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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition published in 2009. This edition constitutes a technical revision.

This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) new definition for *ELIM*, *ATPV* and *EBT* as used in accordance with IEC 61482-1-1:–;
- b) new requirements for the thermal stability of the intermediate layers;
- c) additional material requirement for volume resistance;
- d) new test procedure for the thermal resistance of sewing threads;

e) new symbol for marking.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61482 is applicable to *protective clothing* used in work where there is the risk of exposure to an *electric arc hazard*.

This document specifies requirements and test methods applicable to *materials* and *garments* for *protective clothing* for electrical workers against the thermal hazards of an *electric arc*.

Electric shock hazard is not covered by this document, which is applicable in combination with standards covering such hazards.

Other effects than the thermal effects of an *electric arc* like noise, light emissions, pressure rise, hot oil, electric shock, the consequences of physical and mental shock or toxic influences are not covered by this document.

Protection of eyes, face, head, hands and feet against *electric arc hazard* is not covered by this document.

NOTE Requirements and tests to cover *electric arc hazards* to these parts of the body are under development.

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IEC 61477, *Live working – Minimum requirements for the utilization of tools, devices and equipment*