC 60410 (Single sampling plan for normal inspection).

Table 4 – Periodic tests

Inspection subgroup ^b	D ^c			EZ			F ^c			G ^c		
	P^a	n^a	c^a	P^a	n^a	c^a	P^a	n^a	c^a	P^a	n^a	c^a
C1				3	12	0						
C2				3	12	0						
C3.1				6	27	0						
C3.2				6	15	0						
C3.3				3	15	0						
C3.4				6	9	0						
^a p = periodicity in months n = sample size c = permissible number of non-conforming items ^b The content of the inspection subgroup is described in Clause 2 of the relevant blank detail specification. ^c The assessment levels D, F and G are under consideration.												

4 Test and measurement procedures

This clause supplements the information given in Clause 4 of IEC 60384-1.

4.1 Mounting

See 4.33 of IEC 60384-1.

4.2 Visual examination and check of dimensions

See 4.4 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details.

4.2.1 Visual examination

Visual examination shall be carried out with suitable equipment with approximately 10× magnification and lighting appropriate to the specimen under test and the quality level required.

NOTE The operator should have available facilities for incident or transmitted illumination as well as an appropriate measuring facility.

4.2.2 Requirements

The surface mount capacitors shall be examined to verify that the materials, design, construction, physical dimensions and workmanship are in accordance with the applicable requirements given in the detail specification.

4.3 Electrical tests

4.3.1 Voltage proof

See 4.6 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details.

4.3.1.1 Test circuit

Delete the capacitor C_1 .

The product of R_1 and the rated capacitance C_X shall be smaller than, or equal to, 1 s and greater than 0,01 s.

R_1 includes the internal resistance of the power supply.

R_2 shall limit the discharge current to a value equal to or less than 1 A.

4.3.1.2 The following voltages shall be applied between the measuring points of Table 1 of IEC 60384-1 for a period of 1 min for qualification approval testing and for a period of 1 s for the lot-by-lot quality conformance testing.

Table 5 – Test voltages

Measuring point	Test voltage
1a)	Grade 1: 1,6 U_R
	Grade 2: 1,4 U_R
	Grade 3: 1,4 U_R

4.3.1.3 Requirement

There shall be no breakdown or flashover during the test.

NOTE The occurrence of self-healing breakdowns during the application of the test voltages is allowed.

4.3.2 Capacitance

See 4.7 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details.

4.3.2.1 The capacitance shall be measured at, or corrected to, a frequency of 1 000 Hz. For rated capacitance values $\geq 10 \mu\text{F}$, 50 Hz to 120 Hz may be used.

The applied peak voltage at 1 000 Hz shall not exceed 3 % of the rated voltage, and the applied peak voltage at 50 Hz to 120 Hz shall not exceed 20 % of the rated voltage with a maximum of 100 V (70 V r.m.s.).

4.3.2.2 The capacitance shall be within the specified tolerance.

4.3.3 Tangent of loss angle ($\tan \delta$)

See 4.8 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details.

4.3.3.1 Measuring conditions for measurements at 1 000 Hz

Tan δ shall be measured as follows:

- frequency: 1 000 Hz
- peak voltage: ≤ 3 % of the rated voltage
- inaccuracy: $\leq 10 \times 10^{-4}$ (absolute value)

4.3.3.2 Requirement for measurements at 1 000 Hz

Tan δ shall not exceed the applicable values shown in the following table.

Table 6 – Tangent of loss angle limits

Rated capacitance	Tan δ (absolute value)	
μF	Grade 1 capacitors	Grade 2 capacitors
≤ 1	0,002	0,004
> 1	0,004	0,004

4.3.3.3 Measuring conditions for measurements at 10 kHz

For capacitors with $C_R \leq 1 \mu\text{F}$, tan δ shall be measured in addition when required in Table 2 for certain tests:

- frequency: 10 kHz
- voltage: 1 V r.m.s.
- inaccuracy: $\leq 10 \times 10^{-4}$ (absolute value)

4.3.4 Insulation resistance

See 4.5 of IEC 60384-1, with the following details.

4.3.4.1 Prior to the test, capacitors shall be carefully cleaned to remove any contamination. Care shall be taken to maintain cleanliness in the test chambers and during post-test measurements.

4.3.4.2 Before the measurement, the capacitors shall be fully discharged. The product of the resistance of the discharge circuit and the rated capacitance of the capacitor under test shall be $\geq 0,01$ s or any other value prescribed in the detail specification.

4.3.4.3 The measuring voltage shall be in accordance with 4.5.2 of IEC 60384-1.

The voltage shall be applied immediately at the correct value through the internal resistance of the voltage source.

The product of the internal resistance and the rated capacitance of the capacitor shall be smaller than 1 s or any other value prescribed in the detail specification.

The insulation resistance shall meet the following requirements.

Table 7 – Requirements insulation resistance

Measuring points in accordance with Table 1 of 4.5.2 of IEC 60384-1	Minimal <i>RC</i> product (<i>R</i> = insulation resistance between the terminations) (<i>C</i> = rated capacitance <i>C_R</i>)					Minimum insulation resistance between the terminations				
	s					MΩ				
	<i>C_R</i> > 0,33 μF					<i>C_R</i> ≤ 0,33 μF				
	Rated voltage:									
	>100 V		≤100 V		<63 V	>100 V		≤100 V		<63 V
1a)	Grade:									
	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3
	10 000	2 500	5 000	1 250	1 000	30 000	7 500	15 000	3 750	3 000