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Foreword

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Introduction

Performance demonstration establishes the ability of a specific examination system (i.e. equipment, procedures and personnel) to achieve a desirable level of performance. The pre-established criteria for acceptable performance are based on an industry obtaining desired test results on qualification specimens with or without discontinuities including an established acceptable false call rate using qualified procedures and equipment.

NOTE Wherever gender specific words such as “his”, “her”, “he” or “she” appear in this Technical Specification the other gender is also applicable.

Non-destructive testing — Performance-based qualification

1 Scope

This Technical Specification provides a method for qualification of non-destructive testing (NDT) personnel, procedures, and equipment for specific non-destructive tests conducted in accordance with documented procedures established within a performance-based qualification programme.

Implementation of this Technical Specification requires cooperation between applicable industry sector committees (ISCs) and qualification bodies to ensure that specific performance expectations are addressed.

The qualification methodology described in this Technical Specification is based upon the ability of a candidate to demonstrate capability in detecting and sizing critical discontinuities equivalent to those to be detected and sized in the performance-based qualification programme as established by the ISC.

It is possible that second party (employer-based) qualification and approval (e.g. in accordance with ANSI/ASNT CP-189^[3]) or qualification and third party certification (e.g. in accordance with ISO 9712^[1] or EN 473^[2]), followed by on-the-job training does not provide the required degree of confidence for safety critical inspections, and this Technical Specification provides criteria to assist in preparing an individual for performance-based qualification examinations.

Qualification to this Technical Specification is limited to the specific applications, using the specific documented procedure in the performance-based qualification programme.

2 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.

ISO/IEC 17024, *Conformity assessment — General requirements for bodies operating certification of persons*