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**Semiconductor devices – Mechanical and climatic test methods –  
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- a) revision to Clause 4 Equipment by a complete rewriting of Clause 3 Terms and definitions;
- b) additional variant – ‘adhesive tape pull test’.

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# SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES – MECHANICAL AND CLIMATIC TEST METHODS –

## Part 9: Permanence of marking

### 1 Scope

The purpose of this part of IEC 60749 is to determine whether the marks on solid state semiconductor devices will remain legible when subjected to the application and removal of labels or the use of solvents and cleaning solutions commonly used during the removal of solder flux residue from the printed circuit board manufacturing process.

This test is applicable for all package types. It is suitable for use in qualification and/or process monitor testing. The test is considered non-destructive. Electrical or mechanical rejects can be used for the purpose of this test.

NOTE 1 This procedure does not apply to laser branded packages.

Many available solvents that could be used are either not sufficiently active, too stringent, or even dangerous to humans when in direct contact or when fumes are inhaled.

NOTE 2 The composition of solvents used in this document is considered typical and representative of the desired stringency as far as the usual coatings and markings are concerned.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purpose of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

#### 3.1

##### **solvent A**

mixture consisting of the following:

- one part by volume of isopropyl alcohol;
- three parts by volume of volatile petroleum spirits with a flash point greater than 60 °C, or
- three parts by volume of a mixture of 80 % by volume of kerosene and 20 % by volume of ethylbenzene

Note 1 to entry: The solvent should be maintained at a temperature of 20 °C to 30 °C.

#### 3.2

##### **solvent B**

semi-aqueous based solvent, (defluxer), e.g. a terpene, aliphatic hydrocarbons, high molecular weight alcohols, etc., or any equivalent national environmental agency-approved HCFC (hydrochlorofluorocarbon), terpene or demonstrated equivalent